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VACANT BOARD SEAT FILLED

The Dripping Springs ISD Board of Trustees has announced that Marisa Grijalva has been selected by a unanimous vote to fill the vacant Board seat for the remainder of the current term, which expires in May of 2019. The vacancy was created when trustee Shelly Reeves resigned her position in June. A Board election will be held May 4, 2019, for this position and the one held by Jon Thompson.

Ms. Grijalva is a Texas-certified educator who has spent 11 years as a teacher, including four at Dripping Springs Elementary (2012-16). She currently works part-time as a reading intervention teacher at Baldwin Elementary in Austin ISD. A fluent Spanish speaker, Ms. Grijalva has two children in the district, one at Sycamore Springs Middle School and one at Dripping Springs High School.

The position was filled through an application process, a common practice used by school boards throughout the state when a vacancy on the board occurs near the end of a term. Twenty members of the Dripping Springs community expressed interest in the position and six were selected for interviews.

“The DSISD Board is grateful for the number of people who raised their hands to volunteer for this interim position,” said Board President Carrie Kroll. “Please join us in welcoming Ms. Grijalva to the board, whose background as an educator will bring a unique perspective to this role. We are confident she will do a great job representing the voices in our community and advocating for our students.”

Ms. Grijalva will be sworn in at the DSISD Board of Trustees regular meeting on Monday, August 27, 2018.

