

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 OCTOBER 8, 2019 (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 October 08, 2019 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
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Board Vice-President
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

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 President, Jorge Barrera called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Superintendent Mijares led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Public Hearing on "School First" Rating (Financial Accountability Ratings System of Texas):** Opened at 6:04 PM No one signed up, closed at 6:04 PM
- IV. **Citizen's Communication-** No one signed up for Citizen's Communication/Recognitions:
 1. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School student Malinalli Cisneros for attending the Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Boston, Massachusetts and received an Award of Excellence.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass High School student Malinalli Cisneros for attending the Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Boston, Massachusetts and received an Award of Excellence. A group picture was taken.
 2. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School students Lleana Fernandez and Jesus Torres for being recognized by the National Hispanic Recognition Program Class of 2020.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass High School students Lleana Fernandez and Jesus Torres for being recognized by the National Hispanic Recognition Program Class of 2020. A group picture was taken.
 3. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Baseball Coach Reynol Mendoza for being selected by Team USA as a pitching coach for the 2019 Women's National Team.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent

and recognized Eagle Pass High School Baseball Coach Reynol Mendoza for being selected by Team USA as a pitching coach for the 2019 Women's National Team. A group picture was taken.

4. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School staff on their outstanding achievements on the 2019 Texas Education Agency Accountability Ratings and for having the highest overall score amongst EPISD Secondary Campuses.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass High School staff on their outstanding achievements on the 2019 Texas Education Agency Accountability Ratings and for having the highest overall score amongst EPISD Secondary Campuses. A group picture was taken.
5. **Recognition of Kirchner Elementary Staff for their outstanding achievements on the 2019 Texas Education Agency accountability Ratings and for having the highest overall score amongst EPISD Elementary Campuses.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Kirchner Elementary staff on their outstanding achievements on the 2019 Texas Education Agency Accountability Ratings and for having the highest overall score amongst EPISD Elementary Campuses. A group picture was taken.
6. **Recognition of San Luis Elementary for being selected as the Most Clean and Maintained Campus for the month of September 2019.** Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and announced San Luis Elementary recognition for being selected as the most clean and maintained campus for the month of September 2019. A group picture was taken.
7. **Recognition of Principals during October as proclaimed by Texas Governor Greg Abbott.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass ISD Principals. A group picture was taken.
8. **Recognition of Eagle Pass Independent School District's Human Resources Department in celebration of Texas Education Human Resources Day on October 9, 2019.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass ISD Human Resources Department in celebration of the Texas Education Human Resources Day. A group picture was taken.

V. 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. **Report on Eagle Pass ISD "School First" Rating (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas).** Deputy Superintendent for Business & Finance Ismael Mijares explained that it is a report that is brought to the board every year. TEA examines how efficiently school districts use their education dollars. Eagle Pass ISD received the highest rating score of 100 points out of 100 points for the current year. Mr. Mijares stated that this rating would not have been possible without everyone's hard work and dedication, and it reflects our district's teamwork. He thanked

the School Board, Superintendent, Cabinet, Directors, Principals, support staff and everyone that helped in achieving this Rating.

5. **Review Investment Officer's Annual Report of Investment Transactions for all funds for the quarter ended August 31, 2019.** No questions from the Board.

VI. Action Items

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to adopt a Resolution 2019/2020-05 to approve the annual review of investment policy and investment strategies in accordance with Board Policy CDA (Legal). **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Perry to approve the adoption of resolution 2019/2020-05. Motion Granted 7/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to adopt Resolution 2019-2020/06 to nominate candidates to serve as Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). **Motion by Trustee Barrera second by Trustee Purcell to keep current members. Motion Granted 7/0.**
3. Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of Eagle Pass Independent School District Maintenance Tax Notes, Series 2019; and approving other matters incident and related thereto. **Mr. David Gonzalez, PFM Financial Advisors and Mr. Juan Aguilera, School District Bond Counsel Escamilla & Poneck. Mr. Gonzalez reviewed the Final Pricing Results. He stated that The Federal Reserve has dropped rates twice in the last five months. He explained that the banks that submitted a bid had interest rates ranging from 2.320% to 2.540%. Key Government Finance had the lowest interest rate of 2.320% for 15 years term for a total of \$8,268,938 with interest. If approved by the Board, the loan would close on November 7, 2019. Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Perry to approve the resolution of issuance, sale and delivery. Motion Granted 7/0.**

VII. Consent Items

It was the consensus of the Board to consider item(s) 1 & 7 in One Motion. **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Alvarez. Motion Granted 7/0.**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2019 (Regular) and September 24, 2019 (Workshop) Board Meetings. **Item previously considered.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Eagle Pass ISD and South Texas Rural Health Services. **Item previously considered.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the Letter of Agreement between Family Service Association and the Eagle Pass Independent School District of the implementation of the Project Towards No Drug Abuse (Project TND). **Item previously considered.**

4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept a donation of dictionaries for Eagle Pass ISD's 3rd grade students. **Questions and concerns from the Board were addressed.**
 5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept a monetary donation from the Rotary Club of Eagle Pass. **Questions and concerns from the Board were addressed.**
 6. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept a donation of at least eighty (80) coats to underprivileged Eagle Pass ISD elementary school students from Border Federal Credit Union's Professional United to Leading a Successful Economy (PULSE), organization dedicated to helping his community. **President Barrera stated that Border Federal Credit Union's (PULSE) had informed us that they were increasing their donation by an additional 20 coats for a total of 100 coats.**
 7. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to accept a monetary donation of \$1,000 from Burlington Coat Factory through the adopt a classroom program. **Item previously considered.**
- VIII. **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 **6:40 PM** Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084, Texas Government Code: **Motion by Trustee Fuentes second Trustee Alvarez. Motion Granted 7/0.**
1. The Board will discuss the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074.
 2. The Board will discuss the request to hire a professional employee to assigned by the Superintendent as Instructional Officer subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent.
 3. The Board will consult with its attorney regarding the requirements for random, drug, alcohol and tobacco testing of students. TGC 552.071
- IX. **Open Session:** The meeting reconvened at **7:38 PM** and the Board will consider and take appropriate action on the item(s) discussed in Closed Session.
- X.
1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.0741. **Motion by Trustee Purcell seconded by Trustee Perry to approve the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies as discussed in Closed Session. Motion Granted 7/0.**
 2. Consider and take action on the request to hire a professional employee to be assigned by the Superintendent as Instructional Officer subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. **Motion by Trustee Fuentes second by Trustee Martinez to approve the hiring of Isaac Gracia as a professional employee to be assigned by the Superintendent as Instructional Officer subject to possible future reassignment by the Superintendent. Motion Granted 7/0.**

XI. **Correspondence and Information:** Superintendent's Announcements:

School Board Members Continuing Education Credit Hours-**Board Member Required Continuing Education Report**

Per the Texas Administrative Code, Title 19, Part 2, Chapter 61, Subchapter A, Section 61.1 (j):

This year, Tier One training applied only to new board member Mr. Victor E. Perry and consists of at least 3 hours of local district orientation within 60 days of election; 3 hours of orientation to the Texas Education Code within 120 days of election; and 1 hour of Open Meetings training with 90 days of election. Mr. Victor E. Perry has exceeded the local district orientation and completed the orientation to the Texas Education Code and the Open Meetings training.

Tier Two training consists of Board Self-Assessment and Superintendent and Board Team-Building. At least 3 hours of Tier Two training are required each year. All Board Members have completed the required Tier Two training for the year 2019.

Tier Three training consists of continuing education for Board Members in areas of assessed needs. At least 10 hours of Tier Three training are required for new board members. Mr. Victor E. Perry, a new board member, has exceeded the required continuing education for the year 2019 with 10.75 hours. At least 5 hours of Tier Three training are required each year for experienced board members. All experienced board members have met the required Tier Three training for the year 2019. Mr. Jorge Barrera has exceeded the required continuing education with 17.25 hours. Ms. Hilda P. Martinez has exceeded the required continuing education with 14.50 hours. Dr. Hector Alvarez has exceeded the required continuing education with 13.24 hours. Ms. Lupita Fuentes has exceeded the required continuing education with 14.50 hours. Ms. Glenna Purcell has exceeded the required continuing education with 13.25 hours. Mr. Christopher Hiller has exceeded the required continuing education with 21 hours.

Completing the annual required continuing education is a basic obligation and expectation of any sitting board member under State Board of Education Rule. No board members are deficient in any area of continuing education training for the year 2019.

Community Breakfast-Wednesday, October 16, 2019-8:00 a.m.-Huddle House-Mr. Jorge Barrera will be presenting. If you need a ticket, please let Marisela know.

XII. **Adjournment:**

There, being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM. Motion by Trustee Perry second by Trustee Alvarez. Motion Granted 7/0

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

President: _____ Secretary: _____

Date Minutes Approved: _____ Date Minutes Signed: _____