

# Minutes of a Special Board Meeting

Board of Trustees  
Fabens ISD



A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fabens ISD was held Friday, January 24, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Central Office, Board Room, 821 NE G Avenue, Fabens, TX 79838.

**Members Present:** Luis “Charlie” Estrada  
Orlando Flores  
Angel Ornelas Jr.  
Crystal Ramirez  
Julieta Sepulveda Ramirez  
Greg Spence

**Members Absent:** Benjamin Morales

**Administrators Present:** Dr. Rogelio Segovia                      Mr. Martin Torres  
Mr. Jesus Barba    Mr. Michael Perez  
Ms. Aide Polanco

Maria T. Rodriguez

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## 1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance – 5:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Board President, Mr. Luis “Charlie” Estrada. All members were in attendance except Mr. Benjamin Morales. The Pledge of Allegiance, Mission and Vision statements were recited by all present.

## 2. Communication and Visitors

Under this portion of the meeting, Ms. Magda Flores, community member, signed up and addressed the regarding her years at that campus as her grade school and asked that the Board take their time to evaluate and possibly salvage the building. She hoped the County of a private organization could restore and use it for community services.

Mr. Orlando Flores, community member, reminded the board that in about March 2023 the county had approached the past superintendent about utilizing the building. What the County presented was a “Win Win” situation.

### **3. Board of Trustees Business – 5:06 – 6:5 PM**

#### **3.A. Approval of Resolution Regarding Employee Pay for Two (2) hour Delay on January 16, 2025 Due to Fire at 1925 Fabens ISD High School Property – 5:06 PM**

Ms. Aide Polanco, Human Resource Director, addressed the item and read the resolution regarding the two (2) hour delay on January 16, 2025 due to the fire at our old Fabens High School located at 800 Bryan. After reading the resolution, Mr. Orlando Flores motioned and Ms. Julieta Sepulveda Ramirez seconded to approve the resolution as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

#### **3.B. Closed for Executive Session per Texas Government Code 551.071 and 551.072 for Discussion with District Legal Counsel on 1925 Fabens ISD High School Property Located at 800 Bryan Street – 5:09 PM**

The item was taken into Executive Session at 5:09 PM per Texas Government Code 551.071 and 551.072.

#### **3.C. Reconvene from Executive Session for Possible Action on 1925 Fabens ISD High School Property Located at 800 Bryan Street - 6:52 PM**

Meeting reconvened at 6:52, District legal counsel read the resolution (body of resolution below)

**WHEREAS** the 1925 school building, which has not been used as a high school for more than 60 years, has sustained significant fire damage; and

**WHEREAS** the Board of Trustees wishes to have the building restored and preserved, but the District does not have the financial resources to restore the building; and

**WHEREAS** the Board does not wish to demolish what remains of the building; and

**WHEREAS** such restoration would be financially feasible only if a third party purchases the property; and

**WHEREAS** the 1925 school building is surplus to the current educational needs of the District;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board authorize the Superintendent to proceed to advertise the 1925 school building for sale, conditioned on any purchaser agreeing to restore and maintain the building in a way that will preserve it and provide a public and educational benefit to the Fabens Independent School District students and community, with the terms and conditions of any sale to be brought back to be Board of Trustees for final approval at a future meeting.

Motion to approve resolution as presented by Mr. Greg Spence and seconded by Mr. Angel Ornelas Jr.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

**4. Adjourn**

There being no further business, Ms. Crystal Ramirez motioned and Mr. Greg Spence seconded to adjourn at 6:54 PM

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

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