

Marble Falls Independent School District  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 21, 2024

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Kevin Naumann, President, called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. at the Marble Falls Central Office at 1800 Colt Circle, Marble Falls, TX. A quorum was present; notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

**Board Members Present:** Kevin Naumann, Larry Berkman, Mandy McCary, Alex Payson, Crystal Tubig, Kevin Virdell

**Board Members Absent:** Gary Boshears

**Administrators Present:** Dr. Jeff Gasaway, Stan Whittle, Yarda Leflet, Bill Orr, Dr. Shana Bunch-Fancher, Dr. Heather Metzgar, Soor-el Puga, Dr. Melissa Fields, Pedro Garcia, Mackie Price, Danielle Hinson, Patrick Hinson, Clark Fields, Rudy Gonzalez, Melissa Fletcher, Kara Gasaway, Michael Haley, Suzie Neuenschwander

**Members of the Press:** None

### **Special Recognitions**

#### **Hispanic Heritage Month Performance**

Pedro Garcia introduced and shared a video from students across the district highlighting the upcoming Hispanic Heritage Night on October 24<sup>th</sup> at Marble Falls High School.

#### **Superintendent's Award**

Suzie Neuenschwander recognized Highland Lakes Elementary students Jimena Ramirez and Reed Bailey with the October Superintendent Awards. Mrs. Neuenschwander spoke about the positive impact the students have on the campus and also shared quotes from their teachers as to why they were selected. The students were given candy bouquets from their Principals and Dr. Gasaway presented them with a certificate and gift card.

#### **Going the Extra Mile Award**

Danielle Hinson and Suzie Neuenschwander introduced Highland Lakes Elementary Teacher Ellie Rios as the *GEM* Award recipient for October. Mrs. Neuenschwander shared remarks highlighting Mrs. Rios' high energy work ethic and her dedication to the campus. In recognition of the honor, Mrs. Rios received an award from Mrs. Hinson, a gift from Mrs. Neuenschwander and a certificate from Dr. Gasaway.

#### **Spotlight on Excellence**

Dr. Gasaway recognized the October Spotlight on Excellence recipient Mackie Price for his outstanding contributions to the annual canned food drive, which played a significant role in helping Marble Falls ISD win the *Battle of the Cans*. The presentation began with a video showing Kaitlyn Puckett and why she nominated Mr. Price for the honor. Dr. Gasaway commended Mr. Price's commitment to community service and presented him with an award and certificate for his achievement.

### **Spotlight on Engagement**

Yarda Leflet recognized Colt Elementary Teacher Caitlyn DeSpain as the October Spotlight on Engagement recipient. Mrs. Leflet shared some of the comments made by Mrs. DeSpain's students including how much they love her and how she makes learning fun by incorporating exciting projects into her classroom. For her achievement, Mrs. DeSpain received an award and certificate.

### **Citizen Comments**

There were no Citizen Comments

### **Information Items**

- Bilingual Exceptions and ESL Waivers
- General Fund Summary
- Expenditure Report
- Quarterly Investment Report
- Special Awareness Dates

### **Presentation/Discussion Items and Possible Action**

#### **2024-2025 Marble Falls ISD District Improvement Plan and Campus Improvement Plans**

Yarda Leflet, began the presentation sharing the 24-25 District Improvement Plan to the board. The individual Campus Improvement Plans were then presented by each Elementary and Secondary Principal where they shared their areas of focus for this school year and beyond. The district will recommend the board approve the District and Campus Improvement Plans at the November Board Meeting.

#### **HB3 Early Childhood & CCMR Goals**

Yarda Leflet, Dr. Heather Metzgar and Soor-el Puga spoke on House Bill 3 requirements regarding Early Childhood and CCMR Goals. During the presentation they stated that at the November Board Meeting the administration will seek approval of the district and campus HB3 Early Childhood Literacy, Math & CCMR revised goals as well as the progress monitoring calendar. Once the plans are approved by the Board of Trustees, administration will post the plans to the district website as required by law.

**The Board recessed at 7:34 p.m. and reconvened at 7:39 p.m.**

#### **2024-2025 Marble Falls ISD Professional Learning Plan**

Yarda Leflet outlined the district's 24-25 Professional Learning Plan based on SBEC Clearinghouse and industry recommendations. Mrs. Leflet stated that in compliance with policy DMA (LOCAL), the district will recommend the Board approve the 24-25 MFISD Professional Learning Plan at the November Board Meeting.

#### **Request for Proposal for Copy Machines**

Bill Orr shared the recent proposals received for the district's copier machines including cost comparisons and leasing options. Mr. Orr stated the district's intent to recommend approval of CTWP for the district's copier needs for a 48-month term at the December Board Meeting.

#### **Consider and Possible Approval of Action**

Consent Agenda

Upon a motion by Alex Payson, second by Kevin Virdell the Board approved the following as presented:

- Minutes from Regular Board Meeting held on September 23, 2024

For: 6                      Against: 0                      Absent: 1

**Upcoming Meetings and Board Training Opportunities**

Monday, November 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

Monday, December 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

**Executive Session**

At 7:56 p.m., the Board adjourned into executive session to discuss professional personnel (TX Govt. Code 551.074), Attorney Consultation (TX Govt. Code 551.071), discussion of Real Property (TX Govt. Code 551.072), discussion of Personally Identifiable Student Information (TX Govt. Code 551.0821), discussion of Safety and Security (TX Govt. Code 551.076)

**The Board reconvened from executive session at 9:20 p.m.**

**Discussion and Possible Approval of Action Arising from Executive Session**

No Action was taken

**Presentation/Discussion Items and Possible Action**

**Resolution Authorizing Sale of Water Tank Property and Access Easement**

Dr. Gasaway introduced the resolution regarding the sale of the MFISD water tank property located at 2101 Mustang Drive, Marble Falls, Texas to the City of Marble Falls.

Upon a motion by Kevin Virdell, second by Crystal Tubig the Board approved the resolution regarding the sale of real property to the City of Marble Falls, for public purpose, of the property located at 2101 Mustang Drive, Marble Falls, Texas, described as 1.50 Acres, more or less, fully described in Volume 353, Page 904, Deed Records of Burnet County, Texas, and granting of an access easement.

For: 6                      Against: 0                      Absent: 1

**Purchase Agreement Between MFISD and the City of Marble Falls for the Purchase of Water Tank Property**

Dr. Gasaway presented the proposed purchase agreement between MFISD and the City of Marble Falls asking for authority to finish negotiations with the city and execute a purchase agreement.

Upon a motion by Crystal Tubig, second by Mandy McCary the Board approved the delegation of authority to the Superintendent to finish negotiations with the City of Marble Falls and execute a purchase agreement in a substantially similar form approved by legal counsel, and to authorize the Board President to execute a special warranty deed and access easement related to the property located at 2101 Mustang Drive, Marble Falls, Texas, described as 1.50 Acres, more or less, fully described in Volume 353, Page 904, Deed Records of Burnet County, Texas.

For: 6                      Against: 0                      Absent: 1

**Adjournment**

Hearing no objection, the Board adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

**Approved:**

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Kevin Naumann, President

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Gary Boshears, Secretary