

## AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AGENDA

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(A) ☐ Report Only☐ Recognition

Presenter(s):

Briefly describe the subject of the report or recognition presentation.

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(B) ☐ Action Item

Presenter(s): MR. SAMUEL MIJARES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Briefly describe the action required.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 10, 2023 (REGULAR) AND THE NOVEMBER 16, 2023 (REGULAR) BOARD MEETINGS.
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(C) Funding source: Identify the source of funds if any are required.

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(D) Clarification: Explain any questions or issues that might be raised regarding this item.

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Minutes of the Board of Trustees  
Eagle Pass Independent School District

The Board of Trustees of the Eagle Pass Independent School District held a Regular Board Meeting on October 10, 2023 at 5:45 PM at District Service Center Austin Building, 587 Madison St., Eagle Pass, TX. 78852.

**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Jorge Barrera, Board President  
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Board Vice – Entered 5:52 PM  
Dr. Hector Alvarez, Board Secretary  
Ms. Lupita Fuentes, Board Trustee  
Ms. Glenna Purcell, Board Trustee  
Mr. Christopher Hiller, Board Trustee  
Mr. Victor E. Perry, Board Trustee

**Superintendent of Schools:** Mr. Samuel Mijares

**Attorney:** Mr. Richard Strieber, Escamilla & Poneck Law Firm

- I. **Meeting Called to Order:** Board President, Jorge Barrera called the meeting to order at 5:48 P.M.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Superintendent Mijares led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Public Hearing – “School First” Rating (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas) –**  
Open at: 5:49 PM      Closed at: 5:49 PM – No one signed up
- IV. **Citizen's Communication – No one signed up**

**Recognitions –**

1. **Recognition of Ms. Eva Mireles (+), EPHS Graduate, for her heroic action and dedication to the students of Robb Elementary from Uvalde CISD.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Ms. Eva Mireles (+), EPHS Graduate, for her heroic action and dedication to the students of Robb Elementary from Uvalde CISD. A group picture was taken.
2. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Diamond Dance Team Seniors Ilse Ninette Fernandez, Alyson Morales, Lorelei Crocker, Ivanna Riojas, Tracie Leos and Farah Mendoza for earning All American Awards for being recognized at the Universal Dance Association (UDA) Home Camp.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass High School Diamond Dance Team Seniors Ilse Ninette Fernandez, Alyson Morales, Lorelei Crocker, Ivanna Riojas, Tracie Leos and Farah Mendoza for earning All American Awards for being recognized at the Universal Dance Association (UDA) Home Camp. A group picture was taken.

3. **Recognition of twenty-three CC Winn High School students for being awarded the National Hispanic Recognition Award (NHRA) or the National Rural & Small-Town Award (NRSTA) or both awards by the College Board.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized twenty-three CC Winn High School students for being awarded the National Hispanic Recognition Award (NHRA) or the National Rural & Small-Town Award (NRSTA) or both awards by the College Board. A group picture was taken.
4. **Recognition of Carlos Longoria for his outstanding performance on the College Board Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in 2022 and for being selected to participate in the STARS Fly-in Program at Columbia University.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Carlos Longoria for his outstanding performance on the College Board Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in 2022 and for being selected to participate in the STARS Fly-in Program at Columbia University. A group picture was taken.
5. **Recognition of Sergio Long for being selected as semifinalist in the 2024 Merit Scholarship Program and for being awarded the 2023 Horatio Alger State Scholarship Award.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Sergio Long for being selected as semifinalist in the 2024 Merit Scholarship Program and for being awarded the 2023 Horatio Alger State Scholarship Award. A group picture was taken.
6. **Recognition of Gracie Garcia for being selected into the Fly-in Program to visit Brown University.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Gracie Garcia for being selected into the Fly-in Program to visit Brown University. A group picture was taken.

#### **V. District Reports/Presentations**

1. **Financial Report.** No questions from the Board.
2. **Utility Report.** No questions from the Board.
3. **Tax Collection Report.** No questions from the Board.
4. **Review Investment Officer's Annual Report of Investment Transactions for all funds for the quarter ended August 31, 2023.** No questions from the Board.
5. **Delinquent Annual Collection activities for September 2022 – August 2023.** No questions from the Board.
6. **Presentation on Year Two Saving Report.** Mr. Bill Savarino, E3 Business Development Manager, S. Texas reviewed the E3 Entegral Solutions – TASB's Efficient Buildings Program Year 2 Savings Report. There were 23,763 lighting fixtures converted to LED, District-wide, 114 HVAC Unites replaced, Wireless Networkable Thermostat Upgrades implemented in 7 school and 2060 Plumbing Retrofits total. Work was finished 5 months early. E3's Annual Savings Guarantee after 2 years is \$1,203,900.00. The actual savings result achieved after the 2-year time period was \$1,475,597.64, the district exceeded E3's guarantee of \$1, 203,900.00 by \$271,697.64. There was three facilities that aside from the LED's nothing else was done due to the number of mechanical issues. The amount

needed to address those issues is a substantial amount. If the district decides to proceed with Phase 2, we would provide a new procurement. There were no questions from the Board.

## **VI. Action Items**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to award Sealed Proposal No. 241610 for EPHS Counseling Office remodel and the Board delegates the Superintendent or Designee the authority to make related budgeted purchases of goods or services as per Board Policy CH. **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Alvarez to award Sealed proposal No. 241610 for EPHS Counseling Office remodel and the Board delegates the Superintendent or Designee the authority to make related budgeted purchases of goods or services as per Board Policy CH. Motion Granted 5/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to Resolution 2023/2024-04 to nominate candidates to serve as Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). **Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Purcell to approve the Resolution 2023/2024-04 to nominate Trustee Lupita Fuentes, Trustee Christopher Hiller and Trustee Victor Perry to serve as Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). Motion Granted 5/0.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the Liberty Elementary attendance zone for the 2023-2024 school year. **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Barrera to approve the request to amend the Liberty Elementary attendance zone for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion Granted 5/0.**
4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to revise Board Policy CH Local Purchasing and Acquisition as per TASB. **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Alvarez to approve the revision of Board Policy CH Local Purchasing and Acquisition as per TASB. Motion Granted 5/0.**
5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to review Board Policy CV Local Facilities Construction as per TASB. **Motion by Trustee Purcell second by Trustee Martinez to approve the request to review Board Policy CV Local Facilities Construction as per TASB. Motion Granted 5/0.**

## **VII. Consent Items**

It was the consensus of the Board to consider item(s) 1 - 9 in One Motion. **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Martinez. Motion Granted 5/0.**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2023 (Special) and the September 21, 2023 (Regular) Board Meetings. **Item previously considered.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to award Sealed Proposal No 241909 on concrete labor services and the Board delegates the Superintendent or Designee the authority to make related budgeted purchases of goods or services as per Board Policy CH. **Item previously considered.**

3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve adopt Resolution 2023/2024-03 to approve the Annual Review of Investment Policy and Investment Strategies in accordance with Board Policy CDA (Legal). **Item previously considered.**
4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve Resolution 2023/2024-05 of the Board regarding designating nonbusiness days under the Public Information Act for 2023 calendar year. **Item previously considered.**
5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to adopt Resolution 2023/2024-06 recognizing the Maverick County Texas 4-H Organization as extracurricular activity. **Item previously considered.**
6. Consider and take action on the request to revise Board Policy DEC Local Compensation and Benefits Leaves and Absences as per TASB. **Item previously considered.**
7. Consider and take appropriate action on the approval of a cooperative working agreement between Eagle Pass ISD and the Serving Children and Adults in Need (SCAN), Inc. Family & Youth Success (FAYS) Program. **Item previously considered.**
8. Consider and take appropriate action on the approval to accept a donation from Donors Choose for Sam Houston Elementary teachers, Mrs. Annette Gomez, Mrs. Michelle Chavez, and Mrs. Diana Centeno for their classroom projects. **Item previously considered.**
9. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve an engineering service contract between EPISD and Wheaton Engineering and Environmental Science, LLC to provide mechanical drawings and installation diagrams for HVAC upgrades for Memorial Jr. High School classrooms. **Item previously considered.**

VIII. **Closed Session:** Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code: **PERSONNEL MATTERS:** Under Section 551.074 Texas Government Code, to deliberate the appointments, employment, evaluations, reassignments, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officers or employee, or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee: The Board adjourned into Closed Session at **6:35 PM** Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084, Texas Government Code: **Motion by Trustee Alvarez second by Trustee Purcell. Motion Granted 5/0.**

1. The Board will hear the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to. TGC 551.074.
2. The Board will hear the request to hire a professional employee to serve as instructional officer subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. TGC 551.074
3. Consultation with Attorney regarding Senate Bill 763. TGC 551.071

IX. **Open Session:** The meeting reconvened at **6:54 PM** and the Board will consider and take appropriate action on the item(s) discussed in Closed Session.

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074. **Motion by Trustee Alvarez seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the request to fill vacancies as discussed in closed session. Motion Granted 5/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire a professional employee to serve as Instructional Officer subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. TGC 551.074 **Motion by Trustee Hiller seconded by Trustee Purcell to hire Anita M. Rodriguez as professional employee to serve as an Instructional Officer subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent pursuant to TGC 551.074. Motion Granted 5/0.**

**X. Correspondence and Information: Superintendent's Announcements:**

1. Wednesday – October 18, 2023 – Chamber of Commerce Luncheon – 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM – ICT – Chief Guest Speaker – Enrique Montalvo – Let us know if you need tickets
2. Wednesday – October 18, 2023 – EPHS Homecoming Parade – meet 5:30 PM – Plaza San Juan – will travel to Old Eagle Field on City of Eagle Pass float. (Let Marisela know if you will be attending for RSVP)
3. Wednesday – October 25, 2023 – Glass Elementary Red Ribbon Rally – 1:30 PM – GYM
4. Friday – October 27, 2023 – Water Works 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 10:00 AM – ICT (Invitation provided)
5. Monday – October 30, 2023 – CC Winn Homecoming Parade – meet at 6:0 PM – Plaza San Juan – Theme and Parade Route were provided to you
6. Tuesday – October 31, 2023 – Halloween Luncheon – 11:30 AM – DSC Board Room
7. Schedule of the Campuses Texas Red Ribbon Campaign and Fall Festivals were provided to you.
8. 2023 TASB Fall Legal Seminars – Let us know if you would like to attend

**XI. Adjournment:**

There, being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM. **Motion by Trustee Hiller seconded by Trustee Purcell. Motion Granted 5/0.**

WE AFFIRM THAT THESE MINUTES ARE OFFICAL, COMPLETE, AND CORRECT.

President: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Minutes Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes of the Board of Trustees  
Eagle Pass Independent School District

The Board of Trustees of the Eagle Pass Independent School District held a Regular Board Meeting on November 16, 2023 at 5:45 PM at District Service Center Austin Building, 587 Madison St., Eagle Pass, TX. 78852.

**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Jorge Barrera, Board President  
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Board Vice  
Dr. Hector Alvarez, Board Secretary  
Ms. Lupita Fuentes, Board Trustee  
Ms. Glenna Purcell, Board Trustee  
Mr. Christopher Hiller, Board Trustee  
Mr. Victor E. Perry, Board Trustee

**Superintendent of Schools:** Mr. Samuel Mijares

**Attorney:** Mr. Richard Strieber, Escamilla & Poneck Law Firm – Mr. Victor Cerda, Escamilla & Poneck Law Firm for Mr. Strieber.

- I. **Meeting Called to Order:** Board President, Jorge Barrera called the meeting to order at 5:50 P.M.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Superintendent Mijares led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Citizen's Communication – No one signed up.**

**Recognitions –**

1. **Recognition of CC Winn High School students Zaira Amezcua and Carizma Aguilera for being selected for the fly-in program at the University of Chicago.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized CC Winn High School students Zaira Amezcua and Carizma Aguilera for being selected for the fly-in program at the University of Chicago. A group picture was taken.
2. **Recognition of CC Winn High School Maverick Band and Color Guard for advancing to Area Finals and placing 7<sup>th</sup> at the UIL Area H Marching Contest.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized CC Winn High School Maverick Band and Color Guard for advancing to Area Finals and placing 7<sup>th</sup> at the UIL Area H Marching Contest. A group picture was taken.

**IV. District Reports/Presentations**

1. **Financial Report.** No questions from the Board.
2. **Utility Report.** No questions from the Board.
3. **Tax Collection Report.** No questions from the Board.

## V. Action Items

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to adopt Resolution 2023/24-06 to vote for members to serve on the Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Martinez to adopt Resolution 2023/24-06 to vote for members to serve on the Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). Motion Granted 7/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the approval to accept the Cooperative Program Agreement between the Eagle Pass ISD and the University of Texas at San Antonio (TRIO Program). **Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Fuentes to accept the Cooperative Program Agreement between the Eagle Pass ISD and the University of Texas at San Antonio (TRIO Program). Motion Granted 7/0.**

## VI. Consent Items

It was the consensus of the Board to consider item(s) 1 - 5 in One Motion. **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Perry. Motion Granted 7/0.**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the General Fund and Capital Projects Fund Budget. **Item previously considered.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve change order number three (3) on purchase order number 336083 for EPJH Tennis Court as per Board Policy CH and State Guidelines. **Item previously considered.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept a donation of 70-80 coats from Boarder Federal Credit Union for underprivileged Eagle Pass ISD students identified as most in need. **Item previously considered.**
4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept sponsorship from Maverick County Hospital District of the Angel Tree Program to provide gifts and essential items to homeless and foster care Eagle Pass ISD children. **Item previously considered.**
5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Eagle Pass ISD and Kids Are First, Inc. **Item previously considered.**

VII. **Closed Session:** Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code: **PERSONNEL MATTERS:** Under Section 551.074 Texas Government Code, to deliberate the appointments, employment, evaluations, reassignments, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officers or employee; or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee: The Board adjourned into Closed Session at **6:04M** Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084, Texas Government Code: **Motion by Trustee Alvarez second by Trustee Purcell. Motion Granted 7/0.**

1. The Board will hear the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to. TGC 551.074.



2. The Board will consult with its Attorneys regarding the settlement of EPISD vs. AAA Roofing, et al; Cause Number 19-09-37838-MCV. TGC 551.071
3. The Board will consult with its Attorneys regarding legal services. TGC 551.071
4. The Board will consult with its Attorneys regarding broadband internet/virtual private network (VPN) connectivity between Eagle Pass ISD, EP Water Works, City of Eagle Pass and Maverick County. TGC 551.071

VIII. **Open Session:** The meeting reconvened at 6:56 PM and the Board will consider and take appropriate action on the item(s) discussed in Closed Session.

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074. **Motion by Trustee Alvarez seconded by Trustee Purcell to approve the settlement of EPISD vs. AAA Roofing, et al; Cause Number 19-09-37838-MCB. Motion Granted 7/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the settlement of EPISD vs. AAA Roofing et. al; Cause Number 19-09-37838-MCV.TGC 551.071. **Motion by Trustee Fuentes seconded by Trustee Alvarez to hire Anita M. Rodriguez as professional employee to serve as an Instructional Officer subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent pursuant to TGC 551.074. Motion Granted 7/0.**
3. Consideration and action to approve legal services rates. **Motion by Trustee Perry seconded by Trustee Fuentes to approve the legal services rates. Motion Granted 7/0.**

IX. **Correspondence and Information:** Superintendent's Announcements:

1. Tomorrow, Friday – DSC Thanksgiving Luncheon – 11:30 a.m. - Board Room
2. Saturday – November 18, 2023 – HEB Feast of Sharing – 10:15 am – Ceremony will begin at 10:30 – Event is from 11:00 am – 3:00 pm (Let Marisela know if you will be attending)
3. Thanksgiving Holiday – November 20–24, 2023
4. EPISD Tax Office will be closed for Thanksgiving Holiday – Wednesday, November 22 – Friday, November 24, 2023
5. Wednesday – November 29, 2023 – Transportation Department Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – 9:30 am – Transportation Dept.

X. **Adjournment:**

There, being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM. Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Fuentes. Motion Granted 7/0.

WE AFFIRM THAT THESE MINUTES ARE OFFICAL, COMPLETE, AND CORRECT.

President: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Minutes Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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