# GALENA PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Regular Meeting
Monday, April 11, 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, April 11, 2022, with the following members present: President, Jeff Miller; Vice President, Adrian Stephens; Secretary, Noe Esparza; Trustees: Wanda Heath Johnson, Ramon Garza, Norma Hernandez, and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes. Herbert Alexander Sanchez was absent.

**REGULAR MEETING:** At 6:00 p.m., Mr. Miller called the meeting to order. Adrian Stephens opened the meeting with a prayer, Cunningham Middle School 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:
  - 1. Patricia Burke with the NASA Alumni League presented Galena Park ISD with a check in the amount of \$1,749 to continue advancing STEM programs for students.

**RECOGNITION:** Dr. Moore and Jeff Miller recognized the following:

#### A. Employee:

- 1. Galena Park ISD will recognize Coach Jon Kay for being named the 2021 Dave Campbell's Texas Football 6A Coach of the Year.
- 2. Galena Park ISD will recognize the Business Services Department for earning the Association of School Business Officials' Meritorious Budget Award for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the Texas School of Business Officials' Award of Merit for Purchasing Operations, and the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association.

#### **B. Student:**

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize members of the Superintendent's Student Advisory Board for their leadership and dedicated service to their schools and community.

Members of the Superintendent's Student Advisory Board include:

CTE Early College High School – Danielle Barraza, John Michael Cantu, Alaizja Hunter, Riley Johnson, Mohamed Kone, Mia Pena, Juan Rodriguez

Galena Park High School – Adam Alvarado, Anahi Arredondo, Francisco "Frankie" Barrientos, Churchill Couch, Isabella Espinoza, Kayla Ramirez, Jonathan Shields, Victoria Tovar

North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Center - Dulce Bonilla, Luke Melendez

North Shore Senior High 10th Grade Center - Chance Smith, Kaliyah Smith

North Shore Senior High School - Joel Gallegos, Jasmin Jimenez, Christen Lance, Joseph Molina, Caliehs Skinner

### **BOARD COMMENTS:** There were no board comments.

**ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT:** Dr. Christopher Pichon, Executive Director for School Administration & Principal Development, presented the Academic Spotlight at the April 11, 2022, board meeting. Dr. Pichon highlighted the Aspiring Administrator Academy and the opportunities the academy provides for future GPISD administrators. The presentation was in video format.

**REPORTS:** Jeff Miller, Board President, reported on Galena Park Independent School District Board Members' continuing education credits.

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS - ACTION:**

Mr. Miller asked the Board if there was a motion to approve a 3% midpoint general pay increase for employees tied to the teacher pay scale.

A motion was made by Ramon Garza and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve a 3% midpoint general pay increase for employees tied to the teacher pay scale 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 Amended Order of Election for the May 7, 2022, Galena Park ISD Trustee Election to reflect updated election staff and Harris County voting precinct numbers.

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the Amended Order of Election for the May 7, 2022, Galena Park ISD Trustee Election 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 there was a motion to approve the General Consent Agenda.

# A. General Consent Agenda:

1. Consider approval of the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on March 7, for the Emergency Meeting held on March 11, and for the Board Workshop held on April 6.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Adrian Stephens 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:

- Consider approval of the Competitive Sealed Proposal method of project delivery/contract award, which will provide the
  best value to the District, for the Purple Sage Elementary School HVAC Upgrades and Indoor Air Quality Improvements,
  North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Campus Windows, Panels and Façade, and Cimarron Elementary School HVAC
  Replacement and Upgrades.
- 2. Consider approval of the Interlocal Agreement with The City of Galena Park for development of the new Parkside Drive.
- 3. Consider approval of the selection of PBK Architects, Inc. dba BEAM Professionals as the Roof Consulting firm for the Windows, Panels and Façade Project at North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Campus, 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.
- 4. Consider approval of the selection of DBR Engineering Consultants, Inc. as the MEP Engineering firm for the HVAC Upgrades and Indoor Air Quality Improvements at Purple Sage Elementary School, 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.
- 5. Consider approval of the selection of Estes, McClure & Associates, Inc. as the MEP Engineering firm for the HVAC Replacement and Upgrades at Cimarron Elementary School, 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.
- 6. Consider approval of pressure washing, replacing existing sealants, and painting of the GPISD Stadium Administration Field House and the North Shore Senior High Field House (Lifecycle Project L158) by Sea Breeze Roofing Inc. via Choice Partners contract #17/038CG-12 for an estimated amount of \$80,000.
- Consider approval of the LED stadium lighting upgrade at the GPISD Sports Complex (Lifecycle Project L161) by Techline Sports Lighting, LLC. via BuyBoard contract #592-19 for an estimated amount of \$500,000.
- 8. Consider approval of the pool of Architectural, Engineering, and Other Professional Services Firms to be used on ESSER funded projects the District deems necessary with:

Architectural Design:

S. Chu Architects, Inc.

PBK Architects, Inc.

Pfluger Architects, Inc.

Environmental Engineering:
Geotech Engineering and Testing
Terracon Consultants, Inc.
Raba Kistner, Inc.

MEP Engineering: Stanton Engineering Group, LLC Estes, McClure & Associates, Inc. DBR Engineering Consultants, Inc.

Roof Consulting: BEAM Professionals Terracon Consultants, Inc. Amtech Solutions Incorporated

Structural Engineering: Matrix Structural Engineers PBK Architects, Inc. BEAM Professionals

Civil Engineering: Brooks & Sparks, Inc. West Belt Surveying, Inc. Earth Engineering, Inc.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Ramon Garza 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 to ratify the Auxiliary Substitute Pay Rates. The rates will be retroactive to March 7, 2022, through August 31, 2022. Also, consider approval of Election Extra Duty Pay Rates.
- 2. Consider approval for the purchase of ThinkCERCA for the term of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025, via ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative RFP NUMBER: 21-7406, utilizing Instructional Materials Allotment funds, at an estimated total cost of \$1,000,000.
- 3. Consider purchase approval to increase the previously approved purchase to contract additional Licensed Specialist in School Psychology, Educational Diagnostician & Speech services for our special education students from Specialized Assessment and Consulting for the term of April 12, 2022, through July 31, 2022, via Central Texas Purchasing Alliance using Goose Creek CISD's RFP 19-017 Contracted Services and Related Products valid through June 30, 2024, at an estimated additional amount of \$200,000.
- 4. Consider purchase approval to contract consulting services with Gibson Consulting Group for the period of April 13, 2022, through August 31, 2023, via TIPS Contract number 200601 at an estimated amount of \$150,000.
- 5. Consider approval to increase RFP 21-006 Custodial Supplies through August 31, 2022, to an estimated expense of \$1,500,000 to vendors listed below:

Butler Business Products
Buckeye Cleaning Center-Houston
Ferguson Facilities Supply/Matera Paper
Gulf Coast Paper Co., Inc.
Liberty Office Products
MSC Industrial Supply Company
Pyramid School Products
Quill, LLC

Ridley's Vacuum and Janitorial Supply School Specialty, LLC

**Zhou Medical Solutions, LLC** 

- Consider approval for the renewal of RFP 19-002 Athletic Field Maintenance Services for the period of May 1, 2022, through April 30, 2023, with Professional Grounds Management Services, LLC, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$85,000.
- 7. Consider approval for the renewal of RFP 16-013 Truancy & Dropout Prevention and Intervention System for the period of April 25, 2022, through April 24, 2025, with RaaWee Inc. with a total estimated amount of \$200,000.
- 8. Consider approval of the Interlocal Agreement in the Education Service Center, Region 20 and the PACE Purchasing Cooperative.
- 9. Consider approval of a one-year engagement letter with Whitley Penn, LLP to conduct the Annual Financial and Compliance Audit for fiscal year 2021-2022 for an estimated annual expenditure of \$80,000.
- 10. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of March 2022.
- 11. The Technology Department is requesting to purchase a 3-year antivirus protection subscription for all district computers for the term September 27, 2022, through September 27, 2025, from SHI Government Solutions, Inc. via Contract # TIPS 200105 at an estimated amount of \$200,000.
- 12. The Technology Department is requesting to purchase additional licenses for district Wi-Fi system and 3-year support for the term April 15, 2022, through April 15, 2025, from Netsync Network Solutions via Contract # DIR-TSO-4167 at an estimated amount of \$70,000.
- 13. Consider approval of the increase in the purchase of cleaning supplies, equipment and custodial related services and solutions for the term of September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022, from The Home Depot Pro, via OMNIA Partners, Public Sector contract #17-21 from \$125,000 to \$225,000.
- 14. Consider approval of the purchase of four 78-passenger school buses from Thomas Bus Gulf Coast GP, Inc., via BuyBoard contract # 630-20 in the amount of \$462,600.
- 15. Consider approval of the purchase of school bus surveillance devices, software licensing, and maintenance services from 247Security Inc for the term of September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022, from TIPS Purchasing Cooperative contract #210801 at an estimated amount of \$100,000.
- 16. Consider approval of the purchase of grounds maintenance equipment, irrigation parts, and supplies from Professional Turf Products, LP through BuyBoard contract #611-20 for the term of September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022, at an estimated amount of \$115,000.
- 17. Consider approval of the Texas Association of School Boards Risk Management Fund Interlocal Participation Agreement.
  The Interlocal Participation Agreement shall be effective as of April 12, 2022, and shall be in effect unless terminated as provided in the Agreement.
- Consider approval of the license agreement with NRG Park to host the 2022 Graduation Ceremonies on May 29, 2022, for an estimated cost of \$150,000.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza 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:
- Comparative Tax Collection Report for the period of September 1 through February 28 for fiscal years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022
- 2. General Fund Budget Summary Report for the period of September 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022
- 3. Donation Report for March 2022
- 4. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of February 28, 2022
- B. Elizabeth Lalor, Deputy Superintendent for Educational Support and School Administration presented:
- 1. Early Head Start 2021-2022 Self-Assessment and Action Plan
- 2. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes from February 2022
- Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary from February 2022

At 6:33 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, consider, and approve the amendment to the Superintendent's employment contract, and authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to sign the amendment to the Superintendent's employment contract.

At 6:48 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 Wanda Johnson and seconded by Ramon Garza. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller called for a motion to approve the amendment to the Superintendent's employment contract and authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to sign the amendment to the Superintendent's employment contract.

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

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Jeff Miller, President

ATTEST:

Noe Esparza Secretary