

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

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

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 Tuesday, October 12, 2021, with the following members present: President, Jeff Miller; Vice President, Adrian Stephens; Secretary, Noe Esparza; Trustees: Wanda Heath Johnson, Ramon Garza, Norma Hernandez, Herbert Alexander Sanchez and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes. Herbert Alexander Sanchez, had an emergency and had to leave the meeting during the presentation of the Academic Spotlight, he was not present to vote for any of the action items, and Executive Session.

REGULAR MEETING: At 6:00 p.m., Mr. Miller called the meeting to order. Jeff Miller opened the meeting with a prayer, Cunningham Middle School LOTC 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. Sherrhonda Hunter, recognized Galena Park ISD principals on behalf of the District in honor of October National Principal's Month. Mrs. Hunter also recognized students, staff and community members who participated in the 2021-2022 State of the District publication.
2. Lawrence Allen with the State Board of Education, presented Terence Narcisse the 2021 Heroes for Children Award.

RECOGNITION: Dr. Moore recognized the following:

A. Business Partner:

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the East Harris County Empowerment Council and Amerigroup for the generous donation of school supplies and 125 backpacks to the students of Cloverleaf Elementary School and Woodland Acres Elementary School.
2. Galena Park ISD will recognize Terence Narcisse, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of the East Harris County Empowerment Council, for being selected as the District 4 recipient of the 2021 Heroes for Children Award for the State Board of Education.
3. Galena Park ISD will recognize Cathy Hernandez of KPRC Channel 2 News for being named to the 2021 Media Honor Roll by Galena Park ISD, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards.

BOARD COMMENTS: There were no board comments.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT: Ms. Irene Benzor, Principal of Normandy Crossing Elementary School, presented the Spotlight.

REPORTS: 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 the Texas Education Human Resources Day Resolution as presented.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Wanda Johnson to approve the Texas Education Human Resources Day Resolution as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if there was a motion to approve adopting the resolution establishing Maintenance and Operation tax rate of \$1.1251 and a Debt Service tax rate of \$0.3400 for a total tax rate of \$1.4651 for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve adopting the resolution establishing Maintenance and Operation tax rate of \$1.1251 and a Debt Service tax rate of \$0.3400 for a total tax rate of \$1.4651 for the 2021-22 fiscal year as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if there was a motion to approve to advance hire up to twenty-five highly qualified teachers for the 2022-2023 school year during the second semester of the 2021-2022 school year.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Wanda Johnson to advance hire up to twenty-five highly qualified teachers for the 2022-2023 school year during the second semester of the 2021-2022 school year as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mr. Miller asked the Board if there was a motion to approve Board Resolution authorizing to pay Galena Park ISD employees for a missed work day as a result of the closure of schools due to inclement weather on Tuesday, September 14, 2021. Furthermore, authorize the Superintendent to pay additional compensation to employees in accordance with the Resolution and Board Policy DEA (LOCAL).

A motion was made by Adrian Stephens and seconded by Noe Esparza to approve Board Resolution authorizing to pay Galena Park ISD employees for a missed work day as a result of the closure of schools due to inclement weather on Tuesday, September 14, 2021. Furthermore, authorize the Superintendent to pay additional compensation to employees in accordance with the Resolution and Board Policy DEA (LOCAL) 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 Workshop and Special called Meeting held on Thursday, September 16.
2. Consider approval of the resolution and adjunct faculty status of the named Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service employees as presented.
3. Consider approval of the low attendance waiver application to the Texas Education Agency, for the low attendance days in August and September due to health, to be removed from the calculations for average daily attendance.
4. Consider approval of the low attendance waiver application to the Texas Education Agency, for the low attendance day in September due to weather, to be removed from the calculations for average daily attendance.

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:

1. Consider approval of final payment to Unify Energy Solutions, LLC, for Building Automation Controls Replacement at Joyce Zotz Education Center (Project L126) with a final construction cost of \$326,500.
2. Consider approval of the Competitive Sealed Proposal method of project delivery/contract award, which will provide the best value to the District for Galena Park High School - Additions/Renovations - Phase 2.
3. Consider approval of the Competitive Sealed Proposal method of project delivery/contract award, which will provide the best value to the District, for Galena Park High School - Roadway and Utility Relocation.
4. Consider approval of the Interlocal Agreement with Harris County for sidewalk improvements from Woodforest Boulevard to Wallisville Road with the County overseeing the construction and providing 100% of construction costs.

A motion was made by Ramon Garza and seconded by Norma Hernandez 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 Dell Precision 5820 Towers (CPUs) for the term of October 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022, from Dell Computer Corporation via TX DIR-TSO-3763 at an estimated amount of \$75,000.

2. Consider approval of the Interlocal Agreement with Gulf Coast Local Workforce Board for Child Care Local Match Contribution of \$500,000 for the period of October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2022.
3. Consider approval of the purchase of no-touch cleaning equipment for the term of October 13, 2021, through August 31, 2022, from Gulf Coast Paper Co., Inc. via BuyBoard contract #649-21 at an estimated amount of \$385,000.
4. Consider approval of the renewal of RFP18-001 Asphalt for Paving for the period of November 1, 2021, through October 31, 2022, from Brooks Concrete, Inc. and Sheffield Construction at an estimated amount of \$350,000.
5. Consider approval of the payment to Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP for the 2016 property value audit services at an estimated amount of \$219,000.
6. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of September 2021.
7. Consider approval for the renewal of RFP 18-014 Electrical Supplies for the period of November 1, 2021, through October 31, 2022, from Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc. (primary) and Voss Lighting (secondary), at an estimated amount of \$500,000.
8. Consider approval of the renewal of Cisco Flex Enterprise Agreement for the term of September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2023, from Presidio Network Solutions Group, LLC via DIR-TSO-4167 at an estimated amount of \$165,000.
9. Consider approval for the award of RFP 21-007 Instructional Materials for the period of November 1, 2021, through October 31, 2022, for an estimated expenditure of \$1,000,000 with the following vendors:

A Medium Corporation
 ABDO-Spotlight-Magic Wagon
 Advance Books LLC
 Advanced Graphics
 American Ceramic Supply Company
 American Reading Company
 Attainment Company, Inc.
 Ballard & Tighe Publishers
 Barnes & Noble Booksellers, Inc.
 Beable Education, Inc.
 Benchmark Education Company LLC
 Blick Art Materials
 Booksource
 Bound To Stay Bound Books, Inc.
 BSN Sports, LLC
 Capstone Classroom
 Cengage Learning, Inc.
 Certiport, a business of NCS Pearson, Inc
 CEV Multimedia Ltd.
 Cherry Lake Publishing/Sleeping Bear Press
 Corwin Press, Inc.
 Crabtree Publishing Company
 Crisis Prevention Institute, Inc.
 Davis Publications, Inc.
 DeltaMath Solutions Inc.
 Discount School Supply
 Dreambox Learning, Inc
 EAI Education
 ECS Learning Systems
 Empowering Writers, LLC
 Encore Data Products, Inc.
 Escue & Associates
 ExploreLearning, LLC
 Exploros, Inc.
 Fisher Scientific Co. LLC
 Florida Virtual School
 Follett School Solutions, Inc.
 Garrett Book Company

Gateway Printing & Office Supply, Inc.
GF Educators, Inc.
Gibbs Smith Education
Gumdrop Books
Heinemann
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company
Ingram Library Services LLC
Integral Mathematics, Inc.
IXL Learning, Inc.
Jade Distributing, Inc.
Junior Library Guild
KAMICO Instructional Media, Inc.
Kaplan Early Learning Company
Lakeshore Learning Materials
lead4ward LLC
Learning A-Z, LLC
Lectorum Publications, Inc.
Lerner Publishing Group
Lexia Learning Systems LLC
Lone Star Learning
Mackin Educational Resources
Math GPS, LLC
McGraw-Hill Education, Inc.
Mentoring Minds, LLC
MobyMax Education LLC
Music In Motion Inc.
Nasco Education LLC
Nussbaum Education Network, LLC
OverDrive Inc.
Pasco Scientific
Perma-Bound Books
Positive Promotions, Inc.
QEP Professional Books
QuaverEd, Inc.
Quill LLC
Rally! Education
Realityworks, Inc.
Really Good Stuff, LLC
Renaissance Learning, Inc.
Saddleback Educational, Inc.
Savvas Learning Company LLC
School Specialty, LLC
Seidlitz Education
Sirius Education Solutions
Specially Designed Education Services
Speed Stacks, Inc
Super Duper Publications
Superior Text, LLC
Supporting Science, Inc.
Texas Art Supply
Textbook Warehouse
The Master Teacher, Inc.
The Rosen Publishing Group, Inc.
US Games

Vista Higher Learning, Inc.
Voyager Sopris Learning, Inc.
WhyTry LLC

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Norma Hernandez 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. Comparative Tax Collection Report for the period of September 1 through August 31 for fiscal years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021
2. Donation Report for September 2021
3. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of August 31, 2021

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

1. 2021-2022 Gifted and Talented Enrollment Report
2. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes from August 2021
3. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary from August 2021

At 6:39 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 551.074 Personnel - Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public employee.


1. Consider approval of the employment of contractual personnel as presented.

At 6:47 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 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 6:48 p.m.



Jeff Miller, President

ATTEST:



Noe Esparza, Secretary