

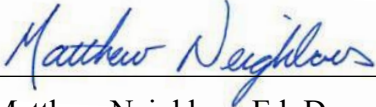
# Action Sheet

**MEETING DATE:** May 20, 2026

**AGENDA ITEM:** Discuss and consider approval of Officer Brittany Hines to purchase her partner k-9 Officer “Bonsai” from Galveston Independent School District

Officer Hines will be seeking approval to purchase her partner K-9 officer “Bonsai” from Galveston Independent School District at the sum of \$1.00. Bonsai was born in Czechia on March 10, 2018. She began her working career at approximately two years of age and is currently eight years old. K9 Bonsai is assigned as a narcotics detection canine. She is utilized on school campuses to assist in maintaining a safe, drug-free environment. Bonsai has served Galveston ISD for approximately six years. She has been partnered with Officer Hines since June 10, 2022. Bonsai has reached her retirement age and it is customary for the handler to purchase and care for the animal for the remainder of life due to the safety of the dog.

**RECOMMENDATION:** I move that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of Bonsai at the sum of \$1.00 to GISD Police Officer Hines to assume responsibility for Bonsai and care for her for the remainder of Bonsai’s life.

  
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