

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AGENDA

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- (A)  Report Only  Recognition

Presenter(s):

Briefly describe the subject of the report or recognition presentation.

- (B)  Action Item

Presenter(s): MR. SAMUEL MIJARES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Briefly describe the action required.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 11, 2020 (REGULAR), BOARD MEETING.

- (C) Funding source: Identify the source of funds if any are required.

- (D) Clarification: Explain any questions or issues that might be raised regarding this item.

Minutes of the Board of Trustees  
Eagle Pass Independent School District

The Board of Trustees of the Eagle Pass Independent School District held a Regular Meeting on February 11, 2020 at 6:00 PM at District Service Center Austin Building, 587 Madison St., Eagle Pass, TX. 78852.

**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Jorge Barrera, Board President-**Entered at 6:25 P.M.**

Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Board Vice-President-**Absent**

Dr. Hector Alvarez, Board Secretary

Ms. Lupita Fuentes, Board Trustee

Ms. Glenna Purcell, Board Trustee

Mr. Christopher Hiller, Board Trustee

Mr. Victor E. Perry, Board Trustee-**Absent**

**Superintendent of Schools:** Mr. Samuel Mijares

**Attorney:** Mr. Richard Strieber, Escamilla & Poneck Law Firm

**Staff Members and Visitors Present:** The sign-in sheet hereby becomes a part of these minutes.

- I. **Meeting Called to Order:** Board Secretary, Dr. Hector Alvarez called the meeting to order at **6:05 P.M.**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Deputy Superintendent for Business & Finance, Ismael Mijares led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Public Hearing of the Eagle Pass Independent School District's Possible Designation as a District of Innovation-** No one signed up for Public Hearing of the Eagle Pass Independent School District's Possible Designation as a District of Innovation.
- IV. **Public Hearing of the Eagle Pass Independent School District 2018-2019 Texas Academic Performance Report-** No one signed up for Public Hearing of the Eagle Pass Independent School District 2018-2019 Texas Academic Performance Report.
- V. **Citizen's Communication/Recognitions:** No one signed up for Citizen's Communication.
  1. **Recognition of Lil' Mavs' Cheer Team for winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Pom Pom Division at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual City Cheer Competition.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized the Lil' Mavs' Cheer Team for winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Pom Pom Division at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual City Cheer Competition. A group picture was taken.
  2. **Recognition of Mrs. Vukotic's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Class for being selected as the Top Imagine Math class in the District.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Mrs. Vukotic's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Class for being selected as the Top Imagine Math Class in the District. A group picture was taken.

3. **Recognition of Ray H. Darr Elementary for earning the Top Accelerated Reader Campus in the District.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Ray H. Darr Elementary for earning the Top Accelerated Reader Campus in the District. A group picture was taken.
4. **Recognition of CC Winn High School Student Juan Vasquez for being awarded a \$48,000 Scholarship from the University of Texas at Austin.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized CC Winn High School Student Juan Vasquez for being awarded a \$48,000 Scholarship from the University of Texas at Austin. A group picture was taken.
5. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School FFA Teacher, Mr. Carlos Cardenas, for being selected as a recipient of the Learning and the Ground Up Garden Grants.** Item tabled for next Regular Board Meeting.
6. **Recognition of Kennedy Hall for attaining the highest attendance percentage for Early Childhood Campuses for the month of January.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Kennedy Hall for attaining the highest attendance percentage for Early Childhood Campuses for the month of January and received a \$1,000.00 Cashier's Check. A group picture was taken.
7. **Recognition of Ray H. Darr Elementary for attaining the highest attendance percentage for Southside Elementary Campuses for the month of January.** Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Ray H. Darr Elementary for attaining the highest attendance percentage for Southside Elementary campuses for the month of January and received a \$1,000.00 Cashier's Check. A group picture was taken.
8. **Recognition of Armando Cerna Elementary for attaining the highest attendance percentage for Northside Elementary campuses for the month of January.** Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Armando Cerna Elementary for attaining the highest attendance percentage for Northside Elementary campuses for the month of January and received a \$1,000.00 Cashier's Check. A group picture was taken.
9. **Recognition of Eagle Pass Jr. High School for attaining the highest attendance percentage for secondary campuses for the month of January.** Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass Jr. High School for attaining the highest attendance percentage for secondary campuses for the month of January and received a \$1,000.00 Cashier's Check. A group picture was taken.
10. **Recognition of Kirchner Elementary for being selected as the Most Clean and Maintained Campus for the month of January 2020.** Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and announced Pete Gallego Elementary recognition for being selected as the most clean and maintained campus for the month of December 2019. A group picture was taken.

## VI. District Reports/Presentations

1. **Financial Report.** No questions from the Board.
2. **Utility Report.** No questions from the Board.
3. **Tax Collection Report.** No questions from the Board.
4. **Delinquent Collection Activities for October – December, 2019.** No questions from the Board.
5. **Presentation of the Eagle Pass Independent School District 2018-2019 Texas Academic Performance Report.** Mr. Rene Martinez, School Improvement Curriculum & Accountability Director, reviewed in detail the 2019-2020 Annual Report (TAPR) which reflected that all categories scored above State and Federal guidelines. All of the Boards questions and concerns were addressed.
6. **Presentation by Food Service Director on student meals offered by campus cafeteria.** Trustee Alvarez, congratulated Mr. Garcia and all of the Food Service Department staff for all of their hard work and efforts. Mr. Mario E. Garcia, Food Service Director, reviewed in detail the changes and initiatives that have been implemented in providing diverse food choices for all students both for breakfast and lunch. At the secondary level we have implemented the Salad Bars, Grab and Go, Food Truck, Smoothie Machines and just introduced Breakfast in the Classroom. At the elementary schools we have had Breakfast in the Classroom and will be introducing the Grab and Go. Self-Serve Lines are district wide. A Centralized Kitchen will be handling all of the Grad and Go meals for the district. As a department we received the 2018/2019 Equipment Grant which allows us to update/upgrade the cafeteria equipment. Tortilla warmers and hot bags will assist in the hot meals. All district cafeterias have certified Managers with a Texas Food Mangers Certification, fully staffed as per Meals per Labor Hour (TDA, TASBO, ESC20) and passed all the state and local Health inspections. All of the Boards questions and concerns were addressed.

## VII. Action Items

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to appoint a District-Level Advisory Committee (DAC) to develop a District of Innovation Plan. **The Boards questions and concerns were addressed. Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Purcell to appoint a District-Level Advisory Committee (DAC) to develop a District of Innovation Plan. Motion Granted 5/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to submit a low attendance days waiver for Eagle Pass ISD to the Texas Education Agency. **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Purcell to approve the request to submit a low attendance days waiver for Eagle Pass ISD to the Texas Education Agency. Motion Granted 5/0.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the E-Rate Year 23 Application. **Motion by Trustee Alvarez second by Trustee Fuentes to approve the E-Rate Year 23 Application. Motion Granted 5/0.**

4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-10 between Eagle Pass ISD and the Middle Rio Grande Development Council for the Source Reduction Grant. **The Boards questions and concerns were addressed. Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Purcell to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-10 between Eagle Pass ISD and the Middle Rio Grande Development Council for the Source Reduction Grant. Motion Granted 5/0.**
5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept Southwest Texas Junior College Diesel Mechanic Coop students to complete their on the job training hours at EPISD Transportation Mechanic Shop. **Motion by Trustee Alvarez second by Trustee Fuentes to approve the request to accept Southwest Texas Junior College Diesel Mechanic Coop students to complete their on the job training hours at EPISD Transportation Mechanic Shop. Motion Granted 5/0.**

### VIII. Consent Items

It was the consensus of the Board to consider item(s) 1 & 6 in One Motion. **Motion by Trustee Fuentes second by Trustee Purcell. Motion Granted 5/0.**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2020 (Regular) Board Meeting. **Item previously considered.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the walking trail project at Ray Darr Elementary in conjunction with the Maverick County Commissioner Court. **Item previously considered.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the General Fund Budget. **Item previously considered.**
4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to declare the attached list of items as surplus property and authorize its disposal. **Item previously considered.**
5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept a grant for \$500 from Texas Farm Bureau for the Eagle Pass High School Agriculture Class for the purchase of garden supplies. **Item previously considered.**  
  
**Board President, Mr. Jorge Barrera thanked Texas Farm Bureau for the \$500.00 grant for Eagle Pass High School Agriculture Class for the purchase of garden supplies.**
6. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve a Care Coordination Agreement between Camino Real Community Services and the Eagle Pass Independent School District. **Item previously considered.**

- IX. **Closed Session:** Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code: PERSONNEL MATTERS: Under Section 551.074 Texas Government Code, to deliberate the appointments, employment, evaluations, reassignments, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officers or employee; or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee:

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at **7:38 PM** Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084, Texas Government Code: **Motion by Trustee Alvarez second by Trustee Hiller. Motion Granted 5/0.**

1. The Board will consult with its Attorney regarding pending District construction litigation.  
TGC 551.071
  
- X. **Open Session:** The meeting reconvened at **8:27 PM.**
  
- XI. **Correspondence and Information:** Superintendent's Announcements:
  1. Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> - I will be out of the office attending the TASA Superintendents Academy in Round Rock, TX
  
- XII. **Adjournment:**  
There, being no further business, the meeting adjourned at **8:28 PM. Motion by Trustee Fuentes second by Trustee Purcell. Motion Granted 5/0**

WE AFFIRM THAT THESE MINUTES ARE OFFICAL, COMPLETE, AND CORRECT.

President: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Minutes Signed: \_\_\_\_\_