**ARANSAS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATED August 18, 2026**
**11 Highway 35, Rockport, TX 78382**

I. **Declaration of Quorum and Call to Order.**
Meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm, with a quorum of Directors: Matthew Ocker, Kevin Lambert, Janet Hasty, Nikki Yarnall, Micah Hale and Chief Appraiser Ray Presley were present.

II. **Citizens to Be Heard** – none

III. **Public Hearing and possible discussion and approval of 2027-2028 reappraisal plan-** Hasty motioned to open discussion, Hale seconded. Discussions were had about removing redundant phrasing in sections 1.3, 5.1, and 5.5. Section 6.4 was discussed with regards to naming a specific appraisal firm. Section 6.5 clarification of titles of Ag Board versus District's appraisal board. Citizen, and CFO for the RFISD, Kathy Henderson, spoke about her appreciation for the hard work that went into the restructuring of the document. Motion passed 5-0 for the amended appraisal plan as discussed.

IV. **Discussion and possible action regarding APISD Board of Trustees Resolution on August 10, 2016–** Discussion was had about APISD's opposition to certain language of the Board adopted Resolution and whether the entity is a voting entitled entity. The Board proposed to acknowledge the amendment of wording to be looked at in 2027 and that the opposition did not pertain to the Board composition but the language only. A letter will be drafted to all entities to discuss the potential future re-wording and that no opposition of the new composition was presented to date. Yarnall motions to draft the letter and not take action on the APISD resolution, Lambert seconds. Motion passed 5-0

V. **Chief Appraiser's Report** – Chief Appraiser advised no bank bids have been received to date. Presley advised he is meeting with the City of Rockport soon to review their new position and the appointment process. Presley has recently signed up for 2 conferences as encouraged by the Board. Presley noted that a change to the cost schedule is overdue and will be implemented this year. Current methods are using outdated multiplier factors. These changes will have valuation effects on most properties in our jurisdiction. The Board discussed potentially holding a workshop or pushing out information on social media to inform the public of the changes and how they might be affected. Citizen Jeff Hutt spoke about neighborhood designations and asked if they could be changed or narrowed with relation to valuations and how the cost schedule changes might affect properties in certain proximities to specific neighborhoods. Presley advised that no labeled neighborhoods will be changed but without using the dated multiplier method he believes valuations will even out.

**Motion to Adjourn at 5:58 pm.**

Matthew Ocker, Chairman

Nikki Yarnall, Secretary

Anna Marshall, Tax Assessor-Collector

Kevin Lambert

Micah Hale

Janet Hasty