

AT A BOARD WORK STUDY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ECTOR COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM A/B – 3rd FLOOR - 802 NORTH SAM HOUSTON, ODESSA, ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS, AT 6:00 P.M., September 13, 2016 WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Present:

Ray Beaty, D.C.
Dr. Steve Brown
Teri Ervin
Carol Gregg
Nelson Minyard
Dr. Donna C. Smith
Doyle Woodall

Absent:

School Officials: Mike Adkins, Tom Crowe, David Finley, Roy Garcia, Keith Garinger, Carolyn Gonzalez, David Harwell, Wendy Hines, Brian Moersch, Todd Vesely, Kellie Wilks

Others: Tryon Lewis, Michael Neiman, Rose Valderaz, Tracy Taylor, Ann McClarty, Marlane Burns, Carla Byrne, Jason Osborne, Katy Taylor, David Morris, Mark Lyon, Lisa Wills, Cynthia McNabb, Mary Franco

23463 **Meeting Called to Order:** Teri Ervin, Board President, called the Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

23464 **Presentation: Texas Teacher and Evaluation Support System and the Texas Principal and Evaluation Support System:** Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Carolyn Gonzalez, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education Roy Garcia and Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education Wendy Hines provided Trustees with a presentation of the Texas Teacher and Evaluation Support System and the Texas Principal and Evaluation Support System. The T-TESS and T-PESS are the new appraisal systems from the State of Texas. GP Alamo Elementary and Bowie MS piloted the support system last year. The new support systems are being rolled out throughout the District this year. These systems are based on goal setting, professional development plan, pre-conferences, observations, post-conferences, evaluate progress, and ultimately appraise performance.

23465 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Appointment/Reappointment of Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) Members:** Health & P.E. Coordinator Michael Neiman provided Trustees with applications and resumes of those wishing to serve on the Student Health Advisory Council for review and consideration. There are currently seven vacant positions, five (5) parent and two (2) community members. The following applications have been received:

Parent Member

Dawn Weaks
Heather McKenzie

Community Member

Renee Morris
Ravi Shakamuri

The following applications were received after the posting of this meeting and therefore were presented at the Board Work Study.

Parent Member
Holly Moore
Amanda Varela

Trustees will be asked to select new members by way of ballot at the September 20, 2016 Board meeting.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

23466 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Chevron Grant Agreement:** Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education Roy Garcia presented this item for discussion. Chevron North America Exploration and Production Company, a division of Chevron USA, Inc. has approved a contribution for the 2016-17 school year in the amount of \$150,000 to the District to support JASON Learning (Science Curriculum) and Project Lead the Way (Engineering Program). JASON Learning will receive \$86,750 and Project Lead the Way will receive \$63,250. Chevron is a remarkable partner with ECISD having already committed over \$500,000 to curriculum training and science education for our staff and students.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

23467 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between UTPB and Ector County ISD – First 5 Permian Basin:** Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education Roy Garcia presented this item for discussion. Through this memorandum of understanding the UTPB's First 5 Permian Basin will administer four evidence-based home visiting programs as a service to the District. These services will be provided to ECISD female students who are pregnant or parenting and male students who are about to become or are already fathers.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

23468 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Ector County ISD and GOPB, Inc. Head Start School Readiness Academy – Parent Power Program:** Assistant Superintendent for Secondary

Education Roy Garcia reported to Trustees that through this agreement teen fathers/mothers would be identified and would be encouraged to join the Parent Power Program. This 12-week curriculum-based workshop will be formatted into an eight-month program designed to provide support, guidance and resources for young men and women facing the challenges of being young parents. This MOU is reviewed on an annual basis.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23469** **Discussion of Request for Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Ector County ISD and GOPB, Inc. Head Start School Readiness Academy – Transition**: Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education Wendy Hines presented this item for discussion. The purpose of this agreement is to ensure a smooth transition between the Head Start setting and the public school setting. This MOU is reviewed on an annual basis.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23470** **Discussion of Request for Approval of Class Size Waiver for Fall Semester (2016-2017 School Year)**: Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education Wendy Hines presented this item for discussion. As mandated by the state each District must report each K-4 classroom that exceeds the 22:1 student-to-teacher ratio. The date used for determination of the class size waiver was September 6, 2016. Mrs. Hines reported to Trustees that ECISD has six campuses (Buice, Burnet, Cameron, Jordan, Pease, and Zavala) that have classrooms exceeding the maximum class size. The District is requesting 30 waivers from the class size maximum in grades K-4 for the 2016-2017 Fall semester.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23471** **Discussion of Request for Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Ector County ISD and GOPB, Inc. Head Start School Readiness Academy – Children with Disabilities Services**: Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Carolyn Gonzalez presented this item for discussion. The purpose of this agreement is to define the framework and provide guidance for effective collaboration of services to benefit young children with disabilities and their families. This MOU is reviewed on an annual basis.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23472** **Discussion of Request for Approval of Head Start Vehicle Service Contract between ECISD and Greater Opportunities of the Permian Basin, Inc. (GOPB):** Chief Operations Officer David Finley presented this item for discussion. Through this agreement the District's transportation department will provide maintenance and repair services for Head Start's vehicles, as needed. This MOU is reviewed on an annual basis.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23473** **Discussion of Purchases over \$50,000:** Chief Financial Officer David Harwell presented Purchases over \$50,000 as required by Board Policy CH(Local). Only one contract/purchase met this requirement, refrigerant.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

No action required.

- 23474** **Discussion of Request for Approval of Resolution of the Board to Designate Investment Officer(s):** Chief Financial Officer David Harwell presented this item for discussion. Section 2256.005(f) of the Texas Government Code requires the ECISD Board of Trustees to designate one or more officers or employees as investment officer of the District. This will add the District's new accounting supervisor Albert Anchondo to the list of investment officers.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23475** **Discussion of Request for Approval of 2016 Certified Appraisal Roll:** Chief Financial Officer David Harwell presented Ector County Appraisal District's certification of the School District's 2016 appraisal roll.

The total appraised value decreased from \$16,463,946,244 in 2015 to \$15,127,817,859 in 2016, a decrease of 8.115%.

The total taxable value decreased from \$13,190,683,066 in 2015 to \$11,855,872,243 in 2016, a decrease of 10.119% decrease.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at a Special Board meeting on September 20, 2016)

23476 **Discussion of Request for Approval of 2016 Tax Rate:** Chief Financial Officer David Harwell presented the proposed 2016 Tax Rate for discussion. The total tax rate requested will be \$1.04 for M&O and \$.11 for I&S. This total tax rate of \$1.15 is the same as last year's total rate. This will be an increase in the effective tax rate of 8.49% from 2015.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at a Special Board meeting on September 20, 2016)

23477 **Discussion of Request for Approval of an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Ector County Independent School District's Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2016:** Chief Financial Officer David Harwell presented this item for discussion. This would refinance the District's outstanding bonds to a lower interest rate that would save taxpayers between \$6.5 and \$10 million over the life of the bonds.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

23478 **Discussion of Board Policy FFA (Local) Student Welfare: Wellness and Health Services:** Chief Operations Officer David Finley presented this item for discussion. The proposed changes address the District complying with the USDA Nutrition Standards for all foods sold in the schools with the exception of campus pre-selected six exempt fund-raising days.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

23479 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Signature Authority for Programs/Reports:** Chief of Staff Brian Moersch presented a consolidated list of names of contact persons for various special programs and reports who are identified as having signature authority for corresponding programs.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23480** **Discussion of Board Policies for TASB Update 105 (First Reading)**: Chief of Staff Brian Moersch presented this item for discussion. The Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) periodically offers recommendations for updating local school policies to keep them in line with changes made by the state's legal policies. The policies listed in Update 105 reflect TASB's recommendations and are being presented for First Reading.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

- 23481** **Discussion of Board Policies for TASB Update 106 (First Reading)**: Chief of Staff Brian Moersch presented this item for discussion. The Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) periodically offers recommendations for updating local school policies to keep them in line with changes made by the state's legal policies. The policies listed in Update 106 reflect TASB's recommendations and are being presented for First Reading.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

No action required.

- 23482** **Discussion of Request for Approval of Tax Foreclosed Property Located at 220 S. Goldsmith, Goldsmith, Texas**: Chief of Staff Brian Moersch presented this item for discussion. Trustees are being asked to consider an offer on property located at 220 S. Goldsmith, Goldsmith, Texas which is less than taxes, penalties and interest currently owed, and less than the market price for the property. All other taxing entities must agree to the sale on these types of properties before transactions can be completed. Accepting an offer on the property will place them on various entities' tax rolls, plus relieve them from the need to maintain the property.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

No action required.

- 23483** **Discussion of Request for Approval of Tax Foreclosed Property Located at 1108 N. Texas, Odessa, Texas**: Chief of Staff Brian Moersch presented this item for discussion. Trustees are being asked to consider an offer on property located at 1108 N. Texas Odessa, Texas which is less than taxes, penalties and interest currently owed, and less than the market price for the property. All other taxing entities must agree to the sale on these types of properties before transactions can be completed. Accepting an offer on the property will place them on various entities' tax rolls, plus relieve them from the need to maintain the property.

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No action required.

- 23484** **Discussion of Request for Approval of 2016-2017 T-TESS Appraisal Timeline for Gale Pond Alamo:** Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Carolyn Gonzalez presented the 2016-2017 T-TESS Appraisal Timeline for Gale Pond Alamo for discussion.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

No action required.

- 23485** **Discussion of Request for Approval of 2016-2017 T-TESS Appraisers:** Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Carolyn Gonzalez presented this item for discussion. By state rule, appraisers must be approved by the local Board of Trustees. A list representing individuals who have completed the necessary training and are now certified "Texas Teacher Evaluation & Support System Appraisers" was provided to Trustees for review.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the September 20, 2016 meeting.)

No action required.

- 23486** **Request for Approval of Closed Meeting – Personnel Matters - Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (Discussion of Routine Personnel Report) [Board will deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public employees of the District]:**

No session held.

- 23487** **Information Items:** The Purchasing Report and the Routine Personnel Report were provided to the Board of Trustees for review.

No action required.

- 23488** **Adjournment:** Board President Teri Ervin adjourned the Board meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Board President
Teri Wheat Ervin, MEd

Board Secretary
Ray Beaty, D.C.