

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 November 15, 2023, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

All trustees present

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

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.

- 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. –6:01 *Led by Scout Troop 177.*
- 3) Discuss and consider canvass of the November 7, 2023 School Trustee Election results for single-member District 5E. –6:01 *Read by Tony Brown.*
- 4) Administer Oath of Office to Single-Member District 5-E and 6-F. –6:02 *Administered by Judge Jeff Jones, presiding Judge of 122nd district court.*
- 5) 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. –6:06
Fredell Rosen - Spoke about school chaplains.
Rocky Malloy - Spoke about school chaplains.
Rusty Carnes - Read a letter from the Sheriff concerning school chaplains.
Marlo Dowdy - Spoke about school chaplains.
Donna Louth - Spoke about school chaplains.
Heather Gates - Spoke about school chaplains.
Rebecca Goodwin - Spoke about rezoning of Rosenberg Elementary school.
Constance Rivers - Spoke about school chaplains.
Bob Brown - Spoke about rezoning of Rosenberg Elementary school.
Chad Smith - Spoke about school chaplains.
Central Middle school Dancing Dolls invited the board to their show, Friday, December 8th.
- 6) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest. –6:34 *Brown abstaining on GCAD*
- 7) District Reports –6:35
 - A) MECC Report and PreK data –6:36 *presented by Mary Patrick and Lisa Long 6:48 Questions from the board.*
 - B) Teen Health –6:54 *presented by Angie Brown. 7:06 Questions from the board.*
 - C) Board Committee Reports –7:20
 - 1) Policy Committee –7:20 *Report given by Chair, Mr. David O'Neal*
 - 2) Facilities/Finance Committee –7:20 *Report given by Chair, Mr. Johnny Smecca*
- 8) Financial Reports and Budget Update *included in Finance report given by Mr. Smecca.*
- 9) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items –7:26 *Request to pull item G to Regular Agenda.*

- A) Discuss and consider casting votes for the Galveston Central Appraisal District Board of Directors. –7:26 *Motion by Smecca to cast 554 votes to Tom Farmer. Second by O’Neal. No discussion. 6 in favor. Brown abstained.*
- B) Discuss and Consider Approval of GMP #4C to include Mechanical Package (North Building) –7:28 *Motion to approve GMP #4C for \$16,434,018 by Beeton. Second by Jobe. Discussion. All in favor*
- C) Discuss and Consider Approval of Construction-Manager-Agent Construction Delivery Method for Stadium Press Box and Additional Stadium Completion Items, Delegation of Procurement Authority for CMA and related construction contractors, and Related Actions.–7:30 *Motion by Masel. Second by Smecca. Discussion. All in favor. From Consent agenda, Item 12G: Discuss and consider approval of SB 763 resolution regarding school chaplains. –7:33 Discussion. Motion by Brown to defer and refer to a policy meeting. Second by Jobe. Discussion. 6 in favor. Masel opposed.*
- 10) 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. –8:09

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) Personnel
- B) Consultation with Attorney
- C) Real Property
- D) Security

11) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees. –9:03

Overview of closed session given by Jobe.

12) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items –9:03 *Motion to approve the consent agenda except for item G by Masel. Second by Lakin. No discussion. All in favor.*

- A) Consider approval of the minutes from the October 18, 2023 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) Consider approval of Budget Amendments
- E) Discuss and consider accepting donations in accordance with Board Policy CDC Local.
- F) Consider approval for an out of state trip to New York City on April 5-8, 2024. The Ball High Golden Voices (63 students) will be participating in the Big Apple Classic Music Festival competition at Felician University in Rutherford, New Jersey.
- G) *Discuss and consider approval of SB 763 resolution regarding school chaplains.*
- H) Discuss and consider the approval of the Proclamation 2024 Textbook Committee Members.
- I) Discuss and consider approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (s) with Big Brothers and Big Sisters for Burnet Elementary School.

J) Discuss and Consider the Approval of the proposal from Musco Sports Lighting LCC for the Tennis Court Lighting Relocation for the New Ball High School Construction Project

K) Discuss and consider approval of purchase of a New Heating Boiler for the Moody Early Childhood Center Building

L) Discuss and consider the approval of a change order for protective netting at the Central Middle School Gymnasium.

13) Suggested Future Agenda Items –9:05

O’Neal - Take a closer look at our CIS program.

14) COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES –9:05

O’Neal would like to announce that Debra Jones, former school board trustee, has died and asked for a moment of silence.

Smecca would like to thank District 6F and those who continue to support him.

Lakin would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Brown congratulated the football team on an excellent season.

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

15) Adjournment –9:08

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on December 20, 2023

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Shae Jobe, Secretary