

Minutes of Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees Galveston Independent School District

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Galveston Independent School District was held May 11, 2022, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

*Board members in attendance: David O’Neal, Shae Jobe, Tony Brown, Johnny Smecca
Board members absent: Ann Masel and Mindy Lakin. Additionally, due to extenuating circumstances beyond her control, Elizabeth Beeton arrived late, as the meeting adjourned. She therefore did not participate in the vote taken below, which occurred before her arrival.
Staff members in attendance: Dr. Gibson, Stephanie Mendoza, Matthew Neighbors, Dyann Polzin, Ian Rogers, and Amy Bly*

1) Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas --5:30

2) 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. --5:30
Rebecca Terrell – Commented about her performance and requested the board be fair.

3) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items --5:34

A) Discuss and Consider administration’s recommendation to terminate the probationary contract of a teacher at Austin Middle School. --5:34 *Mr. Brown read this agenda item. He noted that while discussions concerning individual district employees are normally held in closed executive session, the employee at issue in this item had exercised her right to have the matter discussed in open session, pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code § 551.074. Mr. Brown also noted that Trustees had received written information on this matter. Mr. Brown then Moved that the Board accept the staff recommendation and vote to terminate Ms. Rebecca Terrell’s contract at the end of its term and not renew her contract for the 2022-2023 school year. The Motion was Seconded by Mr. Smecca. At Mr. Brown’s request, Dr. Gibson then summarized information previously provided in writing to Trustees concerning the teacher, Ms. Rebecca Terrell, stating that staff’s recommendation was that Ms. Terrell’s probationary one-year contract be terminated at the end of its term and not be renewed for the 2022-2023 school year. There being no further questions from Trustees, the question was called for a vote. The four Board members present voted unanimously in favor of Mr. Brown’s motion.*

B) Discuss and consider canvass of the May 7, 2022 School Bond Election results. --5:40 *Dr. Gibson and Mr. Brown reported that the Galveston County Clerk’s Office, which conducts elections for the District by Interlocal agreement, has not yet provided its final report of the May 7, 2022 Bond Election; therefore this matter would have to be deferred. A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held next Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to canvass the votes, and the regularly-scheduled Finance Committee*

Meeting will follow immediately thereafter.

4) Adjournment --5:41 (*As noted above, Ms. Beeton was late due to extenuating circumstances beyond her control; she arrived as the meeting was adjourned.*)

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on May 18, 2022

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Shae Jobe, Secretary