

DATE: 07-15-2009

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Mayor John Cook

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Please place the following item on the (Check one): CONSENT X REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda for the Council Meeting of July 21, 2009

Item should read as follows: Re-appointment of Alan A. Hodson to the Information Technology Advisory Board by Mayor John F. Cook.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT FORM**

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION: Information Technology Advisory Board

NOMINATED BY: Mayor John F. Cook DISTRICT: Mayor

NAME OF APPOINTEE Alan A. Hodson  
(Please verify correct spelling of name)

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WHO WAS THE LAST PERSON TO HAVE HELD THIS POSITION BEFORE IT BECAME VACANT?

NAME OF INCUMBENT: Re-appointment

EXPIRATION DATE OF INCUMBENT: 07/10/2009

REASON PERSON IS NO LONGER IN OFFICE (CHECK ONE): TERM EXPIRED: x  
RESIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
REMOVED \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: 07/21/2009

EXPIRATION DATE OF NEW APPOINTEE: 07/10/2011

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: 1<sup>st</sup> TERM: \_\_\_\_\_  
2<sup>nd</sup> TERM: X  
UNEXPIRED TERM: \_\_\_\_\_

# ALAN A. HODSON

## RESUME

- Career Objective:**
- To develop and implement dependable, cost-effective systems that support technology-based instruction, improve student instructional outcomes, and promote faculty and community familiarity with these resources.
- Current assignment:**
- Campus Technology Coordinator, responsible for deploying, training and maintaining special instructional projects at campuses. I report directly to EPISD's CTO, Mr Steve Stiles. Manager of Open Source Project.
- District activities:**
- DEIC representative for TIS.
  - Deploying and maintaining Linux servers and labs.
  - Trainer for classroom applications such as MarcoPolo, IGPro, and all Mac and Linux topics and apps.
  - Technology Coordinator for many schools, developing and implementing connectivity and viable Internet strategies, supporting servers (Mac, PC and Linux) and promoting teacher involvement via training and projects.
  - Member CIT, 1996-1998, Bowie High School - Technology advisor.
  - Founder, EPISD World Wide Web Development Team - originally in charge of coordinating the District's presence on the Internet. Job was handed to TIS.
  - Member CIT, 1995-1996, Wiggs Middle School.
  - Member CIT, 1991-1993, Guillen Middle School.
  - Member UTEP Collaborative for Academic Excellence, 1992-1994.
  - Member Mathematics Collaborative, UTEP, 1992-1994.
  - Math Department Head, Guillen Middle School, 1991-1993.
  - Member, El Paso Consultation Association, 1993-1994.
- Conferences Training & Involvement**
- TCEA (Texas Computer Education Association) Conference presenter.
  - EPISD Technology Conference presenter.
  - Border Educational Technology/iNET - annual presenter.
  - Presenter Texas Middle Schools Conference.
  - Presenter, TEXTESOL Conference.
  - NASA/MU-SPIN Network Resources Training, UTEP
  - NASA- Johnson Space Center - Knowbot Training
  - Middle School Teaming/Interdisciplinary Units Training.
  - Presenter: Technology Training for Teachers – Telecommunications, Intro to Macs and Web Resources.
  - Student Trainer- UTEP's TexPrep Summer Program for Gifted & Disadvantaged Youth.
  - Teacher - Summer Developmental Program, Learning Disabilities & Technology, YISD.
  - Computer Technology Instructor, Region XIX.
  - Numerous online courses on OSX, networking and Linux system administration.
  - Organizer for local Linux User's group.
  - Founder and President of Texas Open Source Software (TOSS) Foundation – <http://tossfoundation.org>
  - Blog maintainer: <http://elptuxman.edublogs.org/> - Open Source advocacy
- Professional Organizations**
- Member ISTE, International Society for Technology in Education
  - Member TCEA, Texas Computer Education Association.
  - Member, National Council of Teacher of Mathematics.
  - Member, Greater El Paso Council of Teachers of Mathematics.
  - Member, ASCD (Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development).
  - Intern, El Paso Community College, Systems and Programming.
  - President, Franklin Mountain Apple Orchard, local Apple Users group (1990-1992).
- Education:**
- UTEP - Texas certification program: k-8 general, secondary math.
  - M.Ed., Educational Administration, University of Alabama, 1978.
  - B.A. Latin American Studies/History, California State University at Hayward, 1971.
- Work Experience:**
- 1998-2004 Campus Technology Coordinator for Bowie and TIS.
  - 1996-1998 Bowie High School, Math and technology.
  - 1994-1996 Wiggs Middle School, Math.
  - 1995-1996 Wiggs Middle School, Teacher Computer Trainer and Technology Coordinator.
  - 1987-1994 Guillen Middle School: Math 7/8th grade and Algebra.
  - Computer Consultant, YISD: Eastwood Heights Elementary (Bob Schulte, Principal), Scotsdale Elementary (Ann Bolte, Principal), Eastpoint Elementary (Nancy Evans, Principal), 1993-1998.

- 1982-87, American School, Guadalajara, Mexico: High School Principal.
- 1979-82, Lincoln School, San Jose, Costa Rica: Elementary Principal.
- 1977-78, Colegio Parrish, Barranquilla, Colombia: Assistant Elementary Principal.
- 1973-77, Colegio Parrish, Barranquilla, Colombia: Jr. High/High School Social Studies.
- 1972-73 Marymount School, Barranquilla, Colombia: Jr. High Math, Social Studies.
- 1973-74, Corporación Universitaria de La Costa, Barranquilla, Colombia: Teacher Training: US Social Studies methodology.

- Qualities:**
- Bilingual, English-Spanish - Total fluency.
  - Multi-cultural: lived in Colombia (25 yrs.), Costa Rica (3 yrs.), Mexico (5 yrs.), US (27 yrs.)
  - Traveled extensively in Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, Colombia and Ecuador.
  - Operational proficiency in Linux; basic knowledge of Java, C++ and AppleScripting.

- Other**
- Activities:**
- WebMaster – <http://links.episd.org> – site with teacher resources
  - Past WebMaster for the EPISD Web Site: <http://www.elpaso.k12.tx.us> (former URL)
  - Director of MathMagic Internet, a world wide problem-solving INTERNET project involving schools from every continent and housed at Swarthmore College (PA): <http://mathforum.org/mathmagic/>
  - PBS MathLine (KCOS) on-line project facilitator for West Texas, 1995-1996.
  - Internet consultant: telecommunications and information acquisition.
  - Macintosh/Linux Thin Client Consultant.

- Publications:**
- NIBBLE Magazine, October 1990, "Scroller", AppleSoft program- Messaging utility.
  - Hundreds of references in journals, periodicals, books and electronic media regarding MathMagic Internet

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