



Minutes of Regular Meeting The Board of Trustees Galveston Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Galveston Independent School District was held August 7, 2024, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

Audio visual recording of this meeting can be found online at: <https://gisd.viebit.com/index.php?folder=ALL>

Trustees in attendance: All present

Staff in attendance: Post, Martello, Polzin, Patrick, Scott, Le Puritt, Dickerson, Grant, Dudas, Neighbors, Bly

- 1) Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas. –6:01
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. –6:01
- 3) Citizen's Request to Address the Board on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items. Please complete sign-up sheets available in the lobby prior to the start of the meeting. –6:02
Joy Cowan - Spoke about Share your school supplies drive and thanked Mike Dudas.
Mike Dudas - Spoke about Share your school supplies drive.
- 4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest. –6:07 none
- 5) District Reports –6:07
 - A) Superintendent's Report –6:07 *Spoke about the district profile. Also gave an update from hurricane Beryl.*
 - B) Board Committee Reports –6:10
 - 1) Policy Committee –6:10 *Report given by Chair, Mr. David O'Neal*
 - 2) Facilities/Finance Committee –6:17 *Report given by Chair, Mr. Johnny Smecca*
- 6) Financial Reports and Budget Update –6:28 *Report given by Chair, Mr. Johnny Smecca*
- 7) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items –6:34 *Motion by Brown. Second*
 - A) Discuss and consider Approval of 2024 Proposed Tax Rate to be Published in Notice of Public Hearing –6:34 *Motion by Brown. Second by Jobe. Discussion. Motion approved unanimously.*
 - B) Schedule Public Meeting to Discuss the 2024 Proposed Tax Rate and the 2024-2025 Proposed Budget –6:40 *Motion by Smecca to approve the August 28th meeting date. Second by Masel. Discussion. Motion approved unanimously.*
 - C) Discuss and consider approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Artist Boat, Inc. and Galveston Independent School District for Real Property Acquisition –6:42 *Motion by Smecca. Second by Lakin. Discussion. Motion passed. Beeton, Smecca, Lakin, and O'Neal in favor. Brown, Jobe, and Masel against.*
 - D) Consider Board action regarding proposed termination of term contract employee. –7:00 *Moved until after the executive session.*
- 8) The Board may recess into Closed Executive Session in the Library as permitted by the Texas Open Meeting Act Government Code Sections 551.071- 551.090 Subchapter D and E. –7:01
Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the School Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting then the final action, final decision, or final vote shall be either:
 - A) in the open meeting covered by the Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting; or
 - B) at a subsequent public meeting of the School Board upon notice thereof; as the School Board shall determine.
 - A) Consultation with Attorney (Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.071) - Consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or matters in which the duty of the attorney to the school district under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the state's open meetings laws.
 - B) Personnel Matters (Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.074) – Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, dismissal or resignation of an employee or employees, including the Superintendent.
 - C) Real Property (Tex. Govt Code Section 551.072) – Discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate in which the discussion in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the ability of the school district to negotiate with a third party.

- D) Prospective Gifts or Donations (Tex. Govt Code Section 551.073) – Discuss prospective gifts or donations to the Galveston Independent School District and/or individual campuses, programs or facilities.
- E) Network Security, Security Devices and Security Audits (Tex. Govt Code Sections 551.076 and 551.089) – Discuss Network security information; a security audit; the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices; or security assessment or deployments related to information resources technology.
- 9) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees.. –7:47
Summary of executive session given by Jobe.
Item D from the Regular agenda: Consider Board action regarding proposed termination of term contract employee. – 7:48 Motion by Brown. Second by Jobe. Motion approved unanimously.
- 10) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items –7:48 *Motion by Smecca. Second by O’Neal. Discussion. Motion approved unanimously.*
- A) Consider approval of the minutes from the June 26, 2024, Regular School Board Meeting and the July 24, 2024, Special Meeting.
- B) Consider approval of personnel resignations and recommendations with contracts.
- C) Discuss and consider approval of payment of attorney fees.
- D) Consider approval of Budget Amendments
- E) Discuss and consider accepting donations in accordance with Board Policy CDC Local.
- F) Discuss and consider the Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding for the Coastal Alternative Program (CAP) for the 2024-2025 school year.
- G) Discuss and consider approval of the renewal of the Workers’ Compensation coverage with TASB
- H) Discuss and consider approval of the 2024-2025 Resolution sanctioning the Galveston County 4-H Organization as an extracurricular program and approval of adjunct faculty agreement to recognize Galveston County Cooperative Extension Agents as adjunct faculty members for the 2024-2025 school year.
- I) Discuss and consider the approval to use Galveston Career-Connect grant funds for tuition and expenses for high school students enrolled in Galveston College courses during the 2024-2025 school year, for an amount not to exceed \$550,000.
- J) Discuss and consider approval of the Student Code of Conduct for 2024-2025.
- K) Discuss and consider the adoption of Local District Update 123 affecting the policies listed below.
- L) Discuss and approve changes to policy DEC (LOCAL)
- M) Discuss and consider approval of changes to policy DED (LOCAL)
- N) Discuss and consider an Order Calling Regular Single Member School Board Trustee Election for Districts 1A, 3C, and 4D on November 5, 2024.
- O) Public Funds Investment Act Annual Compliance
- P) Discuss and consider approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (s) with Big Brothers and Big Sisters for Austin Elementary School, Weis Middle School, Central Middle School, and Ball High School.
- Q) Discuss and consider approval of resolution to authorize compensation of employees for days when District was closed due to inclement weather.
- R) Discuss and consider Resolution to join Region 16 ESC Statewide Cooperative Purchasing Program, TexBuy.
- S) Update GKD-R – Use of School Facilities
- T)
 Discuss and consider approval of agreement for the purchase of attendance credit, delegating contractual authority to the superintendent for the purpose of obligating the school district under tec, 11.1511(c)(4), solely for the purpose of obligating the district under chapter 49, subchapters a and d and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under tec, 49.006 related to excess local revenue
- U) Consider renewal of RFQ 2021-22-017 Geotechnical Engineering, Environmental Assessment, & Construction Materials Testing
- V) Discuss and consider endorsing candidates for the TASB Board of Directors – Region IV – Positions A, C and G.
- W) Consider exploring PK partnerships as way to expand early learning to more eligible students.
- 11) Suggested Future Agenda Items –7:50 none
- 12) COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES –7:50
Masel - Reminder about the school supply drive on Friday morning.
Jobe - Reminder about convocation August 16th at 2pm.
O’Neal - Great job at new teacher luncheon.

Brown - Longshoremen will be conducting a school drive August 13th from 9a to 1pm.

Smecca - Jonah Williams will announce his college of choice August 24th

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0415, Trustees may report on any of the following items:

1. Expressions of thanks, gratitude, and condolences
 2. Information regarding holiday schedules
 3. Honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen
 4. Reminders regarding GISD events
 5. Reminders regarding community events
 6. Health and safety announcements
- 13) Adjournment – 7:52

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on August 28, 2024

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Shae Jobe, Secretary