

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EAGLE PASS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees of the Eagle Pass Independent School District held a Special Board Meeting on October 18, 2017, at 6:00 PM in the District Service Center Boardroom, 1420 Eidson Road, Eagle Pass, TX 78852.

Board Members Present:

Ms. Lupita Fuentes, President
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Vice-President
Dr. Hector Alvarez, Secretary
Mr. Rudy Bowles, Trustee
Mr. Jorge Barrera, Trustee
Mr. Christopher Hiller, Trustee

Board Members Absent: Glenna Purcell, Trustee

Superintendent: Gilberto Gonzalez

Attorney: Richard Strieber, Escamilla & Poneck Law Firm.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Board President Lupita Fuentes called the meeting to order at 6:16 PM.

Trustee Alvarez made a quick announcement and addressed the Board and audience regarding the Girls & Boys Track & Field outcome and qualifications for Regionals on October 23, 2017, in Corpus Christi, TX.

II. DISTRICT REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. The Board will hear presentations from firms interested in entering into an energy savings performance contract with the district.** With the consensus of the Board, each firm was allowed a 10-minute presentation and the same questions, comments, and concerns were addressed to each firm as follows: Financing assistance, has company worked with the State of Texas Comptroller Program, does company have Performance & Payment Bonds, has company in any litigations, has company not ever met the savings, does company have guarantee savings, Pre-assessments, what is the value of the guarantee savings, what is the life expectancy of an HVAC, and will savings also include ranges of temperature/thermostats. *NOTE: The recorded audio of this meeting will explain each detailed question, comment and concern for each company making the presentation.*

The first presentation: TASB/E3 Integral Solutions Representatives. Their focus is transparency, flexibility, best value, and being neutral. Development & implement facility improvement programs that serve the needs of children, teachers, staff and taxpayers are what they do. Their approach is deferred maintenance & efficiency opportunities. The company will secure any savings above and beyond to the district. Programs that are available- financial benefits, spending the dollars on utilities or to invest the dollars on or within Eagle Pass ISD facilities. Firm showed recent projects saving updates references from districts throughout Texas. E3 concluded presentation by stating they're the only company that has a partnership with TASB, only focus is energy projects K-12 Texas School Districts, and TASB also provides educational opportunities in the classroom to promote energy awareness to students and staff. Always on hand to assist, and are solution independent. The company also assists if the districts' wish and the district may obtain any financing, however the ultimate responsibility for the repayment of the financing is the districts.

Johnson Control Company makes presentation- Performance Contracting established by statute-Texas Education Agency Section 44.901: Requires guaranteed savings, allows project to be funded over the lesser of the useful life of the equipment or 20 yrs. requires third party engineer to verify proposed savings calculations for contract, allows the district to make capital contributions over an or above guaranteed savings to meet all district facility needs in one turnkey contract. Johnson Controls provides training and support during and after installation, accurate as-built drawings, and measurement & Verification services that are clear and understandable and delivering the right technology. Johnson Controls reviewed the EPISD facilities to assess the potential for a successful comprehensive performance contract solutions. Johnson Controls are a Vendor Neutral Partner with in-house products being Metasys Controls, York Equipment, Lighting engineer solutions and Green solutions. Company process is focused on meeting the projects goals established by the district. In closing Johnson Control real time based system ensures that each project is delivered per the terms of the contract, has ongoing communication to minimize impact the classroom, full time site foreman, will issue a check if the saving are above and beyond, and thorough accurate as-build drawings.

MGM Martinez, Guy & Maybik, INC.- MGM addressed the experience which has performed surveys of similar magnitude and scope of services. Drawing examples were presented, some projected in Eagle Pass has included EPISD RVE school damage assessment, EPISD SAC Structural designs, Microtel Hotel/Huddle House, City of Eagle Pass International Bridge 1 Façade improvements, and EPISD LDC prelim drainage investigation. MGC Project Approach- Systematic, Perform thorough Deed Research, Provide good communication to all involved parties, foresight to anticipate problems, maintain adequate staff with necessary electronic equipment- 20to 3 survey crews, 4 survey CAD Techs, using total station 2/data collection system and GPS, able to acquire skilled workers if necessary, and recognition of the importance fo the work beyond platting. Stake holders involved are City of eagle Pass, Eagle Pass ISD, Maverick County and Public utility owners. In closing MGM is qualified, experienced and knowledgeable, ready to serve the interest of EPISD, staffed to complete the work in the anticipated tine and a multi-discipline engineering/surveying firm with added advantage to deal with engineering and complex issues hat may arise. A check will be issued of the amount over.

Schneider Electric- Representatives addressed the Board and Superintendent and stated that they align their expertise with district goals to develop comprehensive plan. Schneider Electric supports Master Plan for facilities to address enrollment needs in fiscally responsible manner, enhances learning environment to support recruitment & retention of professional, caring students, strengthens communication, involvement and cooperation within schools and community. Nurture professional culture of leadership, motivation, and creativity to fully meet student needs. Maximize funding, prioritize expenditures, and allocate necessary resources for student education needs. Implement technology meeting education and administration needs to enable students to learn to their fullest potential. Schneider Electric addressed the proven results and performance integrity, current challenges and Schneider Electric Benefits. The company has guaranteed energy saving and measured more than 90% of those saving at the utility meter, and has the most performance contracting experience with Texas k-12 clients. Should the saving be greater.... The company will issue a check to the district of those savings.

- 2. Presentation on the needs of campuses as per Board Facility Visits.** Maintenance and Facilities Director Pedro Felan made the presentation of the Campus Needs. The needs are based on the September 4, 2017, visit by the board members. All campus needs have been signed and verified by the Principals. Mr. Felan reviewed each campus need individually explaining the need and estimated cost for each campus. Some of the campus needs will come from the district's maintenance department account other costs will come from the 5 year plan. Some of the estimates are pending additional consideration

and recommendations. Davis Powell, Architect stated that for Graves, CCW, and EPH will have material provided by the district and labor will by the City of Eagle Pass. *NOTE: The presentation was updated before the meeting; therefore, board members did not have the same information. The needs remain the same; changes were mostly on the cost.) An updated report will be provided to the Board.* Board members questions, concerns and comments were addressed. Also, Trustee Alvarez would like to be kept informed about the City of Eagle Pass and Eagle Pass ISD Cross Country Trails, as they would like to help in what they are able too. Superintendent also stated he, Mr. Powell, Mr. Trevino, and Mr. Felan met with City Manager and proposed the sites, locations for the Cross Country Trails, which will be at both high schools, and the SAC. The City Manger was open to the idea and he was going to speak to the Mayor and Council for it if the district will put the material and the city would do the labor. The only exception would be the SAC as it is not in City Limits. Trustee Barrera commented that the city is looking into annexation.

III. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code:

The Board adjourned into **Closed Session at 8:41 PM** pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code: Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Bowles. Granted 6/0.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

1. The Board will consult with its attorney regarding legal issues relating to District construction projects and student matters. TGC 551.071.
2. Personnel Report.

IV. OPEN SESSION:

The meeting reconvened at 10:50 PM.

1. Consideration and possible action on district projects and student matters. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

V. ADJOURNMENT:

There, being no further business Eagle Pass ISD Board adjourned the meeting at 10:51 PM. **Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Barrera. Motion granted 6/0.**

WE AFFIRM THAT THESE MINUTES ARE OFFICIAL, COMPLETE, AND CORRECT.

PRESIDENT _____

SECRETARY _____

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: _____

DATE MINUTES SIGNED: _____

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES EAGLE PASS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees of the Eagle Pass Independent School District held a Regular Meeting on December 12, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. at De Luna Center 649 Madison Street located on 587 Madison Street, Eagle Pass, TX 78852.

Board Members Present:

Ms. Lupita Fuentes, Board President
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Board Vice-President
Ms. Glenna Purcell, Board Trustee
Mr. Rudy Bowles, Board Trustees
Mr. Jorge Barrera, Board Trustee
Mr. Christopher Hiller, Board Trustee

Board Members Absent: Dr. Hector Alvarez, Secretary

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Gilberto Gonzalez

Attorney: Mr. Richard Strieber, Escamilla & Poneck Law Firm

Staff Members and Visitors Present: The sign-in sheet hereby becomes a part of these minutes.

- I. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Board President, Lupita Fuentes called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Superintendent Gonzalez led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION/ RECOGNITIONS:** No one signed up for Citizen's Communication.
 1. **Presentation of Appreciation Plaque and recognition of Mr. Eduardo Treviño for his 47 years of service and dedication to Eagle Pass ISD.** Mr. Rudy Bowles, Trustee, accepted the award for Mr. Treviño who was not able to attend due to medical reasons and on his behalf thanked the Board, Superintendent, Administration and all those present for the recognition. A group picture was taken.
 2. **Recognition of Graves Elementary Tigerettes Dance Team.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer made the recognition of the dance team. A group picture was taken.
 3. **Recognition of CC Winn High School students Diego Jimenez-Mora and Lorena Aldape for receiving the Hispanic Heritage Youth Award.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board and Superintendent and recognized the CCW students for receiving the Hispanic Heritage Youth Award. A group picture was taken.
 4. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Varsity football Team for their outstanding 2017-2018 Season.** Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer addressed the Board and Superintendent and recognized the EPHS Varsity Football team for their outstanding Season 2017-18. A group picture was taken.
 5. **Recognition of Tom Gonzalez, Eagle Pass High School Head Football Coach, for being named District 29-5A Co-Coach of the Year for 2017.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board and Superintendent and announced the recognition of EPHS Coach Tom Gonzalez for being named District 29-5A Co-Coach of the 2017 Year. A group picture was taken.

6. **Recognition of San Luis Elementary for the highest energy conservation savings for the month of September 2017.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board and Superintendent and recognized San Luis Elementary for the energy conservation savings for the month of September 2017. A group picture was taken.
7. **Recognition of Rosita Valley Elementary for being selected as the most clean and maintained campus for the month of November 2017.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board and Superintendent and recognized RVE for being the most clean and maintained campus in November 2017. A group picture was taken.

IV. DISTRICT REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. **Financial Report.** No questions from the Board
2. **Utility Report.** No questions from the Board.
3. **Tax Collection Report.** No questions from the Board.
4. **Presentation of the 2017 Accountability Awards.** Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer addressed the Board and Superintendent and made the recognition of the campuses who Met Standard and received a 2017 Accountability Ratings & Distinctions Award. A group picture was taken for each campus.

V. ACTION ITEM:

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the Annual Financial Audit Report for the Year ended August 31, 2017. **Motion by Trustee Barrera second by Trustee Hiller to approve the Annual Financial Audit Report as presented. Motion Granted 6/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the Capital Projects Fund Budget. **AS PER THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD, THIS ITEM WAS TAKEN INTO CLOSED SESSION TO CONSULT WITH SCHOOL ATTORNEY.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to Adopt Resolution 2017/18-06 to vote for members to serve on the Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). **Motion by Trustee Purcell second by Trustee Bowles to vote for Lupita Fuentes, Hilda P. Martinez and Christopher Hiller to serve as members on the Board of Directors for the Maverick County Appraisal District. Motion Granted 6/0.**
4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the 2017-2018 Targeted Improvement Plan. Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Hiller to approve the 2017-18 Targeted Improvement Plan. **Motion Granted 6/0.**
5. Consideration and possible approval of a 25ft. drainage easement adjacent to **Pete Gallego Elementary.** Motion by Trustee Barrera second by Trustee Bowles to approve the 25ft. drainage easement adjacent to Gallego Elementary. **Motion carries 5/1 (Hiller)**
6. Consider and possible approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the **Eagle Pass ISD Police Department and the City of San Antonio Police Department.** Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Purcell to approve the MOU between Eagle Pass ISD PD Dept. and the City of San Antonio Police Department. **Motion Granted 6/0.** School Attorney Strieber stated he added an Indemnification Provision to the original MOU San

Antonio PD had provided which did not include the provision. And yes, Chief Ramos is correct about making us liable, except the SAPD will not hold us responsible directly, they are indemnifying the district and police officers, but of course, thru a legal process any party does have the option to try to go after the officer, his training, his department, etc.

7. Consideration and possible approval of adult meal price for breakfasts and lunches served by the Eagle Pass ISD school cafeterias as per the Texas Department of Agriculture Adult Meal Calculator Worksheet. **Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Martinez to approve \$4.50 Lunch & \$2.50 Breakfast to be in compliance with Texas Department of Agriculture. Granted 6/0.**
8. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the Procurement Method of Competitive Sealed Proposal and the ranking criteria for Band hall Expansion at Eagle Pass High School in accordance with Board Policy CV, CVB, and State Guidelines. **AS PER THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD, THIS ITEM WAS TAKEN INTO CLOSED SESSION TO CONSULT WITH SCHOOL ATTORNEY.**

VI. CONSENT:

It was the Consensus of the Board to consider item(s) 1-5 in One Motion. **Motion by Trustee Barrera second by Trustee Hiller. Motion Granted 6/0.**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2017, (Regular), November 28, 2017, (Special), and December 7, 2017, (Workshop) Board Meetings. **Item previously considered.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept Southwest Texas Junior College Diesel Mechanic Coop student to complete their on the job training hours at EPISD Transportation Mechanic Shop. **Item previously considered.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the Articulation Agreement between Eagle Pass ISD and Southwest Texas Junior College-Local Advanced Skills Program for the 2017-18 School Year. **Item previously considered.**
4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to donate an old transmission to Southwest Texas Junior College Diesel Mechanic Shop. **Item previously considered.**
5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept a donation from the Pan American Round Table for Christmas Gifts for children enrolled in the Eagle Pass ISD Parent and Community Education Center. **Item previously considered.**

VII. **CLOSED SESSION:** Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code:

The Board adjourned into **Closed Session at 7:30 PM** pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code: **Motion by Trustee Purcell second by Trustee Bowles. Granted 6/0.**

Personnel Matters:

1. The Board will discuss the request to hire a professional employee to serve as Deputy Superintendent for District Operations subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent.

2. The Board will discuss the request to hire a professional employee to serve as Food Service Director Subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent.

NOTE: The Board will also consult with its attorney regarding Actions Items 2 & 8.

VIII. OPEN SESSION:

The meeting reconvened at 8:26 PM.

Consider and take appropriate action on item(s) discussed in Closed Session.

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the request to hire a professional employee to serve as Deputy Superintendent for District Operations subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. **Motion by Trustee Barrera second by Trustee Bowles to hire Rolando Salinas as Deputy Superintendent for District Operations, subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. Motion granted 6/0.** Comment by Trustee Barrera: The Board will support Mr. Rolando Salinas to go into this position and do his job... and to know that he has the Board's support.
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire a professional employee to serve as Food Service Director subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. Motion by Trustee Hiller, second by Trustee Bowles to hire Mario Garcia to serve as Food Service Director subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. **Motion Granted 6/0.**

ACTION ITEMS 2 & 8:

2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the Capital Projects Fund Budget. Superintendent Gonzalez made a recommendation recalling that \$1.1 million was allocated for the Band Hall Expansion... Therefore his recommendation is that \$1 million is moved in addition to \$974K that was allocated for the parking lot at Eagle Pass High School be reserved for next year for the Band Hall and the \$100,000 left from the \$1.1 million to be used for Eagle Pass High School practice baseball field lights, and the rest of the recommendations on the book have not been changed. **Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Hiller to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. Granted 6/0.**
8. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the Procurement Method of Competitive Sealed Proposal and the ranking criteria for Band Hall Expansion at Eagle Pass High School in accordance with Board Policy CV, CVB, and State Guidelines. **Item was tabled.**

IX. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION:

1. School Board Members Continuing Education Credit Hours.

Board President Fuentes announced the School Board Members Continuing Education Credit Hours as follows:

Hilda P. Martinez	Hector Alvarez	Glenna Purcell	Rudy Bowles	Jorge Barrera	Christopher Hiller	Lupita Fuentes
8.25 hrs	7.0 hrs	7.0 hrs	8.25 hrs	20.25 hrs	20.25 hrs	8.25 hrs

Superintendent Announcements: Chamber of Commerce Community Breakfast, Christmas posadas, and breakfast' throughout the district. GED Graduation and Last day of school before holiday Dec. 22, 2017.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM. **Motion by Trustee Martinez, and second by Trustee Barrera. Motion Granted 6/0.**

WE AFFIRM THAT THESE MINUTES ARE OFFICIAL, COMPLETE, AND CORRECT.

PRESIDENT _____ SECRETARY _____

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