

**GALENA PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING**

Regular Meeting

Monday, March 7, 2022

Administration Building of Galena Park Independent School District

14705 Woodforest Blvd.

Houston, TX 77015

6:00 PM

The Board of Trustees of Galena Park Independent School District met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, March 7, 2022, with the following members present: President, Jeff Miller; Vice President, Adrian Stephens; Secretary, Noe Esparza; Trustees: Ramon Garza, Norma Hernandez, Herbert Alexander Sanchez and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes. Trustee, Wanda Heath Johnson was absent.

At 5:01 p.m., the Board met in Executive Session as authorized by Sections 551.001 through 551.084, et seq of the Texas Government Code pursuant to:

**A. Section 551.071 Attorney/Client Consultation - For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.**

**B. Section 551.074 Personnel - Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public employee.**

1. Consider Board Member responsibilities.
2. Consider Superintendent responsibilities.
3. Consider approval of the employment of contractual personnel as presented.
4. Discuss the Galena Park ISD 2021 Accountability Data and Superintendent's Evaluation.
5. Discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation.
6. Discuss and consider the Superintendent's employment contract.

At 6:36 p.m., Mr. Miller announced that Executive Session was adjourned, and the Board would meet in Public Session for the following action on items discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Miller called for a motion to approve the employment of contractual personnel as presented

A motion was made by Ramon Garza and seconded by Adrian Stephens. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller called for a motion to approve the Superintendent's evaluation and contract as discussed in Executive Session and authorize the Board President to sign an addendum to his contract that includes the changes on behalf of the board as presented.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Noe Esparza. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

**REGULAR MEETING:** At 6:39 p.m., Mr. Miller called the meeting to order. Jeff Miller opened the meeting with a prayer, Galena Park High School Army JROTC Color-Guard presented the pledges to the American and Texas flags.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ITEMS:**

**A. Public Comment for Posted Agenda Items:**

There were no public comments for posted agenda items.

**B. Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items:**

There were no public comments for non-agenda items.

**RECOGNITION:** Dr. Moore and Norma Hernandez recognized the following:

**A. Business Partner:**

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the Kids in Need Foundation, a national 501(c)(3) organization, for the generous donation of Lysol Disinfecting Wipes to Galena Park ISD.

**B. Employee:**

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize Mr. Shane Goforth, North Shore Senior High School Director of Bands, for his election to serve as the 2022 Band Division Vice-President on the Executive Board of the Texas Music Educators' Association.
2. Galena Park ISD will recognize the Communication Services Department for receiving a Best of Category Award for the 2020-2021 "We're All In This Together" State of the District publication by the Texas School Public Relations Association.

**C. Student:**

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize Galena Park Middle School students, Luis Guzman and Antonio Marius, for being selected by Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia as the winners of the 2021 Congressional App Challenge in Texas's 29<sup>th</sup> District.
2. Galena Park ISD will recognize North Shore Senior High School students Matthew Jasso, Devyn Santamaria, and Alexis Wright, for being named to represent Galena Park ISD as members of the Texas Music Educators' Association All-State Choirs.
3. Galena Park ISD will recognize students from Galena Park High School and North Shore Senior High School for College Board Advanced Placement® (AP) Scholar recognitions for outstanding performance on multiple Advanced Placement® exams.

**BOARD COMMENTS:** Ramon Garza wished everyone a safe and happy Spring Break, and for everyone to take care of themselves.

**ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT:** Juan Ramirez, Principal of Woodland Acres Middle School presented the Spotlight with a video highlighting some of the outstanding programs and initiatives at Woodland Acres Middle School.

**REPORTS:** Mr. Miller introduced Harold "Sonny" Fletcher III, Senior Director for Facility Planning and Construction, who provided a 2016 Bond Program construction update.

Mr. Miller also introduced Jerid Link, Executive Director for Human Resource Services – Compliance & Hearing, who presented the DC (LOCAL) Employment Practices as presented for Board of Trustees review and adoption at first and final reading, and he presented the DFE (LOCAL) Termination of Employment Resignation as presented for Board of Trustees review at first and final reading.

**NEW BUSINESS – ACTION:**

Mr. Miller asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the resolution as presented regarding compensation and delegate to the Superintendent the authority to establish one-time payment amounts for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Herbert Sanchez to approve the resolution regarding compensation and delegate to the Superintendent the authority to establish one-time payment amounts as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the revision to district policy DC (LOCAL) Employment Practices at first and final reading as presented.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Adrian Stephens to approve the revision to district policy DC (LOCAL) Employment Practices as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the revision to district policy DFE (LOCAL) Termination of Employment Resignation at first and final reading as presented.

A motion was made by Herbert Sanchez and seconded by Noe Esparza to approve the revision to district policy DFE (LOCAL) Termination of Employment Resignation as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

**CONSENT AGENDAS – ACTION:** So that audience members might better understand the Consent Agenda process, Mr. Miller stated that the Board members receive Agenda Items prior to each Board meeting and are given adequate time to go through each Agenda Item thoroughly and to ask questions of the staff, if needed.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if any item from the General Consent Agenda should be removed for a separate vote. No item was requested for separate vote, and the General Consent Agenda was presented for a motion.

**A. General Consent Agenda:**

1. Consider approval of the minutes for the Special Meeting and Regular Meeting held on February 14.
2. Consider approval to increase the pay for summer school teaching positions to \$45 an hour and paraprofessional positions to \$25 an hour.

A motion was made by Ramon Garza and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the General Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if any item from the Construction Consent Agenda should be removed for separate vote. No item was requested for separate vote, and the Construction Consent Agenda was presented for a motion.

**A. Construction Consent Agenda:**

1. Consider approval of the Job Order Contract method of project delivery/contract award for renovations at North Shore Middle School and North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Campus, and delegate authority to the Superintendent, or designee, to negotiate and execute contracts with E Contractors USA, LLC, Generocity Services Inc., and/or Jamail & Smith Construction, LP, via Choice Partners Contract 20/017MR or 21/039MR, or BuyBoard Contract #581-19, for an estimated amount not to exceed a total of \$1,750,000.
2. Consider approval of the selection of S. Chu Architects, Inc. as the architectural firm for the Summer 2022 Renovations, and delegate authority to the Superintendent, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected firm, or alternate(s) if negotiations should fail.
3. Consider approval of a water meter easement to The City of Houston on the Pyburn Elementary School site, and authorize the Board President to execute the easement.

A motion was made by Adrian Stephens and seconded by Noe Esparza to approve the Construction Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if any item from the Financial Consent Agenda should be removed for separate vote. No item was requested for separate vote, and the Financial Consent Agenda was presented for a motion.

**A. Financial Consent Agenda:**

1. Consider approval of the purchase of medical equipment from MacGill for the period of March 11, 2022, through August 31, 2022, via Goodbuy 21-22 1A100 at an estimated amount of \$400,000.
2. Consider approval of the purchase of 30 Language Interpretation Systems from Audio Resource Group for the period of March 11, 2022, through August 31, 2022, via Buy Board 661-22 at an estimated amount of \$75,000.
3. Consider approval of the purchase of Air Guardian Portable Units from IllumiPure for the period of March 11, 2022, through August 31, 2022, via TXMAS ID - 19-5603 at an estimated amount of \$800,000.
4. Consider approval of the award of RFP 22-003 Covered Walkways, Metal Buildings, & Metal Roofs for the initial two-year period of March 8, 2022, through February 28, 2024, with the vendors listed below at an estimated annual expenditure of \$350,000:  
The Deck & Canopy Company, LLC  
Sheffield Construction  
TSG Industries
5. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of February 2022.
6. Consider approval for the award of RFP 22-005 Furniture – Office, Classroom, Cafeteria, and Specialty Furnishings for the period of March 8, 2022, through February 28, 2024, for an estimated expenditure of \$5,000,000 with the following vendors:  
Gateway Printing & Office Supply, Inc.  
Indeco Sales, Inc.  
J.R., Inc.  
Lakeshore Learning Materials, LLC  
Liberty Office Products  
PPG Furnishings  
Reynolds Manufacturing Corporation  
School Outfitters LLC  
School Specialty, LLC  
Tesco Industries, LLC  
The Library Store, Inc.
7. Consider Approval of the purchase of STEMscopes Math curriculum resources for the term March 8, 2022, through July 16, 2022, from Accelerated Learning, via Choice Partners 19/038KC-01, at an estimated cost of \$100,000.
8. Consider approval of the purchase of STEMscopes Science curriculum resources for the term March 8, 2022, through July 16, 2022, from Accelerated Learning, via Choice Partners 19/038KC-01, at an estimated cost of \$100,000.
9. Consider approval to modify Substitute and Constable Pay Rates effective March 7, 2022 through May 28, 2022.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Adrian Stephens to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

**INFORMATION:** The following documents were presented for information:

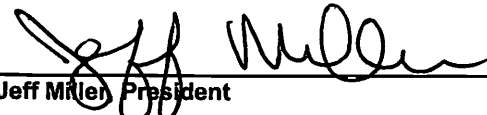
**A. Sonya Haidusek-Niazy, Chief Financial Officer/Deputy Superintendent for Operational Support, presented:**

1. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of January 31, 2022
2. Donation Report for February 2022
3. Comparative Tax Collection Report for the period of September 1 through January 31 for fiscal years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022

**B. Elizabeth Lalor, Deputy Superintendent for Educational Support and School Administration presented:**

1. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes from January 2022
2. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary from January 2022

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

  
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Jeff Miller, President

ATTEST:

  
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Noe Espinoza, Secretary