



Agenda of Regular

The Board of Trustees McAllen Independent School District

VISION	The McAllen Independent School District is a multicultural community in which students are enthusiastically and actively engaged in the learning process. Students demonstrate academic excellence in a safe, nurturing and challenging environment enhanced by technology and the contributions of the total community.
MISSION	The mission of the McAllen Independent School District is to educate all students to become lifelong learners and productive citizens in a global society through a program of educational excellence utilizing technology and actively involving parents and the community.
GOALS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Student Achievement/Student Focus2. People Development3. Facility Priorities4. Financial Priorities
STRATEGIES	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Branding2. Attract/Retain High Quality Staff3. Engaging Learning Environment4. Rigorous/World Class Standards to Customize for Every Learner5. Partnerships with Business/Civic/Education/Organizations6. Future Ready Students7. Financial Priorities

A Regular of the Board of Trustees of the McAllen Independent School District will be held Monday, November 26, 2007, beginning at 4:30 PM Board Room/Administration Building of the McAllen Independent School District, 2000 North 23rd Street, McAllen, TX 78501.

ATTENTION: THE REGULAR BUSINESS PORTION OF THE MEETING FOR THE PUBLIC WILL BEGIN AT APPROXIMATELY 5:30 P.M.

Items listed on this agenda may be taken in an order other than as shown on this agenda. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

At this meeting there may be discussion and action by the Board on the item(s) and subject(s) listed as follows:

1. Convene In Open Session
2. Recess to Closed Session: Board of Trustees may go into Closed Session pursuant to Section(s) 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following:
 - A) Approval of Personnel Recommendation(s) for School Year 2007-2008
 - B) Employee Resignation(s) for School Year 2007-2008
 - C) Reassignment of Certain Professional Personnel
 - D) Pending and/or Potential Litigation

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2. McAllen Medical Center v. McAllen Independent School District; Cause No. C-2261-05-G; In the 370th Judicial District Court of Hidalgo County, Texas

3. Civil Action No. M-06-133; George Padilla v. McAllen Independent School District, et al; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, McAllen Division

E) Possible Real Estate Acquisition

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4. Invocation

5. Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance

Presenter: McAllen High School JROTC Cadet Color Guard

6. Public Hearing to Discuss Taxation of "Goods-in-Transit" in Accordance with House Bill 621 (Codified at Section 11.253 of the Tax Code), which Amends the Tax Code to Provide for an Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation for "Goods-in-Transit" Unless the Local Taxing Unit Provides for Taxation of "Goods-in-Transit"

Presenter: Linda Herrera-Romeros

7. Reports and Recognitions

A) Monthly Financial and Investment Report for September 2007

Presenter: Linda Herrera-Romeros

B) Monthly Financial and Investment Report for October 2007

Presenter: Linda Herrera-Romeros

8. Consent Agenda

A) Consideration and Possible Approval of 2007 McAllen ISD Tax Roll

B) Renewal of Request for Proposal No. 7536 - Sale of Beverage Re-Bid

C) Renewal of Bid No. 7547 - School and Office Furniture Catalog Bid

D) Approval of the Tour Andover Controls (TAC) Americas, Inc., Customer Service Agreement through Region One

E) Request for Payment on Invoice No. 2276-07 to MVg Design Group, LLP, for Architectural Services for Memorial High School - HVAC Renovations

F) Approval of the 2007-2008 District Textbook Adoption Committee

9. Approval of McAllen Independent School District Votes for the Position of Directors of the Hidalgo County Appraisal Board and Adoption of the Resolution

Presenter: Linda Herrera-Romeros

10. Consideration and Possible Approval of Resolution Relating to Taxation of "Goods-in-Transit" that are Otherwise Exempted from Taxation by Property Tax Code Section 11.253 as Amended by H.B. 621

Presenter: Linda Herrera-Romeros

11. Resolution in Accordance with Texas Education Code Section 11.059 (e) and Texas Attorney General Opinion GA-535(2007) to Transition from Three-year Trustee Terms and Annual Elections to Four-year Trustee Terms and Biennial Elections

Presenter: Stephen L. Crain, Atlas & Hall, LLP

12. Approval of and Authority to Submit Under Section 5, Voting Rights Act Preclearance of the Changes in Voting Procedures Necessitated by Resolution Transitioning Trustee Terms and Annual Elections to Biennial Elections

Presenter: Stephen L. Crain, Atlas & Hall, LLP

13. Approval of Proposed Boundary Map for Rezoning of De Leon Middle School, Morris Middle School, and Lincoln Middle School beginning in the 2008-2009 School Year

Presenter: Steve Ellis

14. Approval of End User Agreement for Wireless Telecommunications Equipment and Services through the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC)

Presenter: Dr. Mike Barrera

15. Ranking of Firms by the Board of Trustees and Authorization to Negotiate an Agreement with the Highest Ranked Firm for Request for Qualifications No. 7652 - On-Call Structural Engineering Services Re-Bid

Presenter: Dr. Mike Barrera

16. Approval of the Board Resolution and Interlocal Master Agreement and Addendum Nos. 1-2 Between McAllen Independent School District and Harris County Department of Education

Presenter: Dr. Mike Barrera

17. Award and Approval of the Contract for Security Camera Systems for Bond Projects through the Texas Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN)

Presenter: Dr. Mike Barrera

18. Award of Request for Proposal No. 2007-004 - Grant Writing Services and Approval of Contract

Presenter: Diana Montes

19. Approval of Revision to the McAllen Independent School District Staff Climate Survey

Presenter: Diana Montes

20. Revision of Previous Board Agenda Approval Concerning Memorandum of Understanding for Hidalgo County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP)

21. Superintendent's Report

A) Update on November 20, 2007-Partners In Excellence (PIE) Breakfast

B) "Why McAllen ISD" Campaign

C) "Superintendent's Message" Web Postings

D) Other School Functions

22. Schedule of Future Meetings

A) Regular Board Mtg.-December 10, 2007-4:30 PM-Texas Our Texas Room in the Staff Development Center at Lamar Academy

B) Special Board Mtg.-December 10, 2007-7:00 PM-Texas Our Texas Room in the Staff Development Center at Lamar Academy

C) Goal No. 3 - Academics Management Oversight Workshop - December 13, 2007-8:30 AM-Board Room

D) Superintendent's Goals Workshop - December 13, 2007-11:30 AM-Board Room

23. Closed Session: The Board of Trustees may reconvene in Closed Session for further discussion regarding the agenda item(s) listed.

24. Open Session: The Board of Trustees may reconvene into Open Session for discussion regarding the agenda item(s) listed.

25. Adjournment

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.