

# MERCEDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Monday, February 9, 2015, 6:00 p.m.

The Board of Trustees will meet in the Administration Building located at 206 West Sixth Street, Mercedes, Texas, to deliberate on the following matters:

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## Call to Order

### **Texas Academic Performance Report**

Any taxpayer may participate in the public hearing

Public Hearing Rules:

1. The President of the Board shall announce at the beginning of the hearing that all who desire to be heard should give their names to the Secretary and only those persons
2. No cross-examination of Trustees or employees shall be permitted.

### **Academic Excellence Indicator System**

1. Report to the Board of Trustees

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Student Recognition
- B. Staff Recognition
- C. Attendance/Enrollment Report

### OPEN FORUM

At regular meetings the Board shall allot a maximum of 30 minutes to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board. However, no one presentation shall exceed five minutes. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. Delegations of more than five persons shall appoint one person to present their views before the Board. The Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting. Complaints and concerns for which other resolution channels are provided shall be directed through those channels. The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person who wishes to address the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively. If not, the person shall be directed to the appropriate policy to seek resolution before bringing the matter to the Board at a subsequent meeting. [MISD Board Policy BED(Local)]

### ACTION AGENDA

#### **A. Curriculum & Instruction**

1. Discussion and possible action on consulting agreements under \$10,000

**B. Business Office**

1. Report and discussion on 10-year Analysis of General Fund Revenues and Expenditures
2. Report and discussion on Analysis of General Fund Monthly Expenditures
3. Report and discussion on Federal Grants

**C. Facilities**

1. Construction Reports and discussion
  - a. Gignac & Associates - Mercedes ISD Elementary School Renovations
  - b. GMS Architects - Mercedes High School Renovations
  - c. PBK Architects - Mercedes ISD Tiger Stadium/Athletic Facilities
2. Discussion and possible action to authorize Administration to solicit request for competitive sealed proposals for the Mercedes ISD Elementary Campus Renovation projects
3. Discussion and possible action on selecting a Construction Manager for the Mercedes ISD Construction Projects and to authorize Administration to negotiate a fair and reasonable rate with selected Construction Manager

**D. Superintendent**

1. Discussion and possible action on approving request to hold auction for items/equipment no longer needed by the district

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Curriculum & Instruction**

1. Discussion and possible action on District-Wide Textbook Committee for Proclamation 2015

**B. Governance**

1. Discussion and possible action on approval of Minutes for the following meeting:
  - a. Special Board Meeting, January 12, 2015
  - b. Joint workshop with City of Mercedes, January 13, 2015
  - c. Regular Board Meeting, January 19, 2015
2. Discussion and possible action on renewal of membership with Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
3. Discussion and possible action on TASB Policy Update 101 [First Reading] affecting local policies –  
BE(LOCAL): BOARD MEETINGS  
CH(LOCAL): PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION  
DGBA(LOCAL): PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS - EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES  
EB(LOCAL): SCHOOL YEAR  
FFG(LOCAL): STUDENT WELFARE - CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT  
FMG(LOCAL): STUDENT ACTIVITIES - TRAVEL  
FNG(LOCAL): STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES - STUDENT AND PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES  
GF(LOCAL): PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

**C. Business Office**

1. Discussion and possible action on Check Payments for January 2015
2. Discussion and possible action on Tax Collections Report for December 2014

3. Discussion and possible action Revenue & Expenditure Report for December 2014
4. Discussion and possible action on Investment Report ending December 31, 2014
5. Discussion and possible action on Budget Amendment #4 – General Operating
6. Discussion and possible action on Renewal of the Hotline Services Agreement with Lighthouse Services, Inc.

**D. Child Nutrition Services**

1. Discussion and possible action on CNS - Surplus Kitchen Equipment for Auction

**E. Facilities**

1. Discussion and possible action on Requests for Use of Facilities/Equipment

**F. Safe Schools**

1. Discussion and possible action on Student Out of Valley Trip Requests
2. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of donations:
  - a. 422 Pedometers from UTPA Border Health Office, Edinburg, TX
3. Discussion and possible action on 2014-2015 Student Transfer Requests

**G. Superintendent**

1. Discussion and possible action on Statement of Impact from Vanguard Academy – Charter School

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

If, during the course of this 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, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Sub-chapters D and E. The Board may consult with legal counsel on a matter discussed in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

- A. Personnel, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code and Attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code
  1. Resignations, terminations, appointments, evaluations, reassignments, duties, and discipline of Professional, Paraprofessional and Non-Contract Employees; Teacher Substitutes and Substitutes for Maintenance, Transportation, and Cafeteria Department
- B. Litigation update regarding C-0422-12-B; Topcon, Inc. vs. Mercedes Independent School District, et al
- C. Student discipline, pursuant to Section 551.082 of the Texas Government Code  
Disciplinary action and possible expulsion of student(s)
- D. Discussion of Superintendent's Duties and Responsibilities

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

- A. Discussion and possible action on items discussed in Executive Session

**INFORMATION AGENDA**

(5 minutes maximum for all items, inclusive)

Reminder...

Regular March Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Monday, March 9, 2015

**ADJOURNMENT**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

(May be reconvened, if necessary)

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This notice has been publicly posted at the administrative offices of the Mercedes Independent School District, 206 West Sixth Street, Hidalgo County, Mercedes, Texas, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the above mentioned meeting, as required by the following sections of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.084. During the regular school year, this notice is also posted in all schools in the District. The school district also posts its board meeting agendas on the District's internet web site ([www.misdtx.net](http://www.misdtx.net))

Consent Agenda: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Trustees and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on a specific item(s), that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.