

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

Regular Meeting

Monday, March 6, 2023

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 6, 2023 with the following members present: President, Adrian Stephens; Vice President, Noe Esparza; Secretary, Norma Hernandez; Trustees: Wanda Heath Johnson, Ramon Garza, Linda Clark Sherrard and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes. Trustee: Herbert Alexander Sanchez was absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 4:46 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 Superintendent's Evaluation.
5. Discuss and consider possible action to the Superintendent's employment contract.

At 6:12 p.m., Mrs. Stephens announced that Executive Session was adjourned, and the Board would meet in Public Session for the following action on items discussed in Executive Session.

Mrs. Stephens called for a motion to approve the employment of contractual personnel as presented.

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

Mrs. Stephens called for a motion to approve the Superintendent's evaluation.

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Linda Sherrard. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens called for a motion to authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to execute amendments to the Superintendent's contract of employment on the terms discussed in closed session.

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

REGULAR MEETING: At 6:15 p.m., Mrs. Stephens called the meeting to order. Dr. John Moore opened the meeting with a prayer, North Shore 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

Terri Moore, Associate Superintendent for Educational Support and School Administration acknowledged a Proclamation recognizing March 2023 as Youth Art Month.

RECOGNITION: Dr. Moore and Noe Esparza recognized the following:

A. Business Partner:

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize Ardent Mills for a donation to the district's Agriculture Department.

B. Student:

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the 2023 Spanish Spelling Bee winners:

Elementary Winner:

- Angel Arrieta, MacArthur Elementary School

Secondary Winner: - Citlalli Rodriguez, Joyce Zotz Education Center

BOARD COMMENTS: Norma Hernandez and Linda Sherrard wished everyone a Happy Spring Break.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT: Barbara Garrett, Director of GPISD Childcare Center North Campus presented the Spotlight.

REPORTS: Mrs. Stephens introduced Jerid Link, Executive Director for Human Resource Services – Compliance & Hearing, who presented the Texas Association of School Boards Localized Manual Update 120, along with CDC (LOCAL) Other Revenues: Gifts and Solicitations, and DEA (LOCAL) Compensation and Benefits Compensation Plan, as presented for the Board of Trustees review at first and final reading.

Mrs. Stephens introduces Harold “Sonny” Fletcher III, Senior Director for Facilities Planning and Construction, who provided a 2016 Bond Program construction update.

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION:

Mrs. Stephens asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the resolution to reaffirm and readopt numbered at large positions and related actions.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the resolution to reaffirm and readopt numbered at large positions and related actions as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens asked the Board if there was a motion to approve additions, revisions or deletions to district policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 120 at first and final reading?

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Noe Esparza to approve the TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 120 at first and final reading as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens asked the Board if there was a motion to approve revisions to district policy CDC (LOCAL) Other Revenues: Gifts and Solicitations at first and final reading?

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the revisions to district policy CDC (LOCAL) as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens asked the Board if there was a motion to approve revisions to district policy DEA (LOCAL) Compensation and Benefits Compensation Plan at first and final reading?

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Linda Sherrard to approve the revisions to district 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, Mrs. Stephens 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.

Mrs. Stephens 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 Regular Meeting held on February 13.
2. Consider approval of the On-Campus Compensatory Education Home Instruction (CEHI) for the 2023 – 2024 and 2024 – 2025 school years.
3. Consider approval of the submission of waiver requests to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for the following: Accelerated Instruction, Dual Credit Limitation, Early Release, and Modified State Assessment Testing Days. Waiver applications will be submitted to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) upon Board approval.
4. Consider approval of the submission of a waiver request to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for the following: Staff Development Minutes Waiver. Waiver application will be submitted to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) upon Board approval.
5. Consider approval of the low attendance waiver application to the Texas Education Agency, for low attendance days in November due to health, to be removed from the calculations for average daily attendance.
6. Consider approval of the low attendance waiver application to the Texas Education Agency, for low attendance days in January due to safety, to be removed from the calculations for average daily attendance.

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

Mrs. Stephens asked the Board for a motion to approve the Construction Consent Agenda.

A. Construction Consent Agenda:

1. Consider approval of the LED lighting upgrade at Cimarron Elementary School (Lifecycle Project L193) by Unify Energy Solutions, LLC via BuyBoard contract #657-21 for an estimated amount of \$155,000.

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Linda Sherrard to approve the Construction Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens 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 RFP 230002045 for E-Rate Eligible internal connections (wireless networking upgrades) for a period of 3 years beginning July 1, 2023, at an estimated expenditure of \$164,772 with AT&T, an additional 10GB of internet access, for three years beginning July 1, 2023, at an estimated expenditure \$87,600 with Phonoscope, and upgrade older server equipment as needed for one year beginning July 1, 2023, at an estimated expenditure \$1,300,000 with Netsync.
2. Consider approval for the award of RFP 23-008 Carpet and Tile Flooring Services for the period of March 7, 2023, through February 29, 2024, for an estimated expenditure of \$1,200,000 with multiple vendors listed below:
AZTECA Designs and Construction
Floor-Tex Commercial Flooring, LLC
Giant Floor and Wall Coverings Co., Inc.
3. Consider approval to purchase testing materials from the College Board through August 31, 2023 at an estimated amount of \$85,000.
4. Consider approval of the purchase of USB port headphones for the term of March 7, 2023, through August 31, 2023, from M&A Technology, Inc. via Buyboard #661-22 at an estimated amount of \$350,000.
5. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of February 2023.
6. Consider approval of the purchase for internet connection firewall for the term of March 7, 2023, through March 7, 2024 from CDW Government LLC via DIR-TSO-4075 and TIPS 200105 at an estimated amount of \$180,000.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Wanda Johnson 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. Donation Report for February 2023
2. Tax Collection Report for January 2023
3. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of January 31, 2023
4. General Fund Budget Summary Report for the period of September 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022

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

1. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes from January 2023
2. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary from January 2023

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


Adrian Stephens, President

ATTEST:


Norma Hernandez, Secretary