



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 September 23, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

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

Staff in attendance: Beaird, Hernandez, Martello, Scott, Patrick, Post, Brown, Beafneaux, Chambers, Mendoza, Goldner, Grant, Pruitt, Le, Murphy, Archer, Burson, Carey, Dudas, and Bly

- 1) Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas. ~6:00pm
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. ~6:01 *Led by Madison Gaido and Avery Moore, Varsity Volleyball players.*
- 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. ~6:04 *None*
- 4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest. ~6:04
- 5) District Reports
 - A) Superintendent's Report ~6:04
 - 1) Purple Star Campus Designation ~6:04
 - 2) Campus/ District Improvement Plans - Dr. Scott ~6:08
 - 3) Ball High Cafeteria ~6:28
 - 4) Hispanic Heritage Month ~6:50
 - 5) Support for Campuses ~6:52
 - 6) AIM Recognition ~7:05
 - 7) STAAR analysis and enrollment update ~7:07
 - B) Board Committee Reports
 - 1) Facilities/Finance Committee Chair- Mr. Johnny Smecca ~7:41
- 6) Financial Reports and Budget Update ~6:00pm
- 7) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items
 - A) Discuss and consider action relating to Cause No. 25-CV-2117, State of Texas v. Galveston ISD, et al, In the 122nd District Court of Galveston County Texas, following remand of case from Federal Court. ~7:52 *Defer until after executive session and consultation with attorney. ~9:56 Motion by O'Neal to move that the board not take any action until after the court hearing. Second by Beeton. Discussion. Motion passed. 5-2.*

<i>1A-Beeton YES</i>	<i>2B-O'Neal YES</i>	<i>3C-Tucker YES</i>	<i>4D-Brown NO</i>
<i>5E-Masel NO</i>	<i>6F-Smecca YES</i>	<i>7G-Lakin YES</i>	

- 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. ~7:53

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)

1) Address legal questions or issues raised by Trustees.

2) Cause No. 25-CV-2117, State of Texas v. Galveston Independent School District et al

B) Personnel Matters (Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.074)

1) 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)

1) 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)

1) 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)

1) Discuss the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices

2) Discuss security assessment or deployments related to information resources technology

3) Discuss Texas School Safety Reports.

4) Review and discuss EOP and reunification plan

9) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees. ~9:56

10) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items ~9:56 *Motion to approve with the exception of Items O, BB and DD by Masel. Second by Beeton. Discussion. Motion passed. 7-0.*

1A-Beeton YES

2B-O'Neal YES

3C-Tucker YES

4D-Brown YES

5E-Masel YES

6F-Smecca YES

7G-Lakin YES

A) Consider approval of the minutes from the August 26, 2026, Regular School Board Meeting.

B) Consider approval of personnel resignations and recommendations with contracts.

C) Discuss and consider approval of payment of attorney fees.

D) Discuss and consider accepting donations in accordance with Board Policy CDC Local.

E) Discuss and consider the approval to use Galveston Career-Connect grant funds for tuition and expenses for high school students attending Galveston College courses in the 2026-2027 school year, for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.

F) Consider approval for an out of state trip to New York City through Green Light Tours and Troen Music Festivals for Ball High Choir at Ball High School March 29-April 1, 2027

G) Discuss and consider cleaning supply and equipment purchases from Kleen Supplies Company for the GISD Facilities and Child Nutrition Departments in FY27

H) Discuss and consider plumbing, electrical, and hvac supply purchases from Coburn Supply for the GISD Facilities Department in FY27

I) Discuss and consider electrical purchases from Crescent Electrical for the GISD Facilities and Child Nutrition Departments in FY27

J) Discuss and consider custodial, hvac, and plumbing supply purchases from Ferguson Facilities for the GISD Facilities Department in FY27

K) Discuss and Consider Approval of Crenshaw Fencing Project

L) Discuss and consider approval for the District Goals and Performance Objectives for 2026-2027

M) Discuss and consider approval for the campus goals and performance objectives as presented in the campus plans.

N) Discuss and consider approval of the Appointment of Legal Counsel for FY27

O) Consider adding protective film to sky bridge across Ave O connecting Ball North to Ball South as a deterrent to birds flying into structure. -10:18 Motion by Beeton to approve. Second by Masel. Beeton amended the motion to say, "I move that the board of trustees cooperate with the American Bird Conservancy and the Galveston island nature tourism council in their efforts to find funding for protective bird film on the bridge by January 2028." Second by Masel. Discussion. Motion passed 7-0.

1A-Beeton YES

2B-O'Neal YES

3C-Tucker YES

4D-Brown YES

5E-Masel YES

6F-Smecca YES

7G-Lakin YES

P) Consider renaming classrooms at Ball High School to recognize and celebrate contributions toward the Allied Health Sciences.

Q) Discuss and consider approval of the purchase of trash services from Republic Services for the GISD Facilities and Child Nutrition Departments in FY27.

R) Discuss and consider food purchases from Gordon Food Company for the Child Nutrition Department in FY27

S) Discuss and consider the purchase of milk products from Hiland Dairy Company for the Child Nutrition Department in FY27

T) Discuss and consider fresh fruit and produce purchases from Dairyland Produce (Hardie's) Company for the Child Nutrition Department in FY27

U) Discuss and consider fuel purchases from Mansfield Oil Company for the Transportation Department in FY27

V) Discuss and Consider Approval of RFP Multi-Function Copiers NO. 2023-24-01 Expense for 26-27

W) Discuss and consider professional service expenditures for Licensed Specialists in School Psychology and Speech Pathology from National Recruiting Consultants in FY27

X) Discuss and consider professional service expenditures for Licensed Specialists in School Psychology from Tiffany Lyday in FY27

Y) Discuss and consider professional service expenditures for Speech Pathology from Milestones Matter in FY27

Z) Discuss and consider professional service expenditures for Speech Pathology from Seagull Services in FY27

AA) Discuss and consider adoption of a Board Resolution identifying Hazardous Traffic Routes

BB) Discuss and consider request for a variance from Section 4-1(a) of the Galveston City Code in regard to the sale of alcoholic beverages within three hundred feet of any school in the city. -10:27 Item deferred until next month.

CC) Discuss and Consider approval of Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the Regular School Trustee Election for District 5-E and 6-F

DD) Discuss and consider approval of Employee Travel Reimbursement Rates for fiscal year 2026-2027 -10:22 Motion by O'Neal to approve. Second by Masel. Discussion. Motion passed 7-0.

1A-Beeton YES

2B-O'Neal YES

3C-Tucker YES

4D-Brown YES

5E-Masel YES

6F-Smecca YES

7G-Lakin YES

EE) Discuss and consider FMG-R –Student Travel

FF) Discuss and Consider Approval of Summit Doors & Hardware for Bid Package #22 (Interior Doors & Hardware) for use on the Ball High School South Renovation Project

GG) Discuss and Consider Approval of Irwin Seating for Bid Package #22 (Fixed Auditorium Seating) for use on the Ball High School South Renovation Project

HH) Discuss and consider the approval of the GISD Regulation GKD-R – Use of School Facilities

11) Suggested Future Agenda Items -10:27 Tucker asked what interventions are being used and at what grade levels. Also about new instructional approaches in Dr. Beaird's slide show and what subjects are they being used in. Masel suggested they be addressed at the next curriculum meeting so there would be more time to discuss. Tucker requested it be a part of the next superintendent's report

or be an agenda item at the next regular meeting. The next curriculum meeting will be held October 26th.

12) COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES -10:30

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

O'Neal would like to applaud the board for having committee meetings because it keeps regular meetings shorter.

Masel also applauded the board for being respectful of each other.

13) Adjournment -10:30

Approved on October 28, 2026

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Mindy Lakin, Secretary