

**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. GILBERTO GONZALEZ, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Briefly describe the action required.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2016 BOARD MEETING.

- (C) **Funding source: Identify the source of funds if any are required.**

- (D) **Clarification: Explain any question 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 November 16, 2016, at 6:00 P.M. at De Luna Center, 649 Webster Street, Eagle Pass, TX 78852.

Board Members Present:

Ms. Lupita Fuentes, President
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Vice President
Dr. Hector Alvarez, Secretary
Ms. Glenna Purcell, Trustee
Mr. Ignacio J. Saucedo, Trustee
Mr. Humberto Torralba Jr., Trustee
Mr. Rudy Bowles, Trustee

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Gilberto Gonzalez

Attorney: Mr. Richard Strieber, Attorney, Escamilla, and 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 Lupita Fuentes called the meeting to order at 6:09 P.M.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Superintendent Gilberto Gonzalez led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION/RECOGNITIONS:** No one signed up for Citizen's Communication.
 1. **Recognition of Eagle Pass ISD employees who have served in the military in honor of Veterans Day.** At this time Miss Daniella Byrne, Public Relations Officer recognized Eagle Pass ISD employees past and present who served in the United States Military. In honor of Veterans Day, and on behalf of School Board of Trustees and Superintendent Gonzalez the district is very proud and grateful for their service to our country. The Veterans were welcomed with a warm round of applause from all of those who were in attendance and a group picture with the Board of Trustees and Superintendent was taken.
 2. **Presentation of appreciation plaque for the years of service to board members Ignacio J. Saucedo and Humberto Torralba, Jr.** Miss Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and announced the presentation of appreciation plaques for both Ignacio J. Saucedo, Board Member and Humberto Torralba Jr., Board Member for their years of services to Eagle Pass ISD. Mr. Saucedo served seven years and Mr. Torralba Jr., served two years. Mr. Saucedo and Mr. Torralba Jr., addressed the Board, Superintendent and all those present for the opportunity to serve as board members and wished the incoming board members the best of luck. A group picture with the Board and Superintendent was taken.
 3. **Recognition of CC Winn High School Music Program.** Miss Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and announced the recognition of the CCW High School Music Program who received 1st place Best Color Guard at Rocket Review Marching Festival in Congress Texas October 8, 2016, overall 2nd place at the Harlandale Marching Festival in San Antonio, Texas, and Sweepstakes 1st Division at UIL Marching Competition at D.W. Rutledge Stadium in Converse, Texas on October 22, 2016. Two students made the Region Jazz band on September 17, 2016, in Brackenridge High School in San Antonio, Texas. The students submitted a recording for TMEA Jazz All-

State Auditions where they are now awaiting the results of the Audition. A group picture was taken with the Board of Trustees and Superintendent.

4. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Music Program.** Miss Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustee and Superintendent and announced the recognition of EPH Music Program who participated in the Drums along the Medina Marching Contest. The Eagle Band came in 3rd place and the Color Guard was awarded the Outstanding Color Guard. The band also participated in the Crossroads Marching Contest in Robstown, which came in 1st place in the 6A division and was awarded Best Percussion, Best Color Guard, Best Drum Major and Overall Grand Champion. The Band was awarded their 36th consecutive 1st Division Superior Rating, which will qualify to the Area Marching Contest. A group picture was taken with the Board of Trustees and Superintendent.
5. **Recognition of Eagle Pass High School Girls and Boys Cross Country Teams.** Miss Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and announce the recognition of the EPH Girls and Boys Cross Country Teams. Girls District 29-6A Champions (first time since 1994)- Region IV Champions-Placed 11th, All District 1st Team, All Region IV Team. The boys District 29-6A Champions, Region IV Championship Placed 4th. A group picture was taken with the Board of Trustees and Superintendent.
6. **Recognition of San Luis Elementary for being selected as the most clean and maintained campus for the moth of October 2016.** Miss Daniella Byrne, Public Information Officer announced the recognition of San Luis Elementary for being selected as the most clean and maintained campus within the district throughout the month of October. A cashier's check was presented to the campus and a group picture was taken with the Board of Trustees and Superintendent.

IV. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Consider and take appropriate action on the request to canvass the results of the November 8, 2016, School Board Trustees Election.** Motion by Trustee Bowles, second by Trustee Torralba Jr., to canvass the results of the November 8, 2016, School Board Trustees Elections. **Granted 7/0.** Board President Lupita Fuentes recited the Canvass of General Election as follows: *“/ Lupita Fuentes, School Board President of Eagle Pass ISD, Eagle Pass, Texas, met with the Board of Trustees sitting as the canvassing board to canvass the general election of November 8, 2016, on November 16, 2016, at Eagle Pass Texas. I certify that the figures on the tally sheets correspond with the figures on the returns. Witness my hand this 16, day of November 2016.”*
2. **The Board will enter an Order declaring the winners of the November 8, 2016, School Board Trustees Election.** Motion by Trustee Torralba Jr., second by Trustee Bowles to enter an Order declaring the winner of the November 8, 2016, School Board Trustee Elections. **Granted 7/0.** Board President Lupita Fuentes entered an Order declaring the winners of the November 8, 2016, School Board Trustee Election. The Total numbers of votes were as follows:
 - ✓ Position #1- Jorge Barrera with a total number of votes of 4,427
 - ✓ Position #1- Juan Jose “Pachi” Olivares with a total number of votes of 3,071
 - ✓ Position #1- Ronnie Rivera with a total number of votes of 2,910
 - ✓ Position #1- Ricardo “Riche” Lopez with a total number of votes of 1, 364**DECLARING THE WINNER TO BE JORGE BARRERA**
 - ✓ Position #2- Christopher Hiller with a total number of votes of 6,752
 - ✓ Position #2- Ignacio “Nacho” Saucedo with a total number of votes of 5,513**DECLARING THE WINNER TO BE CHRISTOPHER HILLER**

- ✓ Position #6- Carmen Ravenna with a total number of votes of 4,170
- ✓ Position #6- Hector Alvarez with a total number of votes of 7,214
DECLARING THE WINNER TO BE HECTOR ALVAREZ
- ✓ Position #7- Carmen Schmerber Garcia with a total number of votes of 5,149
- ✓ Position #7- Glenna Purcell with a total number of votes of 6,479
DECLARING THE WINNER TO BE GLENNA PURCELL

3. **Issue Certificate of Election.** Motion by Trustee Fuentes, second by Trustee Bowles to Issue Certificate of Election. **Granted 7/0.**
4. **Administer Oath of Office to New Trustees.** Motion by Trustee Martinez, second by Trustee Torralba Jr., to Administer Oath of Office to New Trustees. **Granted 7/0.** School Board Secretary (Administrative Assistant), Gloria Luz Capetillo, administered the Oath of Office to Trustees Jorge Barrera, Christopher Hiller, Hector Alvarez, and Glenna Purcell.
5. **The Board will reorganize.** Motion by Trustee Bowles, second by Trustee Purcell to have the Board remain as is by acclamation. Lupita Fuentes, President, Hilda P. Martinez, Vice President, and Dr. Hector Alvarez, Secretary. **Granted 7/0.**
6. **Consider and take appropriate action on the request to destroy the ballots of the November 8, 2016, School Board Trustee Election Twenty-Two (22) months (September 10, 2018), after the election.** Motion by Trustee Martinez, second by Trustee Bowles to destroy the ballots of the November 8, 2016, School Board Trustee Election Twenty two months after the election (September 10, 2018). **Granted 7/0.**
7. **Consider and take appropriate action to remove former Trustee Ignacio J. Saucedo as the District's Representative on the Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District.** Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Purcell to remover former Trustee Ignacio J. Saucedo as the District's Representative on the Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District. **Granted 7/0.**
8. **Consider and take appropriate action to appoint a member of the Board of Trustees to serve as the District's Representative on the Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District.** Motion by Trustee Bowles, second by Trustee Barrera to appoint Mr. Christopher Hiller who has volunteered to serve as the District's Representative on the Board of Directors of the Maverick County Appraisal District. **Granted 7/0.**

V. DISTRICT REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. **Financial Report-** No questions from the Board of Trustees.
2. **Utility Report-** No questions from the Board of Trustees.
3. **Tax Collection Report-** No questions from the Board of Trustees.
4. **Delinquent Collection Activities for July – September 2016.** Sonia Gonzalez, Linebarger, Goggan, Blair, Sampson, LLP, Representative addressed the Board of Trustees and Superintendent and reviewed the Quarterly Delinquent Collections Activity Report for the months of July – September 2016. Ms. Gonzalez stated that before the firm takes any legal action, the firm tries to contact every tax payer, property holder, lien holder, and/or relative if necessary in writing, via telephone, or in person in order to avoid legal action and to advise them of their rights. Ms. Gonzalez went over the collection activities, which included contact via phone, mail, walk-ins, etc. and included payoffs and/or payment arrangements. **Board questions and/or concerns were addressed.**

5. **Presentation of 2016-2017 District & Campus Improvement Plan.** Samuel Mijares, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction made a brief presentation on the 2016-17 District & Campus Performance Objectives. Mr. Mijares informed this item is brought to the Board on a yearly basis, he elaborated on the process from assessing the academic achievement for each student in the district using the Sate Accountability System to measuring progress towards the performance objectives. The district curriculum staff along with the campus administrative staff analyze data at the end of each nine weeks to ensue that the selected strategies are appropriate and implement interventions that address areas of weakness as indicated by the data. Other areas briefed by Mr. Mijares were the District's Fundamental Beliefs, the EPISD Mission and Vision Statements, the 2016-17 Academic Goals, Board Goals & Objectives, and the Direct Needs Assessments. **Board Members questions, concerns, and requests were addressed and will be provided to the board.**
6. **Presentation of 2016-2017 District & Campus Performance Objectives.** Samuel Mijares, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction made a brief presentation on the District Campus Performance Objectives. Each principal receives the Campus Performance Objectives form as a guide to work on his or her goals. Each campus has a committee, and work together to prepare for their Goal. Finally, Mr. Mijares went over the *Goals to Improve Student Performance Summary*. This summary indicates the campuses goals, which identifies last years goal and what they plan to accomplish the following year. **Board Members questions, requests and concerns were addressed.**
7. **Presentation by Daktronics on the EPISD Student Activity Center (Cozel Foster-Veterans Memorial Football Stadium) Scoreboard.** Superintendent Gonzalez addressed the Board Members of a proposal of a bigger, better graphics, and better sound scoreboard to be utilized for football games, graduations, and many other events at the Student Activity Center. Daktronics has agreed to support EPISD by meeting with local businesses to develop sponsorships, they also have a contract that can be reviewed by our school attorney. If the district is not able to get 100% sponsorship for the purchase of such scoreboard, the superintendent will bring an agenda item to the board in which then the Board will make the decision to come up with the difference or decline the proposal... there is no cost involved for this project. Superintendent Gonzalez introduced Mr. Danny Braaten, Representative, and Joe from Daktronics who made a presentation at the Community Breakfast on the Daktronics Scoreboard. Mr. Braaten stated there were three businesses that shared interest on the scoreboard during the community breakfast. Daktronics manufactures their Scoreboards here in the US, and have certified technicians. The proposed scoreboard is bigger than what the district has now. Mr. Braaten in detail explained the description of their scoreboard and elaborated on the marketing aspect. Finally, there is a promotion with a partnership with PNC (Bank) until January 31 for 0% interest for a 5-year lease to own and then a \$1 dollar buyout at the end of the lease. Daktronics is working in having a college market curriculum where they are trying to build a Daktronics Certification so that if it is build into the district's curriculum and at the end of the course the student would go to a Daktronics website and take an online test, which then they would get a certification saying they are eligible to work on Daktronics equipment. The certification may be added to a resume, put out into a college and into the workforce. **Board Members questions and concerns were addressed such as maintenance cost after the warranty, longevity of scoreboard, installation, leasing, sol source, the use of the present scoreboard, sponsorships, advertisement, etc.**

VI. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the 2016-2017 District and Campus Performance Objectives.** Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Bowles to approve the 2016-17 District and Campus Performance Objectives. **Granted 70.**

VII. CONSENT ITEMS:

It was the Consensus of the Board to consider items 1 – 2 in One Motion. Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Purcell. Motion carries 5/2. (Hiller and Barrera new Board Members)

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2016, (Regular), September 13, 2016, (Workshop) and October 11, 2016, (Regular) Board Meetings. **Previously considered.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the General Fund budget. **Item previously considered.**

VIII. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code:

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at **7:46 PM** Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.076, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084 of the Texas Government Code. **Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Barrera. Granted 7/0.**

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

1. The Board will discuss the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074.

IX. OPEN SESSION:

The Meeting Reconvened at 8:48 PM

Consider and Take Appropriate Action on 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 Bowles, second by Trustee Martinez to hire personnel as discussed in Closed Session. Granted 7/0.**

X. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION: Superintendent Gonzalez informed the Board on the following: New Board Members Local Orientation- November 17, 2016. DSC Thanksgiving Luncheon invitation to board members for November 17, 2016, @ 12:00 Noon Austin School, and CCW Football playoffs Friday, November 18, 2016, @ 7:30 SAC.

XI ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:56 PM **Motion by Trustee Bowles second by Trustee Barrera. Granted 7/0.**

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

PRESIDENT _____ **SECRETARY** _____

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: _____

DATE MINUTES SIGNED: _____