

# Minutes of Regular Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Galveston Independent School District

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The Public Hearing to present the Budget and Proposed Tax Rate will begin at 6:00 pm in the Board Room at the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, TX.

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Galveston Independent School District will be held Tuesday, December 18, 2024, immediately following the Public Meeting to discuss the Budget and Proposed Tax Rate.

The subjects discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.127 as modified by the Texas Attorney General, that due to the state of emergency declared by, Governor Abbott on behalf of the State of Texas, and President Trump on behalf of the United States of America regarding the spread of coronavirus/COVID-19 (hereafter "COVID-19"), one or more members of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees may attend this meeting via videoconference in order to properly mitigate the spread of COVID-19, pursuant to State and local emergency/disaster declarations

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

- 1) Call to order Open Session in the Board Room of the Lovenberg Administration Building, 3904 Avenue T, Galveston, Texas.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag.
- 3) Citizen's Request to Address the Board on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items. Please complete sign-up sheets available in the lobby prior to the start of the meeting.
- 4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest.
- 5) District Reports
  - A) Superintendent's Report
    - 1) Library Report
    - 2) Scheduling Board training
    - 3) 2025-2026 Academic calendar
  - B) Board Committee Reports
    - 1) Facilities/Finance Committee Chair- Mr. Johnny Smecca
    - 6) Financial Reports and Budget Update
    - 7) Board President to Appoint Standing Committees.
- 8) REGULAR AGENDA- Action Items

- A) Discuss and consider contract with Studio Red Architects for architectural services related to the renovation of the Performing Arts Center and associated remodeling of Ball High School.
- 9) The Board may recess into Closed Executive Session in the Library as permitted by the Texas Open Meeting Act Government Code Sections 551.071- 551.090 Subchapter D and E.

Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the School Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting then the final action, final decision, or final vote shall be either:

- A) in the open meeting covered by the Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting;
- or
- B) at a subsequent public meeting of the School Board upon notice thereof; as the School Board shall determine.

- A) Consultation with Attorney (Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.071) - Consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or matters in which the duty of the attorney to the school district under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the state's open meetings laws.
- B) Personnel Matters (Tex. Govt. Code Section 551.074) – Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, dismissal or resignation of an employee or employees, including the Superintendent. Discuss personnel concerns at pre-K campuses.
- C) Real Property (Tex. Govt Code Section 551.072) – Discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate in which the discussion in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the ability of the school district to negotiate with a third party. Discuss valuations and dispositions of Rosenberg, Morgan and vacant properties owned by GISD.
- D) Prospective Gifts or Donations (Tex. Govt Code Section 551.073) – Discuss prospective gifts or donations to the Galveston Independent School District and/or individual campuses, programs or facilities.
- E) Network Security, Security Devices and Security Audits (Tex. Govt Code Sections 551.076 and 551.089) – Discuss Network security information; a security audit; the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices; or security assessment or deployments related to information resources technology.
- 10) Reestablish the open meeting of the Galveston ISD Board of Trustees.
- 11) CONSENT AGENDA - Action Items
  - A) Consider approval of the minutes from the November 19, 2024 Special Meeting and the November 20, 2024, Regular School Board Meeting.
  - B) Consider approval of personnel resignations and recommendations with contracts.
  - C) Discuss and consider approval of payment of attorney fees.
  - D) Consider approval of Budget Amendments
  - E) Discuss and consider accepting donations in accordance with Board Policy CDC Local.
- F) Discuss and Consider approval for an out of state trip to New York through Green Light Tours for Ball High Tornettes at Ball High School March 11-14, 2025

- G) Discuss and consider submitting an application for Modified Schedule State Assessment Testing Days Waiver for Ball High and AIM
  - H) Discuss and consider approving contingent fee legal services contract with Thompson & Horton, LLP, Eiland & Bonnin, PC and Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo, PC.
  - I) Discuss and Consider Approval of Austin Elementary Food Service Graphics Project for Dining Area.
  - J) Discuss and consider approval of the fencing installation for Burnet, Oppe, and Parker Elementary Schools
  - K) Discuss and consider approval of the August 31, 2024, Annual Financial and Compliance Report
  - L) Discuss and consider approval of resolution requesting greater transparency into collection and distribution of recapture payments from Galveston ISD to the State of Texas.
  - M) Discuss and consider approval of the permanent power easement to Center Point for the Ball North project.
  - 12) Suggested Future Agenda Items
  - 13) COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0415, Trustees may report on any of the following items:
    - 1. Expressions of thanks, gratitude, and condolences
    - 2. Information regarding holiday schedules
    - 3. Honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen
    - 4. Reminders regarding GISD events
    - 5. Reminders regarding community events
    - 6. Health and safety announcements
  - 14) Adjournment
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*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.*

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_

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For the Board of Trustees