

Agenda 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 August 25, 2021, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

One or more members of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees may have attend this meeting via video conference. Notice is given that Galveston ISD intends to conduct this meeting via video conference. Galveston ISD:

- Has provided online written notice containing a free-of-charge website link, as well as an electronic copy of any agenda packet, before conducting this meeting via video conference; specifically, the public may use the following free-of-charge website link: <https://www.gisd.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=5397>; or a live broadcast on Channel 17.
- Has provided the public with access and a means to participate in the meeting at 3904 Ave T Galveston, TX 77550; and
- Has provided the public with access to a recording of the meeting.

The subjects discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may have been taken are as listed below. Items did not have to be taken in the order shown.

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

Board members in attendance: Brown, O'neal, Jobe, Masel, Lakin, Smecca
Staff in attendance: Gibson, Polzin, Byers, Morgenroth, Fortune, Mueller, Le, Post, Patrick, Scott, Rudolph, Pruitt, Paul, Rogers, Martin, Bly

- 1) Mr. Brown called 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.--6:00
- 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. --6:02

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
- 4) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees.--6:30
The meeting was temporarily adjourned to convene the hearing for the 21-22 proposed budget.
- 5) The Public Hearing to present the Budget and Proposed Tax Rate will begin at 6:30 pm in the Board Room at the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX. --6:30

The 2021-2022 general fund proposed budget and tax rate were presented to the Board at the August 4, 2021 regular meeting. The budget presented at the public hearing includes the most recent budget revisions.

Members of the public may comment or ask questions about the budget. This hearing is legally mandated by the Texas Education Code and serves as the final opportunity for public review of the proposed budget. The public notice was published in the local newspaper as required by law. --6:30 *Presented by Connie Morgenroth*
 --6:41 *Comments by Brown. Questions from citizens and comments from the board. Thanks from Mr. Brown to the citizens who asked questions. Mr. O'Neal asked people to come to the finance and other committee meetings. Adjourned at 6:57*
The regular meeting was reopened at 6:57 and then adjourned to closed session again. Back in open session of the regular board meeting --7:28

- 6) District Reports --7:29
- A) Superintendent's Report - *By Dr. Gibson. We were awarded the school action fund planning grant for \$250k that will go toward the turnaround process at Collegiate. Texas Association of State Systems for Computing and Communications recognized the work of Dr. Ramirez, Michelle Hammonds and Michelle Pedallino and awarded the district \$13, 747. We received a letter of congratulations for the Child Nutrition Team for farm fresh challenge. Discussed enrollment numbers. Parker is close to closing due to Covid. Their numbers are being watched.*
 - B) MECC Quarterly Report - *Given by Executive Director, Karin Miller - 7:36 -- 7:41 Comments by Tony Brown*
 - C) Board Committee Reports - 7:33
 - 1) Curriculum Committee Chair- *Ms. Ann Masel 7:43 Meeting next Wednesday.*
 - 2) Facilities/Finance Committee Report - *7:33 Given by Chair, Johnny Smecca.*
- 7) Financial Reports --7:44 *given by Connie Morgenroth*
- 8) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items --7:46
Motion to approve with the exception of Items L (deferred) and Q (to regular) by Jobe.. Second by Masel. Approved unanimously.
- A) Consider approval of the minutes from the August 4, 2021 Regular School Board Meeting.
 - B) Consider approval of the Board's Time Use Tracker - August 4, 2021
 - C) Consider approval of personnel resignations and recommendations with contracts.
 - D) Discuss and consider approval of payment of attorney fees.

- E) Discuss and consider approval of Final Budget Amendment for the 2020-2021 fiscal year
- F) Consider Approval of Purchases >\$50,000
- G) Discuss and consider accepting donations in accordance with Board Policy CDC Local.
- H) Discuss and consider approval to purchase additional professional development services along with online math, science, and coding instructional resources from Accelerated Learning INC for an amount not to exceed \$275,000 during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
- I) Discuss and consider acceptance of GCAD Certified Taxable Values and Tax Rolls for 2021 and Approve 2021 Estimated Collection Rate and 2020 Excess Debt Collections as presented by Cheryl Johnson, Galveston County Tax-Assessor Collector
- J) Discuss and consider approval for the purchase of calculators through in an amount not to exceed \$117, 360 to be funded using ESSER III.
- K) Discuss and consider the use of ESSER funds to purchase Edgenuity on-line instruction for credit recovery and academic acceleration for Ball High School and AIM College and Career Prep.
- L) Update GKD-R – Use of School Facilities (*deferred*)
- M) Consider and approve Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the City of Galveston for Police Recording System
- N) Discuss and consider approval of Administrative Appraisers for 2021-2022 school year.
- O) Discuss and consider approval of the GISD Human Capital Management System (HCMS) annual appraisal process and appraisal timeline for the 2021-2022 school year.
- P) Designation of 2021-2022 T-PESS Appraisers
- Q) Discuss and consider revising DEC(LOCAL) (*pulled to Regular Agenda*)
- R) Discuss and approve the Middle School Community Task Force Charge and Composition
- S) Discuss and consider approval of Administration applying for the Moody Foundation Grant in the amount of \$5 million.
- T) Discuss and Consider Approval of Resolution to Accept Offer to Purchase Tax Foreclosed Property Located on Bolivar Peninsula
- U) Discuss and consider adoption of a Board Resolution identifying Hazardous Traffic Routes
- V) Discuss and consider approval of the contract with Adaptive Behavior School (Harris County Department of Education) for a student in GISD.
- W) Discuss and consider ratifying spending for professional services from ThinkAUM during the 2020-2021 school year in an amount not to exceed \$51,356 to be funded using MSAP Funds.
- X) Discuss and consider approval of payments >\$50,000 to TASB for Unemployment Claims for fiscal year 2021-2022 and ratify payments >\$50,000 for fiscal year 2020-2021
- Y) Discuss and consider approval for professional services from Region 4 ESC for Texas Instructional Leadership training during the 2021-2022 school year in an amount not to exceed \$55,000 to be funded using Title 1 Funds.

Z) Discuss and Consider the Certified Athletic Trainer Service Agreement Between University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB Health) and Galveston Independent School District (GISD) August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022.

AA) Discuss and consider approval of Employee Travel Reimbursement Amounts for fiscal year 2021-2022

9) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items --7:46

A) Discuss and consider approval of the 2021-2022 General Operating, Debt Service and School Nutrition budgets by fund and function. *Motion to approve by Jobe. Second by Smecca. No discussion. Approved unanimously.*

B) Discuss and Consider Approval of Resolution to Adopt the 2021 Tax Rate--7:48 *Motion to approve by Masel. Second by Smecca. Comments by Brown. Approved unanimously.*

C) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ATTENDANCE CREDIT, DELEGATING CONTRACTUAL AUTHORITY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBLIGATING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER TEC, 11.1511(C)(4), SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBLIGATING THE DISTRICT UNDER CHAPTER 49, SUBCHAPTERS A AND D AND THE RULES ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION AS AUTHORIZED UNDER TEC, 49.006 RELATED TO EXCESS LOCAL REVENUE --7:50 *Motion to approve by Masel. Second by Lakin. Comments by Board. Unanimous in favor.*

Item Q from Consent Discuss and consider revising DEC(LOCAL) - --7:50 Motion by O'Neal. Second by Lakin. Discussion by O'Neal. All in favor.

10)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. --7:53 *Mr. Brown showed a slide about Covid 19 prior to citizens speaking and expressed that we need to be safe.*

--8:01 *Premel Patel spoke as a parent and physician. She is grateful for the board and superintendent support for the kids.*

--8:04 *Hunter Cherryhomes spoke as a father of four in GISD. He wanted to express gratitude for mask requirements in schools.*

--8:08 *John Campbell spoke as a parent. He thanked the board for supporting the requirement to wear masks*

--8:09 *Ellie Cherryhomes was thankful for the masking requirement. She would like to see more clarity in how it will be enforced.*

--8:10 *Adrienne Campbell, parent of two GISD students, spoke in favor of masking.*

--8:13 *Nicole Obert thanked the board for masking.*

--8:15 *Cara Pennel, parent of a third grader, spoke in favor of requiring masks.*

--8:19 *Amber Anthony, parent, spoke in favor of masking.*

--8:20 *Susan Laforte spoke in favor of masking.*

--8:21 *Russell LaForte spoke in favor of masking.*

--8:25 *Hani Serag, parent, spoke about safety measures at school and thanked the board for their decision.*

--8:28 *Jason Goldberg, parent, thanked the board for the masking requirement.*

--8:31 *Megan Blanton, parent, thanks the board for the masking requirement.*

--8:33 Russell Finney, parent, spoke about 8U traffic plan around Oppe and masking concerns.

--8:36 Heather Young, parent, thanked the board for requiring masks and asked for consistent enforcement.

--8:40 Ken Jencks spoke about middle schools.

--8:43 Ann Higgins thanked the board for requiring masks and enforcement at schools.

11)Suggested Future Agenda Items --8:46

Item for Jobe will be on the curriculum agenda concerning how to teach phonics with a mask.

12)Board Comments

--8:49 O'Neal - School has started and sports have started. Please support our kids.

--8:50 Jobe - Tennis is also in play and please get vaccinated.

--8:51 Masel - Please get vaccinated and wear masks. We would like to make up for the learning loss and we need to keep kids in school.

--8:52 Lakin - Thanked all who came and shared their stories.

--8:54 Smecca - Thanked Ms. Morgenroth and the finance department for their hard work.

13)Adjournment 8:57

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on September 15, 2021

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Shae Jobe, Secretary