

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AGENDA

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- (A) ☐ Report Only ☐ Recognition

Presenter(s):

Briefly describe the subject of the report or recognition presentation.

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- (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 APRIL 03, 2024 (JOINT WORKSHOP) AND THE APRIL 15, 2024 (REGULAR) BOARD MEETINGS.
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- (C) Funding source: Identify the source of funds if any are required.

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

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Minutes of the Board of Trustees
Eagle Pass Independent School District

The Board of Trustees of the Eagle Pass Independent School District held a Joint Workshop on April 3, 2024 at 3:00 PM at the International Center for Trade, 3295 Bob Rodgers Dr., Eagle Pass, TX. 78852.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Jorge Barrera, Board President
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Board Vice-President - **Absent**
Dr. Hector Alvarez, Board Secretary - **Absent**
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 - **Absent**

I. Joint Workshop with City of Eagle Pass Water Works Board of Trustees, Eagle Pass City Council and Maverick County Commissioners Court:

1. Discussion and update on legislative issues including:
 - a. Funding on Unified Transportation Program for Hwy 57
 - b. Funding for more Water Works infrastructure projects
 - c. 4 Year University downward expansion
 - d. Construction and connection of old Mines Road
 - e. Airport Funding
 - f. Support and funding of EPISD facilities
 - g. Loop 480 completion
 - h. Oppose school vouchers

No quorum was met.
No action taken.

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

President: _____ Secretary: _____

Date Minutes Approved: _____ Date Minutes Signed: _____

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 Board Meeting on April 15, 2024 at 5:45 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. Glenna Purcell, Board Trustee
Mr. Christopher Hiller, Board Trustee
Mr. Victor E. Perry, Board Trustee

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Samuel Mijares

Attorney: Ms. Valerie Carrillo for Mr. Richard Strieber, Escamilla & Poneck Law Firm

- I. **Meeting Called to Order:** Board President, Jorge Barrera called the meeting to order at 5:48 P.M.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Superintendent Mijares led the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Citizen's Communication:** Mr. Alfredo Heredia – Eagle Pass Softball Little League President, addressed the Board and ask them to consider lowering fee for the use of the Softball field at the SAC for the Eagle Pass Softball Little League girls to use in the summer.

Recognitions

1. **Celebration of Ms. Lupita Fuentes for her dedicated service to the Eagle Pass Independent School District as School Board Member for 21 years.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and made a presentation on celebration of the life of Board Trustee Lupita Fuentes (†). A plaque and name plate were presented to her family. A group picture was taken. City of Eagle Pass City Council members, along with Mr. Billy Davis, Mayor Pro Tem read and presented the family with a Proclamation in honor of Lupita Fuentes. A group picture was taken with the family. Maverick County Commissioners along with Maverick County Judge Ramsey English-Cantu who presented the family with a Proclamation in honor of Lupita Fuentes. A group picture was taken with the family.
2. **Recognition of the Nellie Mae Glass Elementary Division 2 girls' basketball team for winning the City of Eagle Pass Basketball Championship.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized the Nellie Mae Glass Elementary Division 2 girls' basketball team for winning the City of Eagle pass Basketball Championship. A group picture was taken.

3. **Recognition of the Nellie Mae Glass Elementary Falcon Cheer Team who won the Division Championship for the MCDA Nationals and earned a bid to the Super Nationals in Reno Tahoe, Nevada.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Nellie Mae Glass Elementary Falcon Cheer Team who won the Division Championship for the MCDA Nationals and earned a bid to the Super Nationals in Reno Tahoe, Nevada. A group picture was taken.
4. **Recognition of the 2023-2024 Graves Elementary Junior Varsity Cheer Squad for placing 1st in the Elementary School Mini Level 1 at the Cheer and Dance Championship at Six Flags Fiesta Texas in San Antonio.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized the 2023-2024 Graves Elementary Junior Varsity Cheer Squad for placing 1st in the Elementary School Mini Level 1 at the Cheer and Dance Championship at Six Flags Fiesta Texas in San Antonio. A group picture was taken.
5. **Recognition of the 2023-2024 Graves Elementary Varsity Cheer Squad for placing 1st in the Elementary School Intermediate Level at the Cheer and Dance Championships at Six Flags Fiesta Texas in San Antonio.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized the 2023-2024 Graves Elementary Varsity Cheer Squad for placing 1st in the Elementary School Intermediate Level at the Cheer and Dance Championships at Six Flags Fiesta Texas in San Antonio. A group picture was taken.
6. **Recognition of the Liberty Elementary Eagle Division 3 Girls basketball team for being undefeated and winning the City of Eagle Pass Basketball Championship.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized the Liberty Elementary Eagle Division 3 Girls basketball team for being undefeated and winning the City of Eagle Pass Basketball Championship. A group picture was taken.
7. **Recognition of the Liberty Elementary Eagles Division 2 Baseball Team for winning the Triple Play Winter 2024 Championship on Thursday, March 7, 2024.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized the Liberty Elementary Eagles Division 2 Baseball Team for winning the Triple Play Winter 2024 Championship on Thursday, March 7, 2024. A group picture was taken.
8. **Recognition of the Liberty Elementary Division 3 Boys' Basketball Team for being undefeated and winning the City of Eagle Pass Championship.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized the Liberty Elementary Division 3 Boys' Basketball Team for being undefeated and winning the City of Eagle Pass Championship. A group picture was taken.
9. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Senior Paola Sarabi for being selected to the UTSA Top Scholar Program class of 2028 and receiving a full-ride scholarship for her outstanding academic performance throughout her four years of high school.** Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass High School Senior Paola Sarabi for being selected to the UTSA Top Scholar Program class of 2028 and receiving a full-ride scholarship for her

outstanding academic performance throughout her four years of high school. A group picture was taken.

10. Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Senior Claudia Hernandez for being accepted at John Hopkins University and receiving a scholarship package of about \$80,000 per year through the Quest Bridge National College Match Program.

Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass High School Senior Claudia Hernandez for being accepted at John Hopkins University and receiving a scholarship package of about \$80,000 per year through the Quest Bridge National College Match Program. A group picture was taken.

11. Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Student Council for being recognized by the Texas Association of Student Councils (TASC) as a Sweepstakes Council and recognition by the District 15's Alamo Association of Student Councils as an Honor Council.

Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Eagle Pass High School Student Council for being recognized by the Texas Association of Student Councils (TASC) as a Sweepstakes Council and recognition by the District 15's Alamo Association of Student Councils as an Honor Council. A group picture was taken.

12. Recognition of Miss Alejandra Martinez, Memorial Junior High School science teacher for her collaboration with TEA to develop the new science standards for the 6th-8th grade that will be implemented in the 2024-2025 school year.

Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and recognized Miss Alejandra Martinez, Memorial Junior High School science teacher for her collaboration with TEA to develop the new science standards for the 6th-8th grade that will be implemented in the 2024-2025 school year. A group picture was taken.

IV. 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. **Review Investment Officer's Quarterly Report of Investment Transaction for all funds for the Quarter ended February 29, 2024** – No questions from the Board.
5. **Presentation on update of Eagle Pass High School Track Project** – Mr. Powell, Architect addressed the board and gave an update regarding the Eagle Pass High School Track Project. Project original bid date line was originally April 4, 2024. At a very late date they received a six-page questionnaire from a very important vendor. In the best interest of the District, it was decided to delay the bid date to April 25, 2024. The questions were addressed since that time and we have significant interest in this project. We will be back in May to report on outcome.

V. Action Items

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to adopt Resolution 2023/24-08 to nominate a Candidate to fill the vacancy of Board of Director of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). **Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Hiller to nominate Mrs. Glenna Purcell to fill the vacancy of Board of Director of the Maverick County Appraisal District (MCAD). Motion Granted 5/0, Trustee Purcell abstained.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to award Sealed Proposal No. 242804 for High School cafeteria furniture and finishes for EPHS and CC Winn and the Board delegates the Superintendent or Designee the authority to make related budgeted purchases of goods or services as per Board Policy CH and to amend the budget accordingly to include other matters related thereto. **Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Hiller to award Sealed Proposal No. 242804 for High School cafeteria furniture and finishes for EPHS and CC Winn. Motion Granted 6/0.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to award Sealed Proposal No. 242904 for food distribution area remodel for EPHS and CC Winn and the Board delegates the Superintendent or Designee the authority to make related budgeted purchases of goods or services as per Board Policy CH and to amend the budget accordingly to include other matters related thereto. **Motion by Trustee Alvarez second by Trustee Hiller to award Sealed Proposal No. 242904 for food distribution area remodel for EPHS and CC Winn. Motion Granted 6/0.**
4. Consideration and approval of Resolution 2023/24-09 regarding early release days and compensation of employees regarding same time. **Motion by Trustee Perry second by Trustee Alvarez to approve the 2024-2025 school calendar. Motion Granted 6/0.**

VI. Consent Items

It was the consensus of the Board to consider item(s) 1-8 in One Motion. **Motion by Trustee Perry second by Trustee Purcell. Motion Granted 6/0.**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 (Regular) and the March 19, 2024 (Regular) Board Meetings. **With correction as indicated at the meeting. Ms. Valerie Carrillo, Attorney was present instead of Mr. Richard Streiber.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve a Joint Election Agreement between the District, Maverick County, and the Hospital District for Joint Elections to take place on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. A Joint Election is required by Section 11.0581 of the Education Code for the District to hold its annual Election of Trustees in the District.
3. Consider and take appropriate action to hold the District's Annual Election of Trustees on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 for Positions 1, 2, 6 and 7 in accordance with State Law and Board Policy BBB (Local).
4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve, in accordance with Board Policy CH, the Interlocal Agreement to participate in the Education Service Center Region 20,

Texas 20 Purchasing Cooperative and the Board delegates the Superintendent or Designee the authority to make related budgeted purchases of goods or services as per Board Policy CH.

5. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the General Fund Budget.
6. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to revise Board Policy DEC (Local) as per TASB.
7. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the summer work schedule for the District Service Center Staff and the Campus Administrative Staff for the months of June, July, and August.
8. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve a donation from Maxey Energy company of \$500 through the Educational Alliance Program for the use specifically for Math and Science.

VII. **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 **7:04 PM** Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084, Texas Government Code: **Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Perry. Motion Granted 6/0.**

1. The Board will deliberate on the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074.
2. The Board will hear the request to approve Term Contracts as presented.
3. The Board will consult with its legal counsel regarding Cause Number 2:21–CV–00048–AM–CW, Liliana Jimenez vs Eagle Pass ISD, in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Del Rio Division, and a possible resolution of the case. TGC 551.071
4. The Board will hear the Districtwide Intruder Detection Audit Report findings.

VIII. **Open Session:** The meeting reconvened at **7:37 PM** and the Board will consider and take appropriate action on the item(s) discussed in Closed Session.

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074. **Motion by Trustee Perry seconded by Trustee Martinez to approve the request to Hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074. Motion Granted 6/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve Term Contracts as presented. **Motion by Trustee Hiller seconded by Trustee Alvarez to approve term contracts as presented. Motion Granted 6/0. Trustee Purcell abstained from #34 only.**

3. Consideration and possible action to resolve Cause Number 2:21-CV-00048-AM-CW, Liliana Jimenez vs Eagle Pass ISD, In the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Del Rio Division. **Motion by Trustee Purcell seconded by Trustee Hiller to approve the settlement in Cause Number 2:21-CV-00048-AM-CW, Liliana Jimenez vs Eagle Pass ISD, In the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Del Rio Division as discussed in close session. Motion Granted 6/0.**

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

1. Thursday – April 18, 2024 – Transportation Luncheon – 1:00 PM – New Transportation Bldg.
2. Friday – April 19, 2024 – CCWHS NHS Induction Ceremony – 6:00 PM – Auditorium
3. Monday – April 22, 2024 – EPHS – NHS Induction Ceremony – 6:00 PM - Cafeteria
4. Thursday – May 2, 2024 – Scholarship Contributors Recognition – 6:00 PM – SAC Arena
5. Friday – May 3, 2024 – Cinco de Mayo Luncheon – 11:30 AM – DSC Board Room
6. Monday – May 6, 2024 – EPHS – Top 5% Banquet – 6:00 PM – EPHS
7. Wednesday – May 8, 2024 – CCWHS – Top 5% Banquet – 6:00 PM – Band Hall
8. Friday – May 10, 2024 – Teacher of the Year Breakfast – 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM – DSC Board Room
9. Tuesday – May 14, 2024 – Regular Board Meeting – 5:45 PM

Reminder – Yearly Cybersecurity Training – Completion Date – June 28, 2024

All events are reflected on your calendar

X. **Adjournment:**

There, being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM. Motion by Trustee Hiller second by Trustee Alvarez. Motion Granted 6/0.

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

President: _____ Secretary: _____

Date Minutes Approved: _____ Date Minutes Signed: _____