

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
The Board of Trustees
Gregory-Portland ISD**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Gregory-Portland ISD was held Monday, November 18, 2024, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Gregory-Portland ISD Administration Building, 1200 Broadway, PORTLAND, TX 78374.

The subjects to be 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 on this meeting notice.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

I. Call to Order and Establish Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Tim Flinn, President. Members present: Mark Roach, Melissa Gonzales, Zachary Simmons, Lora DeLuna. Members absent: Nicole Nolen and Carrie Gregory (arrived at 5:38 pm). Others present: Dr. Michelle Cavazos, Michael Thieme, Ally Spiegleman, Deborah Garza, Dr. Michael Norris, Penny Armstrong, Ricky Zapata, Sharon Reckaway, Cameron Curran, Robin Rice, Monica Waggoner, Crystal Matern, Dr. John Trevino, Chris Casarez, Dr. Ismael Gonzalez III, Buffy Longoria, Chip Cariappa, Denise Blanchard, Jeff Atkinson, Ashley Ballew, Frank Gonzales, Cassandra Hart, Sofia Gonzales, Gabby Garza, Emily Trevino, Raymond Wrinkle, Lauren Albrecht, Ronnie Owen, and Amy Malone.

CLOSED SESSION 5:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION 6:02 P.M.

II. The time is now 5:30 pm and we will convene in Closed Session, As Authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.0821, 551.083, 551.084, 551.087, 551.129 et seq.

- A. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public employee or employees, including but not limited, to resignation and employment of personnel [551.074]
- B. Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code
- C. Deliberations regarding security devices or security audits [551.076]

- III. Open Session Action, If Any, on Closed Session Deliberations Regarding:
 - A. Consider Resignations of Personnel and Review Vacancy Report

No Action Taken

- B. Consider Employment of Personnel

No Action Taken

- C. Consider the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code

No Action Taken

- D. Consider deliberations regarding security devices or security audits [551.076]

No Action Taken

- IV. Invocation was given by Lora DeLuna

- V. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Melissa Gonzales

- VI. Reading of the Gregory-Portland ISD Vision, Mission & Belief Statements and Board Meeting Norms

- VII. Recognitions / Presentations

- A. Recognize Elected Officials & Honored Guests
 - B. TASB Buyboard Recognition of G-PISD for Purchasing Cooperative Rebate Program
 - C. Student and/or Community Recognition
 - 1. Ariana Guevara – Middle School
 - 2. Emily Trevino – High School
 - 3. Chienere Donation - SPED
 - D. Employee Recognition
 - 1. Salena Pereida
 - 2. Magdaline Elizondo
 - 3. Jodie Scanlan
 - 4. Chip Cariappa

- VIII. Comments from Public in Open Forum

- A. Frank Gonzales - Agri-Science Building
 - B. Cassandra Hart - Agri-Science Building
 - C. Sofia Gonzales - Agri-Science Building
 - D. Gabby Garza - Agri-Science Building
 - E. Emily Trevino - Agri-Science Building

F. Raymond Wrinkle – Agri-Science Building

IX. Consent Agenda

A. Receive and Approve Minutes

B. Consider Ratification of Payment of Bills

C. Consider Approval of Budget Amendments – **NO BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO APPROVE**

D. Consider Approval of Certification of Tax Levy for the Tax Year 2024

It was recommended that the Board approve items A, B, and D as one item, there are no budget amendments under item C to approve. Lora DeLuna made the motion, which was seconded by Carrie Gregory; motion carried 6/0.

X. Regular Business Action Items

A. Discuss and Take Possible Action for RFP # 2425-02 Grant Writer/Consultant Professional Services

It was recommended the Board accept the recommendation by administration to award RFP # 2425-02 Grant Writer/Consultant Professional Services to vendor, PHD Grant Masters and authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and execute a contract mutually agreed on based on scope of professional services provided. Zachary Simmons made the motion, which was seconded by Lora DeLuna; motion carried 6/0.

B. Discuss and Consider Approval of Contract Addendum #1 with Architectural Firm Rawley McCoy & Associates

It was recommended that the Board accept the recommendation by administration to approve contract addendum #1 with architectural firm Rawley McCoy & Associates regarding additional design professional services at Gregory-Portland High School. Zachary Simmons made the motion, which was seconded by Melissa Gonzales; motion carried 5/1.

XI. Reports/Discussion Items

A. Superintendent's Report

1. Priority 1 Update

2. Legislative Update

3. Fund Balance Resolution

B. Board Scorecard Report

1. Budget Parameter Memo 2025-2026 Draft

2. Summary of Joint Meeting with Portland City Council

3. Summary of Site Visit to Forney ISD

C. Discuss allowing 4-H Students to House Animals in Agri-Science Building

XII. Board Instructions to President/Superintendent on Items of Discussion

NONE

XIII. Meeting Adjourned at 9:06 PM

Board President, Tim Flinn

Board Secretary, Melissa Gonzales