

**Texas Council of International Studies (TCIS)  
Board  
Virtual Board Meeting  
July 27, 2020**

**Presiding**

Karen Phillips

**Members Present**

Dr. Dolph Briscoe

Ms. Karen Phillips

Dr. Bill Thomas

Mr. Ted Williams

**Members Absent**

Mr. Walter Sorensen

**Legal Counsel Present**

Janet Bubert

**Staff Members Present**

Ms. Margaret Davis, Chief Executive Officer

Dr. Courtney Gober, TCIS San Antonio Liaison

**Others Present**

Linda Buie, Secretary of the TCIS Board

**Meeting Called to Order**

- Board President, Karen Phillips, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. and established a quorum. Phillips established the quorum with a roll call.

**Recognitions**

- Karen Phillips introduced and recognized the new TCIS counsel, Janet Buber, and welcomed her to the team.
- Phillips also recognized Dr. Courtney Gober, TCIS San Antonio Liaison

**Public Form**

No comments sent to the TCIS Board.

**Information and Discussion Items**

**Margaret Davis**

- Texas IB Schools Virtual College Fair website update
  - The website has had over 300 hits within the last few days
  - The website has been getting approximately 400 hits per week
  - Ms. Davis thanked the Board for its partnership with Texas IB Schools to host the Virtual College Fair.

- Mr. Karen Phillips stated it was an excellent partnership between Texas IB Schools and Texas Council of International Studies
- The website will remain up through the end of the fall because of the large response.
- TCIS website update
  - The TCIS website has had over 500 hits recently
  - After the website had hits, there was a 98% rate of visitors exploring the site.
  - There has been an increased interest in the TCIS organization

### **Action Items (Consent Agenda)**

- Approval of the Action Items (Consent Agenda)
  - TCIS Board minutes of June 23, 2020
  - TCIS June budget report

Dr. Dolph Briscoe made the motion to approve the Action Items on the consent agenda, and Dr. Bill Thomas seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approval Action Items**

- Approval of resolution to approve the contract with Longview ISD as amended by the Texas Education Agency
  - Contract submitted to TEA
  - Capacity interview was held
  - TEA reviewed and made changes
    - Added provision that TCIS could opt out of Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) and select a different assessment
    - Changed date of contract with Longview ISD to August 10, 2020
    - Added back into the contract the provision that should there be funds remaining from the contracted services with the District those funds will be refunded to the schools

Dr. Bill Thomas moved that the TCIS Board approve the resolution to approve the amended contract with Longview Independent School District. Dr. Dolph Briscoe seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **Next Scheduled Board Meeting**

The next Board meeting for Texas Council of International Studies will be held on November 16, 2020.

Ms. Karen Phillips adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

July 27, 2020




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Linda Buie, TCIS Board Secretary

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
TEXAS COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, INC.**

July 27, 2020

The undersigned, constituting all of the Board of Directors of Texas Council for International Studies, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation (the “Corporation”), approved by the Secretary of State of the State of Texas and on file with the Secretary of State and the Corporation, hereby affirm compliance with Texas Open Meetings Act regulations, adopt the following resolutions, effective as of July 27, 2020

WHEREAS, Texas Council for International Studies (“TCIS”) seeks to provide access to an International Baccalaureate® (IB) education for students exclusive of their economic resources or geographic location; and

WHEREAS, TCIS seeks to achieve its mission of expanding access to an IB education through 1882 partnerships with Texas public school districts; and

WHEREAS, TCIS submitted an 1882 partnership application to the Longview Independent School District (LISD); and

WHEREAS, LISD has accepted the TCIS partnership application; and

WHEREAS, LISD and TCIS reached a partnership agreement; and

WHEREAS, the said partnership agreement has been amended, restated, and approved by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) subject to technical modifications to the partnership agreement; and

WHEREAS, the date shown in Paragraph 1.05 of the partnership agreement as amended, restated and approved by TEA has passed; and

WHEREAS, language clarifying reimbursement to TCIS should the annual costs for services provided by LISD be lower than the estimated cost was included in earlier drafts and appears to be inadvertently omitted from the partnership agreement; and

WHEREAS, LISD and TCIS may agree to minor modifications in the contract as amended, restated, and approved by TEA; and

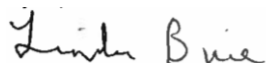
WHEREAS, Dr. Bill Thomas moved to approve the partnership agreement as amended, restated and approved by TEA with two revisions: (1) the date in Paragraph 1.05 be changed from July 15, 2020 to August 10, 2020, and (2) “If the Parties determine that the actual cost to the District of providing a service is lower than the estimated cost paid by OP, the District shall reimburse OP for the

difference” be added as the third sentence to Paragraph 14.03.1, and the Board authorizes TCIS CEO to approve any further revisions necessary to accomplish the intent of the parties and obtain final approval by TEA for the amended and restated agreement, and Dr. Dolph Briscoe IV seconded Dr. Thomas’s motion; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of TCIS, having considered such motion and corresponding second, approved the partnership agreement as amended, restated and approved by TEA with two revisions (1) the date in Paragraph 1.05 be changed from July 15, 2020 to August 10, 2020, and (2) “If the Parties determine that the actual cost to the District of providing a service is lower than the estimated cost paid by OP, the District shall reimburse OP for the difference” be added as the third sentence to Paragraph 14.03.1, and Board authorizes TCIS CEO to approve any further revisions necessary to accomplish the intent of the parties and obtain final approval by TEA for the amended and restated agreement, by unanimous vote.

THEREFORE, on the approval of such motion and corresponding second of such motion, the Board of Directors hereby approves the partnership agreement as amended, restated and approved by TEA with two revisions: (1) the date in Paragraph 1.05 be changed from July 15, 2020 to August 10, 2020, and (2) “If the Parties determine that the actual cost to the District of providing a service is lower than the estimated cost paid by OP, the District shall reimburse OP for the difference” be added as the third sentence to Paragraph 14.03.1, and Board authorizes TCIS CEO to approve any further revisions necessary to accomplish the intent of the parties and obtain final approval by TEA for the amended and restated agreement,

EXECUTED EFFECTIVE as of the date first above written.



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Linda Buie, Secretary to the Board