

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

Special Meeting

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Administration Building of Galena Park Independent School District

14705 Woodforest Blvd.

Houston, TX 77015

4:40 PM

The Board of Trustees of Galena Park Independent School District met for a Special Meeting on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 with the following members present: President, Norma Hernandez; Secretary, Linda Clark Sherrard; Trustees: Adrian Stephens, Noe Esparza, Jose Jimenez, Amanda Erebia and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes. Vice President, Ramon Garza was absent.

PUBLIC HEARING: At 4:38 p.m., Mrs. Hernandez called the Public Hearing to order and introduced Mr. Ben Pape, Chief Financial Officer, who conducted a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget and Tax Rate. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING: At 4:41 p.m., Mrs. Hernandez called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEMS:

A. Public Comment for Posted Agenda Items

There were no public comments for posted agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDAS – ACTION: So that audience members might better understand the Consent Agenda process, Mrs. Hernandez 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. Hernandez 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 ratification of the Seesaw Learning Management System for the term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, from Seesaw Learning, Inc. via Tips 220802 at an estimated amount of \$115,000.
2. Consider approval of an order authorizing the issuance of Galena Park Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2024; providing for the award of the sale thereof in accordance with specified parameters; approving a preliminary official statement; and enacting other provisions relating thereto.
3. Consider approval of the recommended pool of underwriters the District can use for the 2024 Bond Projects and/or other projects the District deems necessary. The recommendation consists of a 12-member pool of underwriters. In the event a negotiated bond sale is determined to be the method of sale, the participating firms in the transaction will come from the 12-member pool of underwriting firms, and the participants will be based on the size of each bond sale.
Estrada Hinojosa & Company, Inc.
FHN Financial Capital Markets
Hilltop Securities Inc.
Huntington Capital Markets
J.P. Morgan Securities
Loop Capital Markets
Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.
Piper Sandler & Co.
Raymond James
RBC Capital Markets
Robert W. Baird & Co. Inc.
Stephens Inc.
4. Consider approval of the Proposed Budgets for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2025, for the General Fund, Food Service Fund, and Debt Service Fund as presented.
5. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of August 2024.

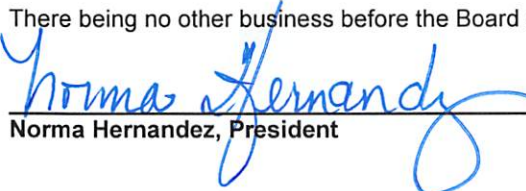
A motion was made by Jose Jimenez and seconded by Noe Esparza to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 4:44 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 5:11 p.m., Mrs. Hernandez announced that Executive Session was adjourned.

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.



Norma Hernandez, President

ATTEST:



Linda Clark Sherrard, Secretary