



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 May 20, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

The subjects discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown.

BOT in attendance: Brown, Masel, Smecca, O'Neal, Tucker, Lakin, Beeton

Staff in attendance: Post, Patrick, Martello, Scott, Dudas, Polzin, Longoria, F. Brown, Mueller, Le, Grant, Noah, Adkins, Beard, Murphy, Ramirez, Edenfield, Pillar, Camp, Rivas, Ives, Neighbors, Bly

- 1) Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas. —6:00
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. —6:00 *Led by the students receiving their citizenship awards.*
- 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. —6:01

Karla Klay gave an update on the land acquisition.

- 4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest. —6:03 *None*

- 5) District Reports —6:03

A) Superintendent's Report

- 1) Citizenship Awards —6:03 *Announced by Dr. Scott*
- 2) Bonsai Retirement —6:11
- 3) New staff presentation —6:13 *Administrative recommendations - Dr. Flo Adkins will be the new HR director and Dr. Miller Beaird will be the new Chief Academic Officer.*
- 4) Outdoor Education Presentation —6:17 *by Casey McAuliffe and staff of Groundswell.*

B) Board Committee Reports —6:35

- 1) Facilities/Finance Committee—6:35 *Reported by Chair- Mr. Johnny Smecca including the financial reports and budget update.*

- 6) Financial Reports and Budget Update

Brown added that the golf team placed second in the Chamber of commerce tournament.

- 7) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items—8:00

A) Discuss and Consider Approval of GMP New Ball High School South Building Addition Package #7D—8:00 *Motion by Beeton to postpone. Second by Masel. Discussion to set a date. Addition to the motion by Beeton to meet at 5:45 at Moody Gardens on May 28th. Second by Masel. Motion passed. Beeton, O'Neal, Tucker, Masel, Smecca and Lakin in favor. Brown Absent.*

- 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. —6:43

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, SB 10 consultation, 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; District Vulnerability Assessment Full Report; 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. —8:00 *Summary of executive session given by Lakin.*
- 10) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items —8:03 *Motion by Beeton. Second by Masel. No discussion. Motion passed. Beeton, O'Neal, Tucker, Masel, Smecca, and Lakin in favor. Brown absent.*
- A) Consider approval of the minutes from the April 22, 2026, Regular School Board Meeting and the May 13, 2026, Special School Board.
 - 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 approval of Officer Brittany Hines to purchase her partner k-9 Officer “Bonsai” from Galveston Independent School District
 - G) Discuss and Consider Approval of the proposed contractor for Bid Packages #18 Auditorium Smoke Hatches (furnish/install) for use on the Ball High School South Renovation Project.
 - H) Discuss and consider approval to Purchase the Audio Enhancement Solutions.
 - I) Discuss and consider approval to Purchase Newline 86-inch Interactive Display Panel Bundle through HOWARD Technology Solution.
 - J) Discuss and consider approval to Purchase the Structured Cabling Installation
 - K) Discuss and Consider Approval of the proposed MOU for the Groundswell Outdoor Learning Educator Program
 - L) Discuss and consider purchasing IXL Math Supplemental software for grades K-8 for two years using TKP Afterschool funds for an amount not to exceed \$115,000.
 - M) Discuss and consider approval for the purchase of NWEA testing software for the 2026-2027 school year using IMTA funds for an amount not to exceed \$80,000.
 - N) Discuss and consider approval to purchase the Studies Weekly Social Studies curriculum for Kindergarten through Grade 6 for a four-year period using IMTA and/or IMRA funds in the amount of \$129,500.
 - O) Discuss and consider approval of a resolution for a Good Cause Exception for Alamo.
- 11) Suggested Future Agenda Items —8:04 *none*
- 12) COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
- O'Neal spoke of events with graduates. Thanks to Groundswell and Young Gardeners' Program.*
- Tucker – Congratulations to the Seniors.*
- Masel – Announce that Dr. Neighbors is being honored as a finalist for citizen of the year.*

Smecca – Announced that Coach Key passed away and there will be a celebration being held for him at the stadium next Saturday. On June 1st, Ball High choir will be singing the National Anthem and the Davies Gulf Copper ribbon cutting. June 2nd will be the Sand Crabs opening night.

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 —8:10

Approved on June 17, 2026

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Mindy Lakin, Secretary