



Minutes 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 June 21, 2023, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

BOT in attendance: Beeton, O'Neal, Jobe, Brown, Masel, Smecca *Absent: Lakin*
Staff in attendance: Scott, Polzin, Curry, Patrick, Post, Pruitt, Le, Fontenot, Martello, Alfred, Rivas, Neighbors, Rogers, Bly

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- 1) Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas. -6:03pm
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. -6:03 *Led by Kari Nance, recent Ball high graduate.*
- 3) 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. -6:04
- 4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest -6:05 *Jobe will be abstaining from the salary study.*
- 5) 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. -6:06

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
 - 1) Discuss Superintendent Contract.
 - B) Consultation with Attorney
 - C) Real Property
 - 6) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees. -8:17
 - 7) District Reports -8:17
 - A) Board Committee Reports
 - 1) Curriculum Committee report given by Chair, Mrs. Ann Masel -8:17
 - 2) Facilities/Finance Committee report given by Chair, Mr. Johnny Smecca -8:19
 - 8) Financial Reports and Budget Update -8:21 *Given by Jeff Martello*
 - 9) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items -8:23 *Motion by Beeton. Second by Jobe. Minutes posted had two spelling errors that have been corrected. Approved 6-0*
 - A) Consider approval of the minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting on May 17, 2023, and the Special Meeting on May 24, 2023.
 - B) Consider approval of personnel resignations and recommendations with contracts.
 - C) Discuss and consider approval of payment of attorney fees.

- D) Consider approval of Budget Amendments
- E) Discuss and consider accepting donations in accordance with Board Policy CDC Local.
- F) Discuss and consider the submission of the 2024-2025 Stronger Connections Grant – to support the way Galveston ISD responds to bullying, violence, and acts of hate.
- G) Discuss and consider approval of a 36-month agreement with Instructure to purchase the Canvas Learning Management System and use ESSER funding to purchase year 1 for an amount not to exceed \$60,736.
- H) Discuss and consider the approval to purchase Neuhaus Education Center’s supplies, materials, and professional development during the 2023-2024 school year using the Galveston Community Dyslexia Initiative grant funds for an amount not to exceed \$70,000.
- I) Consider renewal of CSRFP# 2021-22-014, Disaster Restoration & Recovery Services, naming Mooring Recovery Services, Inc. as the Contractor of Record in the event of an emergency or natural disaster. The 23-24 renewal term would be year two (2) of a five (5) year RFP schedule.
- J) Consider renewal of RFQ 2021-22-016, Surveying Services, naming Landtech and KFW as two firms that GISD may use in the 23-24 term
- K) Consider renewal of RFQ 2021-22-017 Geotechnical Engineering, Environmental Assessment, & Construction Materials Testing
- L) Discuss and consider the approval of an add service proposal for Courville Stadium Stands
- M) Discuss and consider the approval of proposal for Central Middle School Dance Floor
- N) Consideration of Resolution Accepting an Offer and Approving the Sale of Surplus Property Located at 1405 34th Street.
- O) Discuss and consider approval to give the superintendent hiring authority for the months of July and August 2023.
- P) Discuss and consider the purchase of the GoGuardian software annual license.
- Q) Consider approval of the proposal from Onward Learning for Medicaid Claiming Services
- 10) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items -8:24
- A) Discuss and Consider employment of the Superintendent of Schools. -8:24 *Motion by Masel to hire Dr. Matthew Neighbors. Second by Jobe. Discussion. Approved 6-0*
- B) Recommend naming Director of Athletics for GISD. -8:26 *Dr. Neighbors read the administration’s recommendations that Jerald Temple be named head basketball coach/athletic director, Sheldon Benight, our head football coach, as associate athletic director for boys, and Michelle Norfolk, our head volleyball coach, the associate athletic director for Girls. Motion by O’Neal to approve the recommendations. Second by Smecca. Discussion. Approved 5-1. Beeton opposed.*
- C) Discuss and consider approval of the 2023-2024 Salary Plan -8:31 *Motion made and read by Masel. Second by O’Neal. Discussion. Approved 5-0-1. Jobe abstained.*
- D) Discuss advantages and disadvantages of holding future trustee elections in May or in November. -8:40 *Discussion only.*
- 11) Suggested Future Agenda Items -8:45 *Masel asked for a Security update.*
- 12) COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
- Smecca would like to hanks Jerald Temple for his community work with Mike Evans and the camp over the weekend.*
- Jobe talked about the Neuhaus grant for dyslexia and also, he is glad to be able to choose the new AD from current employees.*
- O’Neal spoke about Juneteenth activities and how important it was here in Galveston. Also, he was part of the naturalization session. There were 19 inductees.*
- Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0415, Trustees may report on any of the following items:
1. Expressions of thanks, gratitude, and condolences

2. Information regarding holiday schedules
 3. Honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen
 4. Reminders regarding GISD events
 5. Reminders regarding community events
 6. Health and safety announcements
- 13) Adjournment -8:51

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on June 28, 2023

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Shae Jobe, Secretary