

Minutes of Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees Galveston Independent School District

A Special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Galveston Independent School District was held August 5, 2020, followed by the Budget Workshop Meeting in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX.

Notice was given pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.127 as modified by the Texas Attorney General, that due to the state of emergency declared by, Governor Abbott on behalf of the State of Texas, and President Trump on behalf of the United States of America regarding the spread of coronavirus/COVID-19 (hereafter "COVID-19"), one or more members of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees may attend this meeting via videoconference in order to properly mitigate the spread of COVID-19, pursuant to State and local emergency/disaster declarations.

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 on this meeting notice.

Members in attendance: Tony Brown, Johnny Smecca, Mindy Lakin, Monica Wagner, Ann Masel and Shae Jobe. David O'Neal arrived at 6:21pm

Administration in attendance: Dr. Kelli Moulton, Dr. Scott, Mrs. Pinkham, Mrs. Polzin, Mr. Byers, Dr. Launius and Mr. Rudolph

Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas. 6:01

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. 6:01
- 2) 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. 6:02
None
- 3) 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. 6:03 *Not taken*

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.

4) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items 6:03

- A) Discuss and consider approval for pursuing IMA Funding for a 36 month agreement for a District Learning Management System. *Motion by Wagner, second by Jobe.*

Unanimous in favor, O'Neal absent

- B) Discuss and consider approval of Math and Science consumables from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 6:10 *Motion by Smecca, second by Lakin.*

Discussion: Moulton - These are workbooks to augment what is being taught either remotely or in class. The state provides funds for instructional materials and technology. This is being requested by the instructional team.

Unanimous in favor, O'Neal absent

- C) Discuss and consider approval of purchases from approved technology vendors in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 utilizing APEX 3-Magnet Grant Funds. 6:10 *Motion by Jobe, second by Wagner*

Discussion: Moulton - This purchase was approved in a previous meeting with a different vendor who was not able to deliver.

Unanimous in favor, O'Neal absent

- 5) Discuss School Budget for 2020-2021 school year 6:21 *Presented by Connie Morgenroth, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations*

- 6) Discuss current facilities and projects. 7:07 *Presented by Paul Byers, Director of Facilities.*

7) Board Comments 6:34

Smecca - He feels like everyone is doing something for schools or students. He would like to honor companies that give back to the community.

Wagner - Academy as an example, provides donations to non-profits; are there other organizations that we can approach?

Jobe - Kiwanis was doing a backpack drive

Wagner - would like to thank people working on the SAIL program.

Masel - She was asked if a child is in SAIL, would that child have the same teacher.

Jobe - Would like to know about SAT/ACT testing for a future agenda item.

Wagner - SAIL Town Hall tomorrow at 3pm

*Brown - He was not aware that there was a limit to how many people can be on Zoom.
In the future staff and trustees could make room if attendance approaches the limit.*

O'Neal - Kudos to Superintendent and Administrative staff.

Wagner - Reminded trustees of the quorum rule when on Zoom.

Lakin - She attended both town halls last week. She says parents asked a lot of really good questions and she also learned a lot.

Brown - Thank to all the staff and teachers.

8) Adjournment

7:50pm

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on: _____

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Mrs. Monica Wagner, Secretary