

Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 18, 2021 5:30 PM

Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Belt Line Road, Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

1. 5:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Board Discussion of Personnel Matters under § 551.074: Employment, Retirement(s), Termination(s)/Proposed Termination(s), Proposed Nonrenewal(s), Request(s) for Leave of Absence, Request(s) for Extended Leave Without Pay, Resignation(s), Reassignment(s), Job Abandonment, Proposed Extension of Probationary Contract(s), Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Administrator Contract Recommendations, Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations

B. Discussion of Real Property under § 551.072.

C. Consultation with legal counsel regarding and/or involving pending or contemplated litigation or a settlement offer or on a matter which the School District's legal counsel determines should be confidential including contract negotiations in accordance with Government Code, § 551.082, § 551.0821, § 551.087, and § 551.071, respectively; Hawkland v. GPISD No. 3-19-cv-01822-B

3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

A. Action as a Result of Closed Session

4. INVOCATION

A. Joshua Ward - Student Pastor
Fielder Church - Grand Prairie

5. PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG

6. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

A. 2021 Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest Review

B. National Merit Student

C. TEPSA Assistant Principal of the Year

D. GPISD Council of PTAs - Angel Membership Program

E. Leadership Spotlight - Honoring Child Nutrition

F. Leadership Spotlight - Honoring Auxiliary Services (Transportation, M&O, Logistics)

G. Campus Teachers of the Year

7. OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS

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8. ADOPT AGENDA

9. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes from Previous Meetings

B. Personnel: Routine Action

1. Employment, Retirement(s), Termination(s)/Proposed Termination(s), Proposed Nonrenewal(s), Request(s) for Leave of Absence, Request(s) for

Extended Leave Without Pay, Resignation(s), Reassignment(s), Request(s) for Temporary Disability, Job Abandonment, Proposed Extension of Probationary Contract(s), Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Administrator Contract Recommendations, Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations

C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent

1. Purchasing Contracts

2. Tax Collection Report

3. Revenue Expenditure Report

4. Budget Transfers/Amendments - General Fund #7

D. OMNIA Intergovernmental Cooperative

E. Consider Approval to Request Waiver for Missed School Days Due to Inclement Weather

F. Consider Approval to Request Waiver for Remote Instruction During Inclement Weather for Uplift Delmas Morton

G. Consider Approval to Request CPR Waiver for 2021 Seniors

H. Proclamation 2021 Instructional Materials Adoption

10. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. Consider Approval of Phase 1 Network Upgrades

B. Consider Declaring the Election of Trustee in Single Member District 1 Canceled/Unopposed Candidate Elected

C. Consider Taking Action on Employee Contracts

D. Consider Teacher Resignations/Contract Abandonment

11. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. Budget Planning

B. HB 3 TIA Update

C. Spring Demographic Update

D. Career and Technology Education Overview

E. Request for Proposal (RFP) Process and Timeline for Food Service Management Company

F. 2021-2022 Calendar for Grand Prairie Collegiate Institute

G. Dickinson Montessori Update

H. Review Board Agenda Calendar

12. **OPEN FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

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13. **COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS**

A. Board of Trustees expressions of thanks, congratulations, and condolences.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Grand Prairie Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Grand Prairie Independent School District was held Thursday, February 11, 2021, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Belt Line Road, Grand Prairie, TX 75052.

1. 5:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER

President King called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. and stated a quorum was present.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Aaron King, President

Ms. Emily Liles, Vice President

Mr. Terry Brooks, Secretary

Mr. Burke Hall

Ms. Gloria Carrillo

Mr. Bryan Parra

Mr. David Espinosa joined the meeting via Zoom.

Ms. Ellis verified that notice of the meeting had been properly posted for the time and manner required by law.

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 5:32 p.m.

2. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

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- B. Discussion of Real Property under § 551.072.
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3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 7:06 p.m.

- A. Action as a Result of Closed Session

There was no Action taken as a result of Closed Session.

4. INVOCATION

Gay Lynn Broom

5. PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND TEXAS FLAG

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No one addressed the Board during Open Forum for Agenda Items.

8. ADOPT AGENDA

Mr. Brooks made a motion to adopt the Agenda. Mr. Hall seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 7-0!

9. PUBLIC HEARING: 2019-2020 TAPR REPORT

Presenter: Dr. Melissa Steger

Chief Data and Information Systems Officer, Dr. Melissa Steger made a brief presentation followed by a public hearing for the District's 2019-2020 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR). Public notification of the hearing was provided to local media and placed on the District's website.

CONSENT AGENDA

Superintendent Ellis said there are ten items on the Consent Agenda, and she recommended the Board approve them as presented.

A. Minutes from Previous Meetings

B. Personnel: Routine Action

1. Employment, Retirement(s), Termination(s)/Proposed Termination(s), Proposed Nonrenewal(s), Request(s) for Leave of Absence, Request(s) for Extended Leave Without Pay, Resignation(s), Reassignment(s), Request(s) for Temporary Disability, Job Abandonment, Proposed Extension of Probationary Contract(s), Proposed Suspension Without Pay, Administrator Contract Recommendations, Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations

Employment: Elvira Canelo, Rayburn Academy; Veronica Castro, Whitt FAA; Demarcus Hurd, Grand Prairie HS; Jeffrey Mixson, South Grand Prairie HS; Veronica Ruiz Palacios, Daniels Academy; Ashley Sanchez, Grand Prairie HS; Saundra Umstead-Capers; Eisenhower Elementary,

Resignations: Natalie Borchers, Jackson MS; Ruby DeLaRosa, South Grand Prairie HS; Linden Heldt, South Grand Prairie HS; Brenda Jacks, YWLA @ Arnold MS; Darwert Johnson, DATA @ Adams MS; Brooke Perry, Dickinson Academy; Elizabeth Quezada, Daniels Academy; Maria Ruiz-Moran, Garcia Elementary; Elide Vazquez, Eisenhower Elementary

Retirements: Deborah Brown, Powell Elementary; Julie Churchill, Bonham EE School; Debra Leigh, DATA @ Adams MS; Kevin McNamee, South Grand Prairie HS; Jay McTaggart, Reagan MS; Marta Ocampo, Grand Prairie FAA; Joanna Slaton, South Grand Prairie HS; Deborah Taylor, Bush GLA

Retirement Addendum as of 2.11.2021: Gary Bartel, Administration; Kathy Hasty, Crockett EE School; Laura Orr, Dickinson Academy; Yvonne Zepeda, Travis WLA

- C. Regular Reports of the Superintendent
 - 1. Purchasing Contracts
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
 - 2. Tax Collection Report
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
 - 3. Revenue and Expenditure Report
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
 - 4. Summary of Proposed Budget Transfers/Amendments
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
- D. Consider Approval of Amended Order of Election
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
- E. Consider Approval of Donation to the District
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
- F. Consider Approval of Weaver and Tidwell, LLP Audit Engagement Letter for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
- G. Consider Resolution to Extend the Depository Contract with Frost Bank
Presenter: Ms. Tracy Ray
- H. Consider Approval of 40% Campus Hybrid Instruction for 9th-12th Grade Students and Hybrid Instruction During District-Scheduled Testing Days for K-8th Grade Students waivers
Presenter: Dr. Melissa Steger
- I. Consider Approval to Request Staff Development Waiver
Presenter: Ms. Pat Lewis
- J. Consider Adoption of TASB Recommended Policy Revisions in Update 116
Presenter: Mr. Sam Buchmeyer
- K. Approval of Board Travel

Mr. Hall made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 7-0!

10. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consider Approval of Revised 2020-2021 School Calendar

Presenter: Ms. Pat Lewis

The Board of Trustees approved the revised 2020-2021 School Calendar to include two early release days pending waiver approval. The proposed dates are:

- April 1, 2021
- April 23, 2021

Early release days will provide teachers the opportunity to collaborate and plan for in-person and virtual learning experiences. The administration considered the following when revising the calendar:

- Required 75,600 instructional minutes
- Teacher contracted days
- State and district assessment days
- Placement of professional development days
- Start and end days of major holiday breaks
- Bad weather make-up days/transportation and meal service

Mr. Hall made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 Revised School Calendar as presented. Mr. Parra seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 7-0!

B. Consider Taking Action on Employee Contracts

Presenter: Ms. Linda Ellis

Ms. Ellis stated there was no Action needed on Employee Contracts.

C. Consider Teacher Resignations/Contract Abandonment

Presenter: Ms. Linda Ellis

Ms. Ellis stated there was no Action needed on Teacher Resignations/Contract Abandonment.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Career and Technical Education Overview in Recognition of CTE Month

Presenter: Ms. Aniska Douglas

Ms. Ellis recommended this item be moved to next month for the March Board meeting.

B. HB3 TIA Update

Presenter: Dr. Nugget Cunningham, Ms. Ruth White, Ms. Karry Chapman, Ms. Pat Lewis

Ms. Ellis recommended this item be moved to next month for the March Board meeting.

C. System of Great Schools Overview

Presenter: Ms. Traci Davis

Area Superintendent Traci Davis presented an overview of the Systems of Great Schools initiative and a status update on the progress made since joining the System of Great Schools Network.

- D. Request for Proposal (RFP) Process and Timeline for Food Service Management Company
Presenter: Ms. Pat Lewis, Ms. Sherry Ellis

Ms. Ellis recommended this item be moved to next month for the March Board meeting.

- E. Spring Demographic Update
Presenter: Ms. Teri Wilson

Ms. Ellis recommended this item be moved to next month for the March Board meeting.

- F. Review Board Agenda Calendar
Presenter: Ms. Linda Ellis

Superintendent Ellis wanted to point out a few dates on the calendar:

- Texas Public School Week March 1 - March 5
- Spring Break March 8 - March 12
- Holiday February 15
- Soup's on for Love March 5

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Malcom Chakery, 619 Creekwood Lane, Grand Prairie, TX 75052, addressed the Board during Open Forum for Non-Agenda Items. Mr. Chakery wished to cover several topics. The first is the fact that the District is saying it is safe to come to the Board meeting to address the Board in Open Forum. Mr. Chakery stated that the Board president does not even wear a mask. Mr. Chakery was told that it was the safest environment ever. He said public comments were taken off the website in January after teachers voiced concerns. Mr. Chakery said that he feels like it was a way to silence those people. He said that he has emailed and called, asking that they let people submit public comments online. He stated that the room was pretty empty, and that one Board member was virtual. He said with the \$14.2 million being spent regarding technology that we should have the technology to support online comments.

Mr. Chakery also addressed the calendar. He doesn't think the Board really thought this through. He said they did an opinion-based survey. He said they were not up front with the teachers about working more time and not getting paid extra for working extra time with students. He said they skipped the bonus part, but yet they want to teachers to work longer with kids in the classroom. He said it should be common sense that they should have consulted with parents and teachers. He said a couple of Board meetings isn't enough to make a decision. People want to see what is put into it. Where are the results? Mr. Chakery has two children in GPISD schools and one in Dallas ISD. He said Dallas did a tremendous job of communicating every single step of the way. They did multiple town home calls and power-points and it was all on their website. Where did Grand Prairie do that? He said they only had two Board meetings, one which is closed and now they have voted on it. He said the District doesn't have an educational problem; they have a communication problem. Mr. Chakery said ten days will not turn around our students that are struggling. Even your own results show not all parents were in favor of

it. He stated that 1,500 people were part of the survey but there are 30,000 students in this District. He said this should not be a one size fits all. Mr. Chakery said the District has to get their communication together. He said you can't have social media and not respond to the people who reach out to your social media. He feels like because the District manages public taxpayer dollars that they think they can get away with it. Mr. Chakery said the days of the Board running unopposed are over and some of them will be replaced in 2022.

Mr. Wendell Davidson, 3456 Country Club Dr, Grand Prairie, TX addressed the Board. Mr. Davidson wanted to speak about the school calendar. He talked to ten of our teachers in the District and found that some teachers and classroom assistants do not like having all of the workdays at the end of the school year. Mr. Davidson says these employees would rather have extra days at the beginning of the year so they can use them for planning sessions, and he feels this will benefit children during the school year. He understands there are ten extra days for this calendar for children that are struggling. Mr. Davidson said Mike Morath stated that students statewide are not meeting the goals. Mr. Davidson thinks the two days are going to benefit our children. The teachers need time to plan so they can bring students up to state level. Mr. Davidson is not on one side or the other of the revised calendar.

13. COMMENTS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

- A. Board of Trustees expressed thanks, congratulations, and condolences.

14. ADJOURNMENT

President King adjourned the meeting at 7.55 p.m. on February 11, 2021.

Minutes of Called Meeting

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A Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Grand Prairie Independent School District was held February 25, 2021, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Board Room at the Education Center, 2602 South Beltline Road, Grand Prairie, TX 75052.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President King called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and stated a quorum was present.

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3. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:08 p.m.

A. Action as a Result of Closed Session

There was no Action taken as a result of Closed Session.

4. OPEN FORUM FOR AGENDA ITEMS

No one addressed the Board during Open Forum for Agenda Items.

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consider Approval of Resolution for Pay During Emergency Weather Closure.

Presenter: Ms. Linda Ellis

The Board authorized and directed the Superintendent to pay nonexempt employees who are required to work onsite during an emergency closing for a disaster, as declared by a federal, state, or local official or the Board, at the rate of one and one-half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked up to 40 hours per week. Overtime for time worked over 40 hours in a week shall be calculated and paid according to law. The Superintendent shall approve payments and ensure that accurate time records are kept of actual hours worked during emergency closings.

Mr. Brooks made a motion to approve the resolution for pay during emergency weather closure. Ms. Liles seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 7-0!

6. ADJOURN

President King adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m. on February 25, 2021.

CONTRACTS FOR BOARD APPROVAL

March 18, 2021

(Pursuant to Paragraph 1 CH (LOCAL) Unless Specifically Stated Otherwise)	
VENDOR	NOT TO EXCEED ANNUAL AMOUNT
CATEGORY: Administrative, Co-Curricular and Instructional Contracted Services	
Asperta, LTD	\$3,000.00
Blue Jean Educational Consulting (PRIOR Board Approval on December 17, 2020 in the Amount of \$3,000.00)	\$15,000.00
Consuelo Castillo Kickbusch	\$15,000.00
Marcia Tate	\$10,000.00
Zonda Intelligence - Formally Templeton Demographics (PRIOR Board Approval on August 13, 2020 in the Amount of \$50,000.00)	\$15,100.00
CATEGORY: Architect, Engineering, & Legal Professional Services as Defined by Texas Education Code - TEC 44.031(F).	
RWH Myers and Company, LLC	\$25,000.00
CATEGORY: Athletic, Physical Education and Organized Club Materials, Equipment, Clothing, Etc.	
Golf Team Products	\$2,500.00
CATEGORY: Equipment, Supplies and/or Installation for Maintenance, Facilities, Transportation, and Food Service	
Network Thermostat	\$10,000.00
CATEGORY: School District Materials/Supplies and/or Services	
ETA Hand2Mind (PRIOR Board Approval on August 13, 2020 in the Amount of \$36,000.00 and on October 15, 2020 for \$10,000.00)	\$100,000.00
Really Good Stuff (PRIOR Board Approval on October 15, 2020 in the Amount of \$7,000.00)	\$25,000.00

Purchasing:

Sherry Ellis

Finance:

Cheryl Ray



GRAND PRAIRIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 31, 2021

MAINTENANCE & OPERATION (M&O)

	2020-2021	2020-2021	January	2020-2021
Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2020-2021 Monthly Activity	2020-2021 FYTD Activity
LOCAL TAXES-CURRENT	\$ 85,912,579.00	\$ 89,018,704.00	\$ 35,601,860.81	\$ 73,457,114.49
LOCAL TAXES-PRIOR YR	500,000.00	500,000.00	73,535.60	286,053.27
PENALTY/INTEREST/MIS	450,000.00	450,000.00	29,822.66	115,704.58
CED PENALTY/INTEREST/MIS	-	-	(1,552.89)	(3,104.29)
TOTAL	\$ 86,862,579.00	\$ 89,968,704.00	\$ 35,703,666.18	\$ 73,855,768.05

INTEREST & SINKING (I&S)

	2020-2021	2020-2021	January	2020-2021
Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	2020-2021 Monthly Activity	2019-2020 FYTD Activity
LOCAL TAXES - CUR YR	\$ 37,000,000.00	\$ 37,000,000.00	\$ 15,358,724.75	\$ 31,689,569.72
LOCAL TAXES - PRIOR YEAR	100,000.00	100,000.00	28,578.91	116,006.40
PENALTY/INTEREST/DEL	50,000.00	50,000.00	11,781.74	46,278.12
TOTAL	\$ 37,150,000.00	\$ 37,150,000.00	\$ 15,399,085.40	\$ 31,851,854.24

This report is prepared for the Board of Trustees meeting held March 18, 2021.

2020-2021 GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF JANUARY 31, 2021

	General Fund Original Budget	January 31, 2021 Amended Budget	01/31/21 Revenue, Expenditures, and Change in FB	% of Budget
REVENUES:				
5700 Local revenues	\$ 90,111,750	\$ 93,217,875	\$ 74,864,652	80%
5800 State revenues	194,488,250	191,382,125	107,130,429	56%
5900 Federal revenues	900,000	900,000	265,348	29%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 285,500,000	\$ 285,500,000	\$ 182,260,429	64%
EXPENDITURES:				
11 Instruction	\$ 171,695,476	\$ 171,699,203	\$ 51,251,999	30%
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,665,060	3,678,001	1,389,229	38%
13 Curr & Staff Develop	3,723,787	3,736,476	1,027,268	27%
21 Inst Leadership	4,436,253	4,424,883	1,658,592	37%
23 School Leadership	20,219,186	20,219,632	8,052,314	40%
31 Guidance/Counseling	11,905,320	11,903,880	4,586,588	39%
32 Social Services	234,007	234,007	77,274	33%
33 Health Services	4,073,850	4,075,050	1,269,151	31%
34 Transportation	6,563,516	6,612,016	2,663,809	40%
35 Food Service	50,000	50,000	7,164	14%
36 Extra-Curricular	5,655,757	5,630,562	1,352,714	24%
41 General Admin.	8,172,533	8,049,533	2,776,330	34%
51 Maint & Operations	27,632,139	27,851,269	9,579,631	34%
52 Security	2,871,342	2,871,342	646,051	22%
53 Data Processing	8,416,197	8,414,197	3,277,924	39%
61 Community Services	4,485,177	4,485,599	1,500,155	33%
71 Debt Service	1,205,400	1,205,400	-	0%
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	-	-	-	
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	85,000	85,000	16,566	19%
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	410,000	410,000	201,768	49%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 285,500,000	\$ 285,636,050	\$ 91,334,527	32%
OTHER SOURCES:				
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,338	
7913 Proceeds from Capital Leases	-	-	-	
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	-	-	
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,338	
OTHER USES:				
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ (136,050)	\$ 90,930,239	

2020-2021 General Fund
Summary of Proposed Budget Transfers/Amendments
03/18/2021 Regular Board Meeting

	General Fund Original Budget	February, 2021 Amended Budget	March, 2021 Proposed Budget Transfers	March, 2021 Proposed Budget Amendment	March, 2021 Proposed Amended Budget
REVENUES:					
5700 Local revenues	\$ 90,111,750	\$ 93,217,875	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 93,217,875
5800 State revenues	194,488,250	191,382,125	-	-	191,382,125
5900 Federal revenues	900,000	900,000	-	-	900,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 285,500,000	\$ 285,500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 285,500,000
EXPENDITURES:					
11 Instruction	\$ 171,695,476	\$ 171,697,043	\$ (348,995)	\$ -	\$ 171,348,048
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,665,060	3,703,001	1,200	-	3,704,201
13 Curr & Staff Develop	3,723,787	3,735,476	(56,350)	-	3,679,126
21 Inst Leadership	4,436,253	4,398,983	15,000	-	4,413,983
23 School Leadership	20,219,186	20,225,932	16,210	-	20,242,142
31 Guidance/Counseling	11,905,320	11,903,880	36,810	-	11,940,690
32 Social Services	234,007	234,007	-	-	234,007
33 Health Services	4,073,850	4,075,050	2,500	-	4,077,550
34 Transportation	6,563,516	6,606,716	-	-	6,606,716
35 Food Service	50,000	50,000	-	-	50,000
36 Extra-Curricular	5,655,757	5,633,622	(5,000)	-	5,628,622
41 General Admin.	8,172,533	8,049,533	150,200	-	8,199,733
51 Maint & Operations	27,632,139	27,851,269	-	-	27,851,269
52 Security	2,871,342	2,871,342	-	-	2,871,342
53 Data Processing	8,416,197	8,414,197	-	-	8,414,197
61 Community Services	4,485,177	4,485,599	1,150	-	4,486,749
71 Debt Service	1,205,400	1,205,400	-	-	1,205,400
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	-	-	187,275	-	187,275
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	85,000	85,000	-	-	85,000
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	-	-
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	410,000	410,000	-	-	410,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 285,500,000	\$ 285,636,050	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 285,636,050
OTHER SOURCES:					
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
OTHER USES:					
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ (136,050)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (136,050)

GRAND PRAIRIE ISD Board of Trustees

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✓ Consent Agenda / Action

Action

Information / Discussion

Public Hearing

Topic: Consider Approval of the OMNIA Partners Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement

Submitted by: Debbie Torres, Director of Purchasing

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the OMNIA Partners Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement.

Rationale:

This agreement with the OMNIA Partners Cooperative would allow GPISD greater efficiency and economy to purchase products and/or services by purchase orders, contract, agreement, or other appropriate legal methods of procurement from properly awarded contracted vendors through statutorily authorized methods.

Budget Information:

Associated costs are included in the Board approved General Fund or Special Revenue Grants.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

CH (LEGAL) and CH (LOCAL)

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Topic: Consider Approval to Request Waiver for Missed School Days Due to Inclement Weather

Submitted by: Pat Lewis, Associate Superintendent

Approved for Transmittal: *Spencer*

Board Meeting Date: March 18, 2021

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve a request to TEA for a missed school day waiver for the following dates:

- February 11, 2021
- February 16, 2021
- February 17, 2021
- February 18, 2021
- February 19, 2021
- February 22, 2021 (Uplift Delmas Morton Preparatory and Uplift Delmas Morton Preparatory @ Uplift Grand)

Rationale:

Districts or campuses may request a waiver for instructional days missed due to inclement weather and safety-related issues.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

BF (LEGAL)

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Topic: Consider Approval to Request Waiver for Remote Instruction During Inclement Weather for Uplift Delmas Morton

Submitted by: Traci Davis, Area Superintendent

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve a request to TEA for a waiver to provide remote instruction during an inclement weather closure for Uplift Delmas Morton Preparatory Primary and Uplift Delmas Morton Preparatory Secondary campuses in order to align with the waiver requests submitted for the Uplift Education Network.

Rationale:

On July 17, 2020, TEA issued guidance that allows a district to "request a waiver from the agency to receive funding while providing remote instruction during an LEA-determined closure that does not involve a confirmed case of Covid-19." Uplift Education determined that it was in the best interest of the Uplift Education Network to provide remote-only instruction on February 11, 2021 and February 12, 2021 due to significant safety concerns related to inclement weather.

Budget Information:

No budgetary impact

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EB (LEGAL) School Year

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Topic: Consider Approval to Request CPR Waiver for 2021 Seniors

Submitted by: Dr. Angela Herron, Chief Teaching and Learning Officer

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: March 18, 2021

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the request to submit a TEA waiver for the CPR instruction requirement for 2021 seniors due to COVID-19.

Rationale:

State law(TEC 28.0023) requires school district and open-enrollment charter schools to provide instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to students in grades 7 through 12, and students must receive the instruction at least once before graduating from high school. If seniors in 2020-2021 have not received the required instruction in CPR, a school district may request a waiver of the requirement from the Commissioner.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EHAC (LEGAL)

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Topic: Proclamation 2021 Instructional Materials Adoption

Submitted by: Chris Malone, Chief Technology Officer

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Proclamation 2021 Instructional Materials for both English and Spanish Pre-Kindergarten Systems:

Savvas Learning Company, LLC formerly Pearson K-12 Learning

Rationale:

During this five-month period, Dr. Angela Herron, Chief Teaching and Learning Officer, Magda Grape, Executive Director of Bilingual/ESL Programs, and Mary Jane Bowman, Director of Literacy, Dyslexia and PK-12 Interventions, have been working with the pre-kindergarten teachers to ensure that the process of reviewing textbooks was very intense and thorough. Our pre-kindergarten teachers have spent numerous hours reviewing sample instructional materials and attending publisher presentations.

Attached are position statements from the Pre-Kindergarten department to support these selections.

Budget Information:

2020-2021 State Technology Instructional Materials Allotment funds (TIMA) and General Funds will be used to purchase the instructional materials for Proclamation 2021.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EHAA (LEGAL) EH (LOCAL)

Proclamation 2021 Position Statement

The Pre-Kindergarten department has prepared a position statement to support the selection.

Pre-Kindergarten Systems / English and Spanish

In preparation for the GPISD Proclamation 2021 Adoption Hearing, the District Elementary Teaching and Learning team and selected representatives from our PK campuses attended the virtual Proclamation 2021 Summit held by Region 10 in November which showcased state approved PK instructional materials for literacy, math, science, and social studies. Our team attended the different sessions and evaluated the resources utilizing a rubric collaboratively developed by our teachers, instructional coaches, and campus and district leaders. We considered only instructional materials that supported 100% of the PK Guidelines, authentic literature in both English and Spanish, hands on math, science, and social studies, and the seamless integration of reading and writing across content as well as access to digital resources and ongoing professional development.

In January, we presented five PK instructional resources to our PK teachers. This was in addition to the three weeks teachers were given to view the different materials on their campus. Over 50 PK teachers, instructional coaches, campus principals, district strategists, and content facilitators attended the virtual GPISD Proclamation 2021 adoption hearing. Each of these teachers were required to attend all sessions to ensure that recommendations made to the Board have been well-vetted. After careful consideration, our PK teachers, instructional coaches, and district strategists have selected Savvas (formerly Pearson) Three Cheers for Pre-K and Uno, dos, tres ¡Prekínder! as their PK adoption.

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Topic: Consider Approval of Phase 1 Network Upgrades

Submitted by: Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business and Chris Malone, Chief Technology Officer

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve Phase 1 Network Upgrades.

Rationale:

Administration has reviewed all requests for proposals received and has worked with the District's E-Rate consultant. District staff, along with the District's E-Rate consultant, will present information to include upgrade data and proposed funding.

Budget Information:

District and E-Rate funding

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

CMD (LEGAL) CQ (LEGAL) CQC (LEGAL) CH (LEGAL) CH (LOCAL)

Administration Recommendation

What Action is needed for Option 1 ?

The Board of Trustees approves Phase 1 Upgrade – Option 1
Including a Budget Amendment that requires the use of Fund Balance in the amount of
\$4,944,875.

RFP 20-02 District UPS Systems – Electronics and Services

Vendor: Superior Fiber & Data Services, Inc.

Award: \$598,460

RFP 20-03 District Internet Core – Electronics and Services

Vendor: CDW Government

Award: \$1,565,455

RFP 20-04 District Core Switch Hardware – Electronics and Services

Vendor: CDW Government

Award: \$2,780,960

2020-2021 General Fund
Summary of Proposed Budget Transfers/Amendments
03/18/2021 Regular Board Meeting

	General Fund Original Budget	February, 2021 Amended Budget	March, 2021 Proposed Budget Transfers	March, 2021 Proposed Budget Amendment	March, 2021 Proposed Amended Budget
REVENUES:					
5700 Local revenues	\$ 90,111,750	\$ 93,217,875	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 93,217,875
5800 State revenues	194,488,250	191,382,125	-	-	191,382,125
5900 Federal revenues	900,000	900,000	-	-	900,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 285,500,000	\$ 285,500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 285,500,000
EXPENDITURES:					
11 Instruction	\$ 171,695,476	\$ 171,697,043	\$ (348,995)	\$ -	\$ 171,348,048
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,665,060	3,703,001	1,200	-	3,704,201
13 Curr & Staff Develop	3,723,787	3,735,476	(56,350)	-	3,679,126
21 Inst Leadership	4,436,253	4,398,983	15,000	-	4,413,983
23 School Leadership	20,219,186	20,225,932	16,210	-	20,242,142
31 Guidance/Counseling	11,905,320	11,903,880	36,810	-	11,940,690
32 Social Services	234,007	234,007	-	-	234,007
33 Health Services	4,073,850	4,075,050	2,500	-	4,077,550
34 Transportation	6,563,516	6,606,716	-	-	6,606,716
35 Food Service	50,000	50,000	-	-	50,000
36 Extra-Curricular	5,655,757	5,633,622	(5,000)	-	5,628,622
41 General Admin.	8,172,533	8,049,533	150,200	-	8,199,733
51 Maint & Operations	27,632,139	27,851,269	-	-	27,851,269
52 Security	2,871,342	2,871,342	-	-	2,871,342
53 Data Processing	8,416,197	8,414,197	-	4,944,875	13,359,072
61 Community Services	4,485,177	4,485,599	1,150	-	4,486,749
71 Debt Service	1,205,400	1,205,400	-	-	1,205,400
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	-	-	187,275	-	187,275
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	85,000	85,000	-	-	85,000
97 Payments to TIF	-	-	-	-	-
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	410,000	410,000	-	-	410,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 285,500,000	\$ 285,636,050	\$ -	\$ 4,944,875	\$ 290,580,925
OTHER SOURCES:					
7912 Sale of Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
7915 Operating Transfer In	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
OTHER USES:					
8911 Operating Transfer Out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ (136,050)	\$ -	\$ (4,944,875)	\$ (5,080,925)

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Topic: Consider Declaring the Election of Trustee in Single Member District 1 Canceled / Unopposed Candidate Elected

Submitted by: Debbie Torres, Director of Purchasing / Elections Coordinator

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve and adopt the Order of Cancellation declaring the election of the Trustee in Single Member District 1 canceled and the unopposed candidate elected as of May 1, 2021.

Rationale:

The filing period for a position on the ballot for the May 1, 2021 election for Single Member District 1 and Single Member District 5 ended on Friday, February 12, 2021. The candidate for Single Member District 1 is unopposed. An election may be canceled if the candidate is unopposed and there is no at-large opposed race on the ballot. The unopposed candidate in Single Member District 1 is Terry Brooks.

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

BBB (LEGAL)

**CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR
OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (NOT COUNTY)
CERTIFICACIÓN DE CANDIDATOS ÚNICOS
PARA OTRAS SUBDIVISIONES POLITICAS (NO EL CONDADO)**

To: Presiding Officer of Governing Body
Al: Presidente de la entidad gobernante

As the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared, I hereby certify that the following candidates are unopposed for election to office for the election scheduled to be held on May 1, 2021

Como autoridad a cargo de la preparación de la boleta de votación oficial, por la presente certifico que los siguientes candidatos son candidatos únicos para elección para un cargo en la elección que se llevará a cabo el 1 de mayo de 2021

List offices and names of candidates:
Lista de cargos y nombres de los candidatos:

Office(s) Cargo(s)	Candidate(s) Candidato(s)
Single Member District 1 (Distrito 1 de un solo miembro)	Terry Brooks

Debbie Torres
Signature (Firma)

Debbie Torres
Printed name (Nombre en letra de molde)

Elections Coordinator (Coordinadora de elecciones)
Title (Puesto)

February 22, 2021 (11 de febrero de 2021)
Date of signing (Fecha de firma) **(Seal) (sello)**

See reverse side for instructions
(Instrucciones en el reverso)

Instructions for certification of unopposed candidates:

The authority responsible for preparing the ballot must certify the unopposed status to the authority responsible for ordering the election. This document is filed with the presiding officer of the political subdivision. The governing body must meet, accept this certification, and issue an order or ordinance declaring the election cancelled and the unopposed candidates elected. To complete the cancellation process, a copy of the order or ordinance canceling the election must be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in the election. See sample Order of Cancellation and outlines for additional instructions.

An election* may be cancelled if:

- 1) The election is one in which a declaration of write-in candidacy is required; and
- 2) No opposed at-large race is on the ballot* within that election;*and
- 3) Each candidate whose name is to appear on the ballot* is unopposed, with some exceptions;

This means:

- In an all at-large election* (with no single-member districts), if there is one or more opposed at-large races, then all the races go on the ballot within that election.*
- In an election* in which any members of the governing body are elected from single-member districts, an election in a particular district may be cancelled if the candidate is unopposed and the election otherwise meets the above requirements (i.e., there is no at-large opposed race on the ballot).

Note: A general election (for full terms) or a special election (to fill a vacancy in an unexpired term) is considered a *separate election* with a *separate ballot* for purposes of these tests, even if held on the same election date. See our online Cancellation guide for details.

Instrucciones para la certificación de una elección con candidatos únicos:

La autoridad a cargo de preparar la boleta de votación debe certificar los candidatos únicos sin oposición a la autoridad encargada de ordenar la elección. Este documento se debe presentar al presidente de la subdivisión política. La entidad gobernante debe reunirse, aceptar esta certificación y emitir una orden o una ordenanza en la que declara la cancelación de la elección y la elección de los candidatos únicos sin oposición. Para completar el proceso de cancelación, se debe exhibir el Día de la Elección una copia de la orden u ordenanza de cancelación de la elección en todos los sitios de votación que se hubieran utilizado en la elección. Vea el ejemplo Orden de Cancelación y el resumen para más instrucciones.

Una elección* puede ser cancelada si:

- 1) *la elección es una en la que se requiere una declaración de candidatos por escrito en la boleta de votación; y,*
- 2) *no hay oposición para la carrera por acumulación en la boleta* de votación dentro de esa elección**
- 3) *Todos los candidatos cuyos nombres deben aparecer en la boleta* de votación no tienen oposición, con unas excepciones;*

Esto significa:

- *En una elección* por acumulación (sin ningún distrito con miembro único), si se encuentra una o más de una carrera por acumulación con oposición, entonces todas las carreras estarán en la boleta dentro de esa elección*.*
- *En una elección* en la que cualquiera de los miembros de la entidad gobernante se eligen de distritos con un solo miembro, se puede cancelar una elección en un distrito específico si hay oposición para el candidato y la elección cumple con los requisitos que anteceden (ej. no hay oposición para la carrera por acumulación en la boleta).*

Nota: Una elección general (con términos completos) o una elección especial (para llenar una vacante de un término no vencido) es considerada como una elección distinta con una boleta distinta con los propósitos de estas pruebas, aunque se lleven a cabo en la misma fecha electoral. Vea nuestra guía de cancelación en línea para más detalles.

ORDER OF CANCELLATION
EJEMPLO DE ORDEN DE CANCELACIÓN

The Grand Prairie ISD hereby cancels the election scheduled to be held on **May 1, 2021** in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code. The following candidate has been certified as unopposed and is hereby elected as follows:

*El Grand Prairie ISD por la presente cancela la elección que, de lo contrario, se hubiera celebrado el **1 de mayo de 2021** de conformidad, con la Sección 2.053(a) del Código de Elecciones de Texas. Los siguientes candidatos han sido certificados como candidatos únicos y por la presente quedan elegidos como se haya indicado a continuación:*

Candidate (<i>Candidato</i>)	Office Sought (<i>Cargo al que presenta candidatura</i>)
Terry Brooks	Single Member District 1 (<i>Distrito 1 de un solo miembro</i>)

A copy of this order will be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.

El Día de las Elecciones se exhibirá una copia de esta orden en todas las mesas electorales que se hubieran utilizado en la elección.

President (*Presidente*)

Secretary (*Secretario*)

(seal) (*sello*)

March 18, 2021

Date of adoption
(*Fecha de adopción*)

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Topic: Consider Taking Action on Employee Contracts

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal: *Linda Ellis*

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board consider the following:

- Proposing non-renewal of contracts.
- Consider terminating probationary contracts.
- Consider extending probationary contracts to a fourth year.
- Accepting resignations.
- Consider proposing termination during the contract year.

Rationale:

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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Topic: Consider Teacher Resignations/Contract Abandonment

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal: *Linda Ellis*

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

Consider whether good cause exists under TEC Section 21.210(c)(2) and 19 TAC 249.14(g) for teachers attempting to resign during contract term.

Rationale:

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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Topic: Budget Planning

Submitted by: Tracy Ray, Interim Deputy Superintendent of Business

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

Rationale:

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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Topic: HB 3 TIA Update

Submitted by: Dr. Nugget Cunningham, Deputy Superintendent of Academics

Approved for Transmittal: *[Signature]*

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Board will receive an update on HB3 TIA (Teacher Incentive Allotment)

Rationale:

Information shared will inform Board members on progress around the Teacher Incentive Allotment initiative.

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

N/A

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Topic: Spring Demographic Update

Submitted by: Teri Wilson, Chief of Staff

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

Mr. Bob Templeton of Templeton Demographics will present demographic update for GPISD.

Rationale:

Information shared will be considered for budget year 2021 - 2022

Budget Information:

As budgeted for in the 2020 - 2021 operating budget

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

N/A

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Topic: Career and Technical Education Overview

Submitted by: Dr. Elna Davis, Area Superintendent and Aniska Douglas, Director of CTE

Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: March 18, 2021

Recommendation:

The Grand Prairie ISD CTE department will highlight student accomplishments and achievements during a global pandemic. This presentation will provide Trustees with an overview of the following:

- virtual lessons and curriculum

- certifications, internships (both virtual and in-person), as well as career and technical student organizations (CTSOs)

Rationale:

In recognition of CTE month, the Grand Prairie ISD CTE department will provide a program overview.

Budget Information:

No budgetary impact

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EHBF (LEGAL) - SPECIAL PROGRAMS: CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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Topic: Request for Proposal (RFP) Process and Timeline for Food Service Management Company

Submitted by: Pat Lewis, Associate Superintendent and Sherry Ellis, Assistant Director of Business Operations

Approved for Transmittal: *Sherry Ellis*

Board Meeting Date: March 18, 2021

Recommendation:

The GPISD Board of Trustees will receive a timeline for the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for Food Service Management based on GPISD Purchasing Department and Texas Department of Agricultural (TDA) rules and guidelines.

Rationale:

Budget Information:

N/A

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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Topic: 2021-2022 Calendar for Grand Prairie Collegiate Institute

Submitted by: Traci Davis, Area Superintendent and Dr. Felicia Layne, GPCI Chancellor

Approved for Transmittal: *Felicia Layne*

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

Dr. Layne will present the proposed calendar for Grand Prairie Collegiate Institute for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Rationale:

Grand Prairie Collegiate Institute is a District-run charter campus. The charter allows for flexibility in the school calendar to accommodate unique programming needs. The proposed calendar meets the criteria of 180 student instructional days and 187 staff contract days while allowing a Summer Bridge that provides T-Stem enrichment and college readiness programming.

Budget Information:

No budgetary impact

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

EL (LOCAL) Campus or Program Charters
EB (LEGAL and LOCAL) School Year



GPCI's Calendar Committee Recommendations **for the 2021/2022 School year**

Suggested GPCI Non-School Days:

September 24, 2021

November 19, 2021

February 18, 2022

April 29, 2022

- Summer Bridge
May 31 – June 3

VERIFICATION OF REQUIRED DAYS

- Students: 180 Days
- Teachers: 187 Days

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Grand Prairie Collegiate Calendar 2021-2022 School Year

July 2021

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	H	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	NT	NT	30	31

August 2021

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1	NT	SD	SD	SD	SD	7
8	SD	WD	(11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

September 2021

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26	27	28	29	30		

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November 2021

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28	29	30				

December 2021

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12	13	14	15	16	WD	8
19	H	H	H	H	H	25
26	H	H	H	H	H	

Semester/Nine Weeks

Aug. 11 - Oct. 15 45 days

Oct. 18 - Dec. 17 39 days

First Semester 84 days

Jan. 4 - Mar. 11 46 days

Mar. 21 - May 26 46 days

Second Semester 92 days

Summer Bridge May 31-June 3.....4 days

Total Days 180 days

New Teacher

July 28 - 29 August 2

Staff Development

August 3 - 9

Early Release Days

October 8 December 17 March 4

Teacher Work Days

August 10 May 27

Bad Weather Make-Up Days

February 21 April 18

Dolores C. Huerta and Cesar E. Chavez Day

March 28

Holidays

July 5 Independence Day (Observed)

September 6 Labor Day

October 11 Fall Break

November 22 - 26 Thanksgiving Break

December 20 - Jan. 3 Winter Break

January 17 MLK Day

March 14 - 18 Spring Break

April 15 Good Friday

May 30 Memorial Day

First Day of School August 11

Last Day for Students May 26

January 2022

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February 2022

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27	28					

March 2022

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April 2022

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May 2022

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June 2022

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NT New Teacher Orientation

SD Staff Development

WD Teacher Work Days

SS SafeSchools

BW Bad Weather Make-Up Days

() Beginning/Ending Nine Weeks

H Holidays and Other Non-School Days

ER Early Release Days

NS GPCI NON SCHOOL DAY

 SUMMER BRIDGE

Students: 180 Days

Teachers: 187 Days

Note: Subject to change
by legislative action

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Public Hearing

Topic: Dickinson Montessori Updates

Submitted by: Traci Davis, Area Superintendent and Whitney Carlisle, Principal

Approved for Transmittal: *Whitney Carlisle*

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Board will receive an overview of the implementation of the Montessori approach to learning at Dickinson. The Board will consider the renaming of the school from Suzanna Dickinson Elementary School to Suzanna Dickinson Montessori Academy, as well as the performance agreement between the campus and Grand Prairie ISD.

Rationale:

The campus began implementation of the Montessori Method in the 2019-2020 School Year and is advancing Montessori strategies into second grade next school year. With half of the campus utilizing the Montessori approach to learning, we ask that the campus name reflect the programming offered at the campus.

Budget Information:

This programming change is grant funded.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

Board Policy CW (LOCAL): Naming Facilities

Agreement between Grand Prairie ISD and Dickinson Montessori Academy

This Agreement (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the last date of the signature hereto (the “Effective Date”), for a Term commencing April 16, 2021 (“Commencement Date”) by and between Grand Prairie Independent School District, a public independent school district and political subdivision of the State of Texas, (“District” or “GPISD”) and Dickinson Montessori Academy (“Implementation Partner” or “IP”) (together, the “Parties”) to work together to create an exemplar for Montessori education in GPISD.

ARTICLE I. RECITALS

- 1.01 Independent School District. The District is an independent school district created in accordance with the laws of Texas.
- 1.02 Authority. The Board of Trustees of the District is charged by Texas Education Code (“TEC”), §11.1515 with oversight regarding student academic achievement and strategic leadership for maximizing student performance.
- 1.03 Dickinson Elementary. Dickinson Montessori Academy is a campus serving as an organizational unit of GPISD and is eligible to receive a performance rating under the state accountability system.
- 1.04 Consideration. In consideration of the mutual agreements set forth in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

- 2.01 Performance Agreement. This Agreement constitutes a Performance Agreement, through which IP agrees to achieve the goals set forth in Addendum A-1 (“the Performance Outcomes”), that advance the strategic goal of the district’s Board of Trustees to increase student achievement (“the Strategic Goal”).
- 2.02 Premise of Agreement. This Agreement is predicated on an understanding that students benefit when a district and school leadership team collaboratively work to develop and implement new school models that are responsive to the needs of students and families in the community.

ARTICLE III. DEFINED TERMS

- 3.01 Facilities. “Facilities” are defined as the building(s) located on the School Campus and related equipment, furnishings, and property improvements, including any athletic fields and related improvements, and the land on which the building(s) and related improvements are located.

- 3.02 Material Breach. A “Material Breach” of this Agreement means the breach by a Party of any material obligation, contained in this Agreement, including without limitation any failure by either Party to comply with all Applicable Law under Paragraph 3.03.
- 3.03 Applicable Law. “Applicable Law” means all state and federal laws, rules, regulations, and administrative and judicial determinations and decisions that govern the performance of this Agreement, as they currently exist or as they may be adopted, amended, or issued during the Term of this Agreement under Paragraph 4.01.

ARTICLE IV. TERM, TERMINATION AND CONTINUATION

- 4.01 Term. The initial term of this Agreement shall begin on the Commencement Date and end on June 30, 2024 (“Term”).
- 4.02 Termination by Mutual Consent. This Agreement may be terminated at any time by mutual written agreement of IP and the District if termination is effective no sooner than the end of the then- current school year.
- 4.03 Termination for Material Breach. GPISD may terminate this Agreement if IP fails to remedy a Material Breach of this Agreement within sixty (60) days after written notice of such Material Breach; provided, however, that if the breach would affect the safety or well-being of a student or is not reasonably capable of being cured, then no such notice and opportunity to cure shall be required.
- 4.04. Termination Related to Program Performance. The District may terminate this Agreement within sixty (60) days after written notice if IP does not substantially achieve the Performance Outcomes specified in Addendum A-1, attached, after the second year of School operation, and subsequent years, under this Agreement.
- 4.05 Continuation of Agreement for the Benefit of Students. The parties intend that this Agreement will have an initial Term beginning with the Commencement Date and continuing through end of Term (three [3] years and three [3] months), with automatic renewal for subsequent terms of three (3) years unless the Agreement is terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Article. Any nonrenewal or termination of this Agreement shall not take effect until the end of the operating school year so as to not disturb student learning.

ARTICLE V. APPLICABLE LAWS

- 5.01 Compliance with Applicable Law. The Parties shall perform their respective obligations under this Agreement in compliance with Applicable Law. The Parties stipulate that Applicable Law includes, but is not limited to, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1974; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (“Section 504”); the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act (“IDEA”); the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (“FERPA”); the Every Student Succeeds Act to the extent specified in the Act; the Texas Education Code to the extent the School is not exempt;

record retention laws and conflicts of interest laws under the Texas Local Government Code; the Texas Local Government Code, to the extent it applies to school districts; and any amendments, interpretations, and reauthorizations of the foregoing.

ARTICLE VI. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 6.01 Student Outcome Goals. The primary responsibility of IP under this Agreement is to ensure that the Performance Outcomes specified in **Addendum A-1**, or as amended, are substantially achieved.
- 6.02 Monitoring Performance. The District shall have the right to monitor the performance of IP under **Addendum A-1**.

ARTICLE VII. OPERATIONS

- 7.01 Definition of School Model / Autonomy of School. IP shall exercise autonomy over the following domains in consultation with GPISD:
- (a) Management of curriculum and instruction in accordance with the standards set by (a) the Association Montessori International of the United States (AMI/USA).
 - (a) Design and implementation of professional development content, schedule and sequence.
- 7.02 School Schedule. IP shall, in alignment with the AMI/USA standards, recommend annually to GPISD a daily schedule and an annual academic and program calendar in accordance with Applicable Law and this Agreement. GPISD will consult with IP before rejecting any recommendation.
- 7.03 School Code of Conduct. GPISD shall ensure that IP's Principal has an annual opportunity to provide feedback and recommendations with respect to the Code of Conduct. GPISD may provide this opportunity using the feedback process applicable to other campuses within the district.
- 7.04 Facilities Consultation. GPISD shall provide reasonable advanced written notice to IP on any Facilities relocations, build-out, renovations, or other material changes and IP shall have the ability to provide input on any Facilities changes conducted by District; GPISD has final determination on Facilities spending and decisions.
- 7.05 Branding. IP shall have representation in any workgroup/task-force/process connected to defining the brand/identity of the School, including the School's name, mascot, motto, logo, and/or other similar identifiable elements.

ARTICLE VIII. FINANCES

- 8.01 Role of the District. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement or as necessary in order to comply with the terms of this Agreement, the District shall determine the School's budget and all financial decisions and processes.
- 8.02 Flexibility in Use of Campus Allocation. IP, in consultation with GPISD, may develop a budget that enables the Principal to use compensatory education and other mutually identified categories of funding to meet the specialized needs of the Montessori model to the extent permissible under state and federal law.

ARTICLE IX. STAFFING

- 9.01 Hiring. GPISD will offer IP the opportunity to recruit district staff to the Academy in a timeframe that enables any staff selected to participate in the full schedule of Montessori training required for the role.
- 9.02 Personnel at Schools of Choice. GPISD agrees to allocate additional staff to the Academy on the same basis as the district allocates staff to other schools of choice within the district.

ARTICLE X. GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

- 10.01 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including all referenced attachments and terms incorporated by reference contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement.
- 10.02 Waiver. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement will be effective unless in writing, nor will such waiver constitute a waiver of any other provision of this Agreement.
- 10.03 Amendment. Any and all amendments and modifications to this Agreement must be in writing and signed by both Parties and shall not conflict with Applicable Law.
- 10.04 Days. Any timeline in this Agreement referencing "days" shall mean calendar days.
- 10.05 Annual Meeting. Prior to November 1 of each year during the term of this Agreement, the Superintendent or designee will participate in a school review with the Principal to discuss the progress of the School, including Performance Outcomes. During the review the Superintendent will provide the Principal with notice of any issues that could result in termination of the Agreement, if any, along with an opportunity to respond.

If to the IP:

If to the DISTRICT:

Principal

Superintendent of ISD

Entered into this ____ day of _____, 2021

By: _____
Principal

By: _____
Superintendent

Addendum A: Performance Outcomes and Data Reporting

Student Outcome Goals

Performance Measure #1	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Pre-K CLI Performance: Reading	89.5% of Pre-k students are identified as "on track" by the assessment.	91% of Pre-k students are identified as "on track" by the assessment.	92.5% of Pre-k students are identified as "on track" by the assessment.

Performance Measure #2	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Pre-K CLI Performance: Math	92% of Pre-k students are identified as "on track" by the assessment.	93.5% of Pre-k students are identified as "on track" by the assessment.	95% of Pre-k students are identified as "on track" by the assessment.

Performance Measure #3	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Kindergarten Star 360 Early Literacy Performance	68% of K students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	69.5% of K students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	71% of K students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.

Performance Measure #4	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Kindergarten Star 360 Math Performance	The percentage of K students identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment will increase from the EOY 2020-2021 baseline by 1.5%.	The percentage of K students identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment will increase from the EOY 2021-2022 performance by 1.5%.	The percentage of K students identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment will increase from the EOY 2021-2022 performance by 1.5%.

Performance Measure #5	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
1 st Grade Star 360 Reading Performance	58% of 1 st Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	59.5% of 1 st Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	61% of 1 st Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.

Performance Measure #6	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
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1 st Grade Star 360 Math Performance	75% of 1 st Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	76.5% of 1 st Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	78% of 1 st Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.
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Performance Measure #7	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
2 nd Grade Star 360 Reading Performance	40% of 2 nd Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	41.5% of 2 nd Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	43% of 2 nd Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.

Performance Measure #8	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
2 nd Grade Star 360 Math Performance	54% of 2 nd Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	55.5% of 2 nd Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.	57% of 2 nd Grade students are identified as at or above benchmark by the assessment.

Performance Measure #9	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
STAAR 3 rd Grade Reading: Students scoring meets grade level or above	N/A	44.5% of 3 rd Grade students score meets grade level or above on STAAR reading.	48% of 3 rd Grade students score meets grade level or above on STAAR reading.

Performance Measure #10	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
STAAR 3 rd Grade Math: Students scoring meets grade level or above	N/A	46.5% of 3 rd Grade students score meets grade level or above on STAAR math.	50% of 3 rd Grade students score meets grade level or above on STAAR math.

Data Reporting

For the term of this agreement, Dickinson will provide the data from the above performance measures to GPISD administration within 14 days of the data becoming available.

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Topic: Review of Board Agenda Calendar

Submitted by: Linda Ellis, Superintendent of Schools

Approved for Transmittal: *Linda Ellis*

Board Meeting Date: 3/18/21

Recommendation:

The Board Agenda Calendar is presented for your review for revisions or additions.

Rationale:

Budget Information:

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

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Board of Trustees Agenda Calendar

MARCH 2021

Planning / Evaluation	
Personnel	1. Administrator Contract Recommendations 2. Non-Administrator Contract Recommendations and Proposed Non- Renewals; Terminations
Budget	I. Budget Work Session
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	1. Waiver Request for Inclement Weather Make-Up Days 2. Dolores C. Huerta and Cesar E. Chavez Day: March 29, 2021
District Events	1. Texas Public Schools Week: March 1 - 5, 2021 2. Spring Break: March 8 - 12, 2021
Other Board Related Events	

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APRIL 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	1. Administrator Contract Recommendations 2. Non -Administrator Contract Recommendations and Proposed Non - Renewals; Terminations
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	I. Investment Policy and Strategy Review and Approval
Other	1. Good Friday Holiday: April 2, 2021 2. Holiday /Bad Weather Make-Up Day: April 12, 2021
District Events	1. Service Awards Banquet and Retiree Recognition: April 27, 2021 (Drive Thru Event)
Other Board Related Events	I. Announce Board Member Training Credits

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MAY 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	I. Approve Hazardous Bus Routes
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	I. New Board Member Orientation (if needed)
Policy	
Other	1. Present Student Handbooks and Student Code of Conduct Updates 2. Canvass School Board Election: 3. Memorial Day Holiday: May 31, 2021 4. Cinco de Mayo: May 5, 2021
District Events	1. School Board Election: May 1, 2021
Other Board Related Events	

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JUNE 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	1. Student Handbooks 2. Reorganization of Board
District Events	1. Graduation
Other Board Related Events	1. TASB Post-Legislative Conference 2. TASB Summer Leadership Institute: Fort Worth; June 23-26, 2021

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JULY 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	1. Review Draft of Budget
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	1. Student Organization Constitutions & Baseline Guidelines (Presented every five years - Board approved 2/12/2015)
District Events	1. Mandatory GPISD Closing
Other Board Related Events	1. Approve Board Participation in TASA/TASB Annual Convention 2. Approve Board Delegate and Alternate to TASB Delegate Assembly 3. Texas Institute for School Boards Center for Reformed School Systems Training (CRSS)

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AUGUST 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	1. Public Hearing for New Fiscal Year Budget 2. Approval for New Fiscal Year Budget 3. Order Establishing Tax Rate and Levying/Assessing Ad Valorem Taxes 4. Budget Workshop 5. Final Budget Amendment for Current Year
Team Development	I. Board Team of 8 Training
Policy	
Other	1. Pre-K Tuition Letter to TEA 2. DIP - Performance Objectives 3. Suicide Awareness Report 4. Approval for Memorandum of Understanding for Dallas County JJAEP
District Events	1. Convocation 2. Summer Graduation 3. Market Day (Vendor Fair) 4. First Day of School - August 11, 2021
Other Board Related Events	

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SEPTEMBER 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	I. Budget Amendment# 1 (prior year rollover expenditures)
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	I. Football season begins 2. Labor Day Holiday: September 6, 2021
Other Board Related Events	I. TASA/TASB Convention: September 24-26, 2021 (Dallas)

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OCTOBER 2021

Planning / Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	I. Present Budget Calendar
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	1. Fall Break: October 11, 2021 2. Education Foundation Golf Tournament
Other Board Related Events	

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NOVEMBER 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	I. Thanksgiving Break: November 22-26, 2021
Other Board Related Events	

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DECEMBER 2021

Planning/ Evaluation	
Personnel	
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	I. Winter Break: December 20, 2021 -January 3, 2022
Other Board Related Events	

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JANUARY 2022

Planning / Evaluation	
Personnel	1. Evaluation of Superintendent/Superintendent's Contract
Budget	2. Approve Audit Report
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	1. Adoption of Election Order
District Events	1. The Experience: 2. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: January 17, 2022
Other Board Related Events	1. School Board Recognition Month

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FEBRUARY 2022

Planning / Evaluation	1. Attendance Zones 2. Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) Public Hearing
Personnel	1. Administrator Contract Recommendations
Budget	
Team Development	
Policy	
Other	
District Events	1. Bad Weather Make-Up Day: February 21, 2022
Other Board Related Events	1. TASA/TASB Virtual Legislative Conference 2. Soups on for Love