



## 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 March 26, 2025, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

*BOT in attendance: Smecca, Beeton, Lakin, Brown, Masel, Tucker, O'Neal*

*Staff in attendance: Patrick, Grant, Dickerson, Pruitt, Scott, Post, Martello, Mizelle, Edenfield, Neighbors, Bly*

- 1) Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas. -6:00
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. -6:00
- 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
  - Tom Singleton - Spoke in favor of Juneteenth Museum proposal for LA Morgan*
  - Sean Arthur - Spoke in favor of Juneteenth Museum proposal for LA Morgan*
  - Sam Collins - Played a recording about the Juneteenth Museum proposal.*
  - Lillian McGrew - Read a resolution 25-013 from the city about LA Morgan.*
  - Joe Jaworski - Thanked the board for its decision to go with project Rosenberg and gave an update about fundraising.*
  - Tim Sykes - Spoke in favor of Juneteenth Museum proposal for LA Morgan*
  - Rebecca Jaworski - Thank you to the board for the opportunity to purchase Rosenberg*
  - Tarris Woods - Shares the same concerns as Pastor Sykes.*
- 4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest. -6:31 none
- 5) District Reports -6:31
  - A) Superintendent's Report -6:31
    - 1) Advanced Academics, Gifted and Talented -6:31 *Advanced Academics presented by Jennifer Edenfield and at 6:47 Gifted and Talented by Stephanie Mizelle.*
  - B) Board Committee Reports -7:12
    - 1) Facilities/Finance Committee -7:12 *Reports given by Chair, Mr. Johnny Smecca*
- 6) Financial Reports and Budget Update
- 7) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items -6:28
  - A) Consideration of Resolution Accepting an Offer and Approving the Sale of Surplus Property described as a parcel of land containing approximately 4.4529 acres part of Galveston Outlots and adjacent streets, together with improvements located thereon, located at 1421 37th Street Galveston, Galveston County, Texas -6:28
    - Presented by Matthew Neighbors. Bidders include Build Galveston for public housing and a proposal by Hope tutorial INC for Juneteenth Museum.*
- 8) 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. -7:21

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) Consultation with Attorney (Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.071) - Consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or matters in which the duty of the attorney to the school district under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the state's open meetings laws.

B) Personnel Matters (Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.074) – Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, dismissal or resignation of an employee or employees, including the Superintendent.

C) Real Property (Tex. Govt Code Section 551.072) – Discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate in which the discussion in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the ability of the school district to negotiate with a third party. Updates on Rosenberg and Morgan included.

D) Prospective Gifts or Donations (Tex. Govt Code Section 551.073) – Discuss prospective gifts or donations to the Galveston Independent School District and/or individual campuses, programs or facilities.

E) Network Security, Security Devices and Security Audits (Tex. Govt Code Sections 551.076 and 551.089) – Discuss Network security information; a security audit; the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices; or security assessment or deployments related to information resources technology.

9) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees. -8:14 Masel needed to leave.

10) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items -8:14 motion by Tucker. Second by O'Neal.  
*Discussion. Motion passes. 6-0 Masel absent.*

A) Consider approval of the minutes from the February 19, 2025, Regular School Board Meeting and the March 5, 2025, Special Meeting

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 Approval of the New Ball High North Building - Classroom Furniture Purchase (Main Grouping)

G) Discuss and consider approval of Audit Engagement Letter for the August 31, 2025 Fiscal Year-End Audit

H) Approve performance contract with Trinity Upbring for Pre-K partnership with recommendations from TEA.

I) Discuss and consider approval of year 3 of 5 professional development services CSRFP# 2022-23-015 Capturing Kids Hearts -The Flippen Group for an amount not to exceed \$59,000.

J) Discuss and consider approval of Fuel Purchases for FY25

- K) Discuss and consider approval of RFP 2024-25-001 Internet Service Provider - District Wide (E-Rate) for Two Ethernet Dedicated Internet (EDI) lines
  - L) Discuss and consider the approval of Lit Service for District Wide Area Network (WAN) Proposal – RFP 2024-25-002
  - M) Discuss and consider the approval of RFP 2024-25-003 - E-Rate Cat 2 Equipment, Services, and Cabling E-rate Category 2 purchases of infrastructure equipment
  - N) Discuss and Consider Approval of Bid Tabulations 05 for Courville Pressbox – Millwork, Tile Work, Traffic Coating, and Flooring.
  - O) Discuss and consider approval to Purchase Newline Interactive Display Panel Bundle for Weis Middle School Renovation.
  - P) Discuss and consider approval to Purchase the Audio Enhancement Solutions.
  - Q) Discuss and Consider Approval of Annual Renewal of Microsoft Volume Licensing Agreement
  - R) Discuss and consider approval of an out-of-state trip to Orlando, Florida, for three Ball High School Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE) students to attend and compete at the Educators Rising Summit, the National-level competition for TAFE.
- 11) Suggested Future Agenda Items -8:15 *none*
- 12) COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES -8:15
- O'Neal would like a moment of silence for former teacher, Ms. Bacon*
- Tucker would like to have a moment for Bernie Ponse*
- Smecca would like to say that he enjoys going to the Governance Camp in Galveston and especially enjoyed watching our kids present at the conference.*
- Lakin added that the teacher who got teacher of the year at Parker was a Ball graduate.*
- Tucker added he was a BESTT student.*
- Brown announced the 200th anniversary of the founding of the port of Galveston this year. The kickoff is on May 22nd. Maritime day.*
- 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 salutory 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 -8:22

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on April 16, 2025

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Mr. Tony Brown, President

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Mindy Lakin, Secretary