

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

Regular Meeting

Monday, May 8, 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, May 8, 2023 with the following members present: President, Adrian Stephens; Secretary, Norma Hernandez; Trustees: Wanda Heath Johnson, Ramon Garza, Linda Clark Sherrard and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes. Vice President, Noe Esparza, and Trustee, Herbert Alexander Sanchez were absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:48 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 proposed termination of Catherine Wilder probationary contract, for the best interest of the district and authorize the Superintendent or his designee to notify the employee of the proposed action.
 - 4. Consider approval of the list of Chapter 21 probationary and term contract recommendations beginning in 2023-2024 and authorize the Executive Director for Human Resource Services to notify the related employees of the contract recommendations.
 - 5. Consider approval of the list of Non-Chapter 21 probationary and term contract recommendations beginning in 2023-2024 and authorize the Executive Director for Human Resource Services to notify the related employees of the contract recommendations.

At 5:59 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 proposed termination of Catherine Wilder probationary contract, for the best interest of the district and authorize the Superintendent or his designee to notify the employee of the proposed action.

A motion was made by Linda Sherrard and seconded by Norma Hernandez. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens called for a motion to approve the list of Chapter 21 probationary and term contract recommendations beginning in 2023-2024, and authorize the Executive Director for Human Resource Services to notify the related employees of the contract recommendations.

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Ramon Garza. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens called for a motion to approve the list of Non-Chapter 21 probationary and term contract recommendations beginning in 2023-2024, and authorize the Executive Director for Human Resource Services to notify the related employees of the contract recommendations.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Wanda Johnson. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0.

REGULAR MEETING: At 6:02 p.m., Mrs. Stephens called the meeting to order. Adrian Stephens opened the meeting with a prayer, Cobb 6th Grade Campus 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**
There were no public comments for non-agenda items.

RECOGNITION: Dr. Moore and Wanda Johnson recognized the following:

A. Business Partner:

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize Airgas for their generous donation to Galena Park High School's (GPHS) Welding Class.

B. Employee:

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize Chari Kauffman, North Shore Middle School Librarian, for being awarded the Texas Library Association (TLA) 2023 Wayne Williams Library Project of the Year Award.
2. Galena Park ISD will recognize Scott Merry, the University Interscholastic League (UIL) District Academic Meet Director, for his meticulous organization and facilitation of the March 24th Academic Meet at North Shore Senior High School (NSSHS).

C. Student:

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize North Shore Senior High School (NSSHS) Robotics students: William Felton, Ricardo Guerrero, Jr., Omar Herrera, Joshua Martinez, Catarino Medina, Jr., Daniel Medina, and David Pereida, Jr. for becoming commercial drone pilots.
2. Galena Park ISD will recognize Madelyn Trevino for being a National Medalist in the 2023 Scholastic Art and Writing Awards.
3. Galena Park ISD will recognize Victoria Tovar for being named a 2023 Scholastic Award National Winner.
4. Galena Park ISD will recognize the 6A HS Calculator Team from North Shore Senior High (NSSH) for winning first place in their division and earning additional, individual awards at the 2023 Texas Math and Science Coaches Association (TMSCA) High School State Meet on March 18, 2023.

BOARD COMMENTS: Ramon Garza, congratulated the Class of 2023, and wished them a safe and happy summer. Linda Sherrard, congratulated all of the students and stated we had great things going on in Galena Park ISD. Adrian Stephens, stated that the students made the job of board members worth it.

REPORTS: Mrs. Stephens introduced Harold "Sonny" Fletcher III, Senior Director for Facility 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 renewal of Property/Windstorm/Terrorism Insurance for the period of June 1, 2023 through June 1, 2024, from McGriff Insurance Services, Inc. via National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Contract Number 09-08 for the premium amount of \$3,490,001.

A motion was made by Wanda Johnson and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the renewal of Property/Windstorm/Terrorism Insurance, as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-1.

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 Regular Meeting held on April 11.
2. Consider approval of the Allotment and Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) Certification, 2023-2024.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Linda Sherrard to approve the General Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0.

Mrs. Stephens 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 award of CSP 23-009 for the Student Nutrition Generator Replacement (Project 900-2023) to McDonald Municipal and Industrial – A Division of C.F. McDonald Electric, Inc., for an estimated amount of \$496,469, including a \$20,000 owner's contingency, and delegate authority to the Superintendent, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected company.

2. Consider approval of the award of CSP 23-207 for the Cunningham Middle School and Tice Elementary School Waterline Replacement (Project 900-2022) to Aranda Industry, LLC, for an estimated amount of \$1,020,000, including a \$21,000 owner's contingency, and delegate authority to the Superintendent, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected company.

A motion was made by Ramon Garza and seconded by Wanda Johnson to approve the Construction Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0.

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 Interlocal Agreement with Harris County Department of Education Services – Highpoint East Campus for the term of August 28, 2023, through June 3, 2024, at an estimated cost to exceed \$125,400.
2. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of April 2023.
3. Consider approval of the renewal of Connect to Literacy for English online student licenses for the term of August 09, 2023, through May 31, 2024, from Summit K12 via HCDE Choice Partners 21016KN at an estimated amount of \$200,000.
4. Consider approval of the purchase of Seidlitz Education professional development services for the term of May 10, 2023, through May 10, 2024, from Seidlitz Education via TIPS Contract #200601 at an estimated amount of \$100,000.
5. Consider approval of the purchase of Dell computers and monitors for the term of May 9, 2023, through August 31, 2023, from Dell Computer Corporation via TX DIR-TSO-3763 at an estimated amount of \$85,000.
6. Consider approval of the purchase of science laboratory equipment for the term of May 9, 2023, through May 9, 2024, from Flinn Scientific via BuyBoard Contract #653-21 at an estimated amount of \$508,000.
7. Consider approval for the award of RFP 23-016 Chromebook Repairs for the period of May 9, 2023, through April 30, 2025, with Prime Systems, Trafera, LLC, and CDW Government LLC. for an estimated expenditure of \$350,000.
8. Consider approval for the award of RFP 23-011 University Interscholastic League Student Athletic Insurance for the period of August 1, 2023, through July 31, 2024, with Health Special Risk, Inc., at an estimated annual expenditure of \$250,000.
9. Consider approval of the purchase of a replacement sound system for the GPISD Stadium Complex (Lifecycle Project L194) from Southwest Building Systems, via Southeast Texas Purchasing Coop Region 5 Audio/Visual Category #20220702 for an estimated amount of \$60,000.
10. Consider approval of the purchase of backup network connections for the term of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028 from Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC via Omina R210804 at an estimated amount of \$741,000.
11. Consider approval of the purchase of the Cisco Umbrella cloud-based Cyber Security tools for the term of June 22, 2023, through June 22, 2026 from Netsync Network Solutions via Cisco Systems Texas DIR-TSO-4167 at an estimated amount of \$128,000.
12. Consider approval of the purchase of a 3-year license for Google Workspace for Education Plus for the term of July 24, 2023, through July 23, 2026, from CDW Government LLC via TIPS 200105 at an estimated amount of \$252,000.
13. Consider approval of the renewal of Skyward for the term of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, from Skyward, Inc. via Region 19 Contract # 17-7247 at an estimated amount of \$185,000.
14. Consider approval of the renewal of ClassLink software for the term of August 1, 2023, through July 31, 2024, from ClassLink, Inc. via TIPS Contract #200105 estimated amount of \$71,000.

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 5-0-0.

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 April 2023
2. Tax Collection Report - March 2023
3. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of March 31, 2023
4. Quarterly Investment Report for the Period of December 1, 2022, through February 28, 2023

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

1. Early Head Start 2022-2023 Self-Assessment and Action Plan
2. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes from March 2023
3. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary from March 2023

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.


Adrian Stephens, President

ATTEST:


Norma Hernandez, Secretary