

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 January 20, 2021, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX 77550.

Notice was given pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.127 as modified by the Texas Attorney General, that due to the state of emergency declared by, Governor Abbott on behalf of the State of Texas, and President Trump on behalf of the United States of America regarding the spread of coronavirus/COVID-19 (hereafter "COVID-19"), one or more members of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees may have attended this meeting via videoconference in order to properly mitigate the spread of COVID-19, pursuant to State and local emergency/disaster declarations. Notice was given that Galveston ISD intended to conduct this meeting via videoconference. As required by the temporary suspension, Galveston ISD:

- Has provided online written notice containing a free-of-charge website link, as well as an electronic copy of any agenda packet, before conducting this meeting via videoconference; specifically, the public may use the following free-of-charge website link: <https://www.gisd.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=5397>; or a live broadcast on Channel 17.
- Provided the public with access and a means to participate in the meeting, at 3904 Ave T Galveston, TX 77550; or by telephone at 409-766-5139; and
- Provided the public with access to a recording of the meeting.

The subjects discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown.

Board members in attendance: Wagner, O'Neal, Jobe, Brown, Smecca, and Lakin
Absent: Masel

Administration in attendance: Kelli Moulton, Annette Scott, Billy Rudolph, Audrey Torres, April Pinkham, Walter Fortune, Paul Byers, John Pruitt and Dyann Polzin.
Via Zoom: Connie Morgenroth

Audio visual recording of this meeting can be found online at:
<https://gisd.viebit.com/index.php?folder=ALL>

- 1) Call to order Open Session in the BoardRoom of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas. --6:30
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. --6:31
- 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. --none
- 4) Superintendent's Report --6:32

- A) Campus Highlight - Austin --6:32-6:36
Presented by Mr. Neighbors
- B) Update on Returning to Learning --6:36-6:43
Presented by Dr. Moulton
Board Comments/Questions --6:43-6:49
- C) Schools of Choice Application Schedule - Billy Rudolph --6:49-6:55
Presented by Billy Rudolph
Board Comments/Questions --6:55-6:58
- D) Board Appreciation Month --6:49-7:07

- E) Previously Requested Information by the Board:--7:07-7:19
Addressed in Committee and/or on Sunday notes.
- F) Board Committee Reports--7:07
 - 1) Policy Committee Chair- Mr. David O'Neal--7:07-7:08
Next meeting is Wednesday, February 3, 2021
 - 2) Curriculum Committee Chair- Ms. Monica Wagner--7:08-7:15
Report given.
 - 3) Facilities/Finance Committee Chair- Mr. Johnny Smecca--7:15-7:19
Report given.
- 5) Financial Reports --7:19
Reports given last night at Finance. No questions from the board.
 - A) 2021 - 2022 Budget Calendar
- 6) 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. --7:20

- 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
 - B) Consultation with Attorney
 - C) Real Property
- 7) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees.--7:55
- 8) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items--7:55
Motion by Smecca, Second by Wagner. All in favor. Absent: Masel
 - A) Consider approval of the minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting on December 16, 2020, the Special Meeting on December 9, 2020 and the Special Meeting on January 6, 2021.
 - B) Consider approval of the Board's Time Use Tracker - December 16, 2020
 - C) Consider approval of personnel resignations and recommendations with contracts.
 - D) Consider approval of Budget Amendments
 - E) Discuss and consider accepting donations in accordance with Board Policy CDC Local.
 - F) Consider Approval of Purchases >\$50,000

- G) Discuss and consider approval of payment of attorney fees.
 - H) Discuss and consider approval of 3 deductive change orders totaling \$128,681 related to Bond 2018 MEP projects that are now substantially complete
 - I) Discuss and consider approval of purchase of LED Sports Lighting Retrofit for Baseball and Softball fields from Musco Sports Lighting, LLC using Buyboard Contract #592-19
 - J) Discuss and consider approval of purchase of food service equipment, not to exceed \$350,000, using Child Nutrition fund balance.
 - K) An Order Authorizing the Issuance of Galveston Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021; Providing for the Award of the Sale Thereof in Accordance with Specified Parameters; Levying a Tax and Providing for the Security and Payment Thereof; And Enacting Other Provisions Relating Thereto.
 - L) Discuss and consider approval of Board Resolutions and Interlocal Agreements with Region 10 ESC for Retirement Asset Management Services (RAMS)
- 9) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items--7:56
- A) Discuss and consider Appointment of Interim Superintendent.
Motion by Smecca to appoint Dyann Polzin as interim superintendent, Second by Lakin. Discussion by board. All in favor. Absent: Masel
 - B) Discuss and consider a Resolution of the Board of Trustees thanking Dr. Kelli Moulton for her service to our children, our community, and our District during her term as Superintendent of Schools.--7:59
Resolution read by Brown. Motion by Wagner to adopt the resolution, second by O'Neal. Discussion by board members. All in favor. Absent: Masel
- 10)Suggested Future Agenda Items--8:28
- 11)Board Comments
- 8:28 Wagner - *Spoke about Covid awareness. Thanks to teachers.*
 - 8:30 O'Neal - *Thanks to Teachers and Admin and also to the Board for their diligence and spirit. Remind parents and students we are in this together. Discipline is important.*
 - 8:33 Smecca - *Wants to wish Mike Evans well in NFC championship.*
 - 8:34 Brown - *The Educational Results Partnership named Oppe, LA Morgan and Austin Middle School to the National Honor Roll of Schools. Congrats to AIM high school graduates.*
- 12)Adjournment --8:35

Minutes taken by: Amedia Bly

Approved on: _____

Mr. Tony Brown, President

Mrs. Monica Wagner, Secretary

For the Board of Trustees