GALENA PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Regular Meeting
Monday, December 11, 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, December 11, 2023 with the following members present: President, Noe Esparza; Vice President, Norma Hernandez; Secretary, Ramon Garza; Trustees: Wanda Heath Johnson, Adrian Stephens, Linda Clark Sherrard, Jose Jimenez and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:30 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.

At 5:50 p.m., Mr. Esparza announced that Executive Session was adjourned, and the Board would meet in Public Session for the following action on items discussed in Executive Session.

PUBLIC HEARING: At 5:50 p.m., Mr. Esparza called the Public Hearing to order and introduced Bryan Clements, Executive Director for Security and Technology, who conducted a Public Hearing to present the Technology Protection Measure and Internet Safety Policy.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING: At 6:01 p.m., Mr. Esparza called the meeting to order. Adrian Stephens opened the meeting with a prayer, Woodland Acres Middle School Army LOTC 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
 - Dr. John Moore, Galena Park ISD Superintendent, delivered a public comment recognizing Dr. David Harris, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Support & School Administration for his years of service to Galena Park ISD.
 - 2. Ms. Ida Rocha, delivered a public comment on behalf of the Long Range Planning Committee.

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

A. Business Partner:

- 1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the East Harris County Empowerment Council for partnering with the District to provide 100 turkey vouchers to our Hope for the Holidays service project.
- 2. Galena Park ISD will recognize the Fellowship of Purpose World Changers Youth Ministry for partnering with the District to provide 50 families with Thanksgiving baskets.
- B. Student:
- 1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the North Shore Senior High School Marching Band, directed by Shane Goforth, for advancing to the University Interscholastic League Conference 6A State Marching Band Contest.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- 1. Wanda Johnson wished everyone a Merry Christmas and to enjoy their time off.
- 2. Noe Esparza stated that he saw the Band State Competition and they did an amazing job.
- 3. Jose Jimenez thanked all the Band volunteers for doing an amazing job, and told the students to never give up.
- 4. Linda Sherrard acknowledged the long range planning committee for those that came out to the board meeting.

5. Norma Hernandez congratulated the North Shore Mustangs for going to state. The coaches, trainers, doctors, cheerleaders, drill team, band and community all do a great job.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT: Sam Harris, Director for Fine Arts and Academic Enrichment presented the Spotlight. The North Shore Senior High School Choir performed live.

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

CONSENT AGENDAS – ACTION: So that audience members might better understand the Consent Agenda process, Mr. Esparza 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. Esparza asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the General Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Adrian Stephens and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the General Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

Mr. Esparza 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 Contracting (JOC) method of project delivery/contract award for the North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Campus Auditorium Electrical Refurbishment, and the Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) method of project delivery/contract award for the Purple Sage Elementary School Restroom Renovations, North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Campus Chiller Replacements, and the Tice Elementary School Canopy Addition projects, which will provide the best value to the District.
- 2. Consider approval of the rooftop HVAC replacement for the William F. Becker Early Childhood Center (Lifecycle Project L208) by CFI Mechanical, Inc., via Choice Partners Contract #22/049MF-05, for an estimated amount not to exceed \$130,000 and delegate authority to the Superintendent, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract.
- 3. Consider approval of the selection of DBR Engineering Consultants, Inc. for the North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Campus Auditorium Electrical Refurbishment, Purple Sage Elementary School Restroom Renovations, and North Shore Senior High 9th Grade Campus Chiller Replacements and S. Chu Architects, Inc. for the Tice Elementary School Canopy Addition projects, and delegate authority to the Superintendent, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected firms, or alternate(s) if negotiations should fail.

A motion was made by Ramon Garza and seconded by Jose Jimenez to approve the Construction Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

Mr. Esparza 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 procurement of mechanical contracting, electrical, and plumbing services for the term of December 12, 2023, through August 31, 2024, from Star Service, Inc., via Choice Partners contract #23/039MR at an estimated annual expenditure of \$150,000.
- Consider approval of the license agreement with NRG Park to host the 2024 Graduation Ceremonies on May 26, 2024, for an estimated cost of \$150,000.
- 3. Consider approval of an order authorizing the Redemption and other matters relating to the Galena Park Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding, Series 2014.
- 4. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of November 2023.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Linda Sherrard to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

INFORMATION: The following documents were presented for information:

- A. Sonya Haidusek-Niazy, Chief Financial Officer/Deputy Superintendent for Operational Support, presented:
- 1. Tax Collection Report for October 2023
- 2. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of October 31, 2023
- B. Elizabeth Lalor, Deputy Superintendent for Educational Support and School Administration presented:
- 1. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes from October 2023
- 2. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary from October 2023

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Noe Esparza, President

ATTEST:

Ramon Garza, Secretary