

## Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting

Board of Trustees  
Fabens ISD



A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fabens ISD was held Wednesday, June 19, 2024 beginning at 6:30 PM in the Central Office, Board Room, 821 NE G Avenue, Fabens, TX 79838.

**Members Present:** Sylvia Gonzales  
Luis "Charlie" Estrada  
Julieta S. Ramirez  
Adan Escobar  
Orlando Flores  
Angel Ornelas Jr.

**Members Absent:** Benjamin Morales

**Administrators Present:** Mr. Martin Torres  
Ms. Marlene Bullard  
Mr. Michael Perez  
Dr. Daniel Aguayo  
Ms. Diane Flores  
Ms. Corina Ruiz  
Maria T. Rodriguez

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### 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Mission and Vision Statements

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Board President, Mr. Orlando Flores. All members were in attendance except Mr. Benjamin Morales. The Pledge of Allegiance, Mission and Vision statements were recited by all present.

### 2. Superintendent Updates / Recognitions – 6:31 PM

#### 2.A. Exit 49

Ms. Sofia Maciel, District Media Specialist, opened the item and introduced members of the association. Present to receive the plaque were members of Exit 49. Ms. Alicia Beth Gonzales, mother of Alfredo Valenzuela Jr (Exit 49 Founder) received the award and provided a short history of the association. Mr. Valenzuela is a 2016 Fabens High School graduate, University of Texas at Austin 2021 graduate. Upon his return to his hometown, Mr. Valenzuela sought a way to give back to his community. He established Exit 49, created a Scholarship Program and with the members help

has assisted in different community-based assistance events. All members present were recognized by the Board and community present.

## **2.B. Cesar Flores - UIL Solo and Ensemble Recognition**

Ms. Sofia Maciel introduced Mr. Miguel Soto, FHS Band Director who highlighted Mr. Cesar Flores's accomplishments. Mr. Soto stated that he was very talented and played several instruments. Mr. Flores played his keyboard for the Board and community present and was congratulated by the Board and all present.

## **3. Communication and Visitors – 6:54 PM**

No one signed up to address the Board.

## **4. District Employees and Officers – 6:54 PM**

### **4.A. Fabens ISD 2023 - 2024 New Hires**

Mr. Johnny Soto, HR Generalist, introduced district's newest hires:

Ms. Adriana Sepulveda Rodriguez (Sp. Ed. Diagnostican), Mr. Jose Luis Serrano Jr. (Security Officer) and Mr. Isaac Raul Ugarte (Skilled Maintenance). Those employees present were welcomed by the Board.

## **5. Consent Agenda – 6:56 PM**

### **5.A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, May 15, 2024**

### **5.B. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, June 4, 2024**

### **5.C. Fabens ISD Monthly Financial / Federal Expenditure Reports**

### **5.D. Renaissance Renewal for 2024 - 2025, Not to Exceed \$92,508.97**

### **5.E. Contract Between Fabens ISD and Communities in Schools of El Paso, Inc.**

Mr. Torres opened the item. Mr. Adan Escobar motioned, and Ms. Sylvia Gonzales seconded to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

## **6. Board of Trustees Business – 6:57 – 7:39 PM**

### **6.A. First Reading of Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Board Policy Update 123 Affecting Local Policies: - 6:57 PM**

#### **6.A.1. 1. BBD(LOCAL): BOARD MEMBERS - TRAINING AND ORIENTATION**

#### **2. CKC(LOCAL): SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT - EMERGENCY PLANS**

#### **3. CKE(LOCAL): SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT - SECURITY PERSONNEL**

#### **4. CKEC(LOCAL): SECURITY PERSONNEL - SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS**

#### **5. CQC(LOCAL): TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - EQUIPMENT**

#### **6. DCE(LOCAL): EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES - OTHER TYPES OF**

## **CONTRACTS**

**7. DGBA(LOCAL): PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS - EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES**

**8. EEH(LOCAL): INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS - HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION**

**9. EF(LOCAL): INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES**

**10. EFA(LOCAL): INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES - INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

**11. EFB(LOCAL): INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES - LIBRARY MATERIALS**

**12. FNG(LOCAL): STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES - STUDENT AND PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES**

**13. GF(LOCAL): PUBLIC COMPLAINTS**

Mr. Johnny Soto, HR Generalist, opened the item and stated that the information received in their packets were the local policies affected by TASB Board Policy Update 123. He did state that the policies would be brought back at a later meeting for approval.

### **6.B. Approval of Budget Amendment and Commitment of Fabens ISD 2023 - 2024 Assigned Fund Balance to Designated Maintenance Budget not to Exceed \$500,000. – 6:58 PM**

Mr. Torres opened the item and presented a Power Point presentation with information regarding our current fund balance and how the \$500,000.00 budget amendment would affect the fund balance. Questions were asked about a priority list of projects and bids. After the discussion Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned to table the item until all information was available; Mr. Adan Escobar seconded.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

### **6.C. Approval of Repairs / Upgrades and Improvements for District Facilities not to Exceed Amount of Budget Amendment and Commitment**

No discussion was had on the item as the budget amendment did not happen.

### **6.D. Discussion and Approval of Floor Remodeling Purchase in Excess of \$30,000 for Fabens High School – 7:11 PM**

Mr. Torres opened the item and stated that included in their packet was a letter from Dr. Ana Galaviz and the approval from TEA for flooring expenses. Mr. Luis Estrada motioned and Ms. Sylvia Gonzales seconded to approve the flooring purchase for Fabens High School as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

### **6.E. Closed Session per Texas Government Code 551.074 for Discussion and Review of Assistant Principal(s) Recommendation – 7:15 PM**

The item was taken into Executive Session per TX. Gov't. Code 551.074 for discussion of assistant principal recommendation at 7:15 PM.

**6.F. Reconvene from Closed Session for Possible Action on Assistant Principal(s) Recommendation – 7:39 PM**

The meeting reconvened at 7:39 PM. Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned and Mr. Angel Ornelas seconded to approve Mr. Victor Martel Jr. as the new Assistant Principal.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

**7. Adjourn**

There being no further business, Mr. Luis Estrada motioned and Mr. Angel Ornelas seconded to adjourn at 7:40 PM.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0