

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): GILBERTO GONZALEZ, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Briefly describe the action required.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 6, 2014, (SPECIAL), AND FEBRUARY 11, 2014, (REGULAR) BOARD MEETINGS.

(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 Special Board Meeting Board Workshop on February 06, 2014, 6:00 P.M. at the District Service Center, 1420 Eidson Road, Eagle Pass, TX 78852.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Ignacio J. Saucedo, President
Ms. Glenna Purcell, Vice-President
Dr. Hector Alvarez, Trustee
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Ms. Lupita Fuentes, Secretary
Mr. Ramon Ramirez, Trustee
Mr. Benjamin Rodriguez, III, Trustee

Superintendent: Mr. Gilberto Gonzalez

Attorney: Mr. Richard Strieber, Escamilla & Poneck, Law Firm.

I. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Board President Ignacio J. Saucedo called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

II. DISTRICT REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. **Presentation of the Policy change recommendations resulting from the Policy Review Session held on October 22-23, 2013.** Jesus A. Costilla, Executive Director for Human Resources reviewed the Policy Change Recommendations that were discussed during the Policy Review Session on October 22-23, 2013, with Tammy Jordan, TASB Policy Consultant. Mr. Costilla reviewed the Local Policy Recommendations in chronological order. Board President and members elected to ask questions on the policy codes of interest and use the Policy Review Handbook as reference to their questions/concerns. School Attorney Richard Strieber stated that when the Board makes the motion it would incorporate all their changes to all of the Policies.

NOTE: Policy Codes in **Bold** have complete or partial changes as per Board Members. Non-bold policy codes are inquests, concerns, and suggestions by Board Members.

CDA(Local) removing the annual report but keeping the quarterly report.

CH(Local) Recommendation is from \$10,00 to \$75,000. **Board agrees for \$ 20,000.**

CRD(Local) will be removed from Board Policy and added to the Administrative Regulations Handbook.

CV(Local)- As per the Board, Construction Contracts to increase only \$20,000.00 however, Change Orders/Emergency Field Orders to remain at \$1,000.00.

CVB(Local) Do not change; keep language as is and add the safety language.

DCB(Local)- There were some positions left out (Term/Non Certified) contracts so a recommendation will be submitted to add them to the policy. **Instructional Officers and Deans of Instruction were struck out they need to be added to the policy.**

DEE(Local) The district follows state rates to be in compliance with grants. Once the policy is adopted a memorandum will be issued to administration... any travels with Federal/State Funds, receipts will now be required to reimburse the employee for their meal expenses. If it's a non-grant fund etc. an M & O fund travel, no receipts are required, it will be at a per diem basis.

DEA(Local) This policy should be removed from policy, it is not being used.

DHE(Local)- School attorney comments on the change in this policy... the district will basically still follow what was in place, and by saying "reasonable suspicion" that probably broadens the district's authority over the prior policy. School attorney will look into the policy with other districts, and if there needs to be a change he will bring it back to the board.

DK(Local)- Reassignments/Department Chairpersons are not being removed they are being taken from Board Policy and added to the Administrative Regulations. As per school attorney, a written Administrative Regulation must be established to set it out.

DP(Local)- Keep as is do not revise. If needed, advertisements should read to meet this specific criterion. (At least three years experience as a classroom teacher)

EG(Local)- The curriculum is always changing it will be removed from Board Policy and added to the Administrative Regulations.

EHDA(Local)- It is in Legal Policy, does not need to be in Local Policy.

EIF(Local)- The policy is also being recommended to be added in the Student Handbook.

FD(Local)- Designee of this policy is Jose Hernandez, Director of Instructional Services

FDB(Local)- Keep "Exceptions" in Board Policy.

FFA(Local)- Would like to have this policy code monitored, if its in policy then it should be followed. Making sure students have sufficient time to eat their meals to create that environment conducive to healthful eating and physical activity.

FFC(Local)- The liaison for the homeless students works directly with the Federal Programs Director.

GKDA(Local)- Must keep Superintendent or Designee in the wording.

Q & A: Board Members & Administrators

Q. Is there a Board Policy Committee in place?

A. Yes, it comprises principals, counselors, teachers, and head coaches' ...one board member. Because the Policy Review was conducted, H.R. Director did not involve the Policy Committee. During the Policy Review, the directors and coordinators attended the Review and that is when the changes were made.

Suggestion by School Attorney: Having three board members serve on the Policy Committee appointed by the Board President. They would review policies and make recommendations to the Board, as to whether to accept or not accept changes. The Board will then basically go through the process similar to this one. This is only one recommendation and if three board members are to serve in the Policy Committee, it is suggested to Post the committee meeting for coverage, even if the board members do not make the recommendation.

Board President would like to have more than one board member in the Policy Committee. Should one board member not be able to attend the meeting... there would be some sort of representation for the Policy Committee. These policies are what we govern by... we need some sort of composition.

Board Members indicated the need to be kept well informed of what is in or what will be added to the Administrative Regulations Handbook. Once these changes are adopted they would like to have a copy of the Administrative Regulations Handbook.

III. ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve Policy Change Recommendations. **Motion by Trustee Saucedo second by Trustee Purcell to approve changes subject to the changes discussed. Granted 4/0**

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 P.M. **Motion by Trustee Martinez second by Trustee Alvarez. Granted 4/0.**

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

PRESIDENT _____ **SECRETARY** _____

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: _____

DATE MINUTES SIGNED: _____

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 February 11, 2014, at 6:00 P.M. at the District Service Center Board Room located at 1420 Eidson Road, Eagle Pass, TX 78852.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Ignacio J. Saucedo, President
Ms. Glenna Purcell, Vice President
Ms. Lupita Fuentes, Secretary, arrived @ 6:23 P.M.
Mr. Hector Alvarez, Trustee
Mrs. Hilda P. Martinez, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Mr. Ramon Ramirez, Trustee
Dr. Hector Alvarez, Trustee

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Gilberto Gonzalez

Attorney: Mr. Richard Strieber, Law Firm of Escamilla & Poneck

Staff Members and Visitors Present: The sign-in sheet hereby becomes a part of these minutes.

- I. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Board President, Ignacio J. Saucedo called the meeting to order at 6:09 P.M.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Gilberto Gonzalez, Eagle Pass ISD Superintendent of Schools led the Pledge of Allegiance.

With the permission of the Board, Board President Ignacio J. Saucedo, moved forward to item X. Correspondence and Information: Board President Saucedo introduced Ms. Cynthia Martinez, a native of Eagle Pass as Field Liaison for United States Representative, Congressman Pete Gallego. Ms. Martinez, addressed the Board of Trustees, Superintendent, and all who were present that she is the new representative for Congressman Pete Gallego, for Maverick County and nine other counties, she is based in one of the offices located in the Eagle Pass City Hall, Monday through Tuesday, and can also be contacted by email, which she provided. Various services are being offered through federal agencies encourages all constituents to get assistance and benefit from the services offered. The district office is located in San Antonio, Texas.

- III. **CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION/ RECOGNITIONS:** No one signed up for the Citizen's Communications.
 1. Recognition of the Eagle Pass High School Lady Eagle Volleyball Members: Jaime Donley, Amanda Gonzalez, Amanda Grebenok, Camille Pina, Victoria Torralba, Clarissa Valdez, and Karina Yebra for being selected as members of the 2013-2014 Volleyball Academic All-State Team by the Texas Girls Coaches Association. **Item was withdrawn.**
 2. **Recognition of CC Winn High School football Team members for being selected to the Academic All-State Student/Athletes: Rodolfo Lara, 1st Team Academic All State, Steven Garcia, 2nd Team Academic All-State, and Esai Fuentes, 2nd Teach Academic All State.** Melissa Gratkowski, Public Relations Officer, and Coach Villasenor made the presentation and a recognition award was presented to CC Winn High School Football Team Academic All-State Students and a group picture was taken along with the School Boards, Superintendent, and Head Coach Villasenor.

Board President Saucedo, on behalf of Board Member Ramirez congratulated Coach Hooper and the volleyball team and coaches for an outstanding season, the three athletes from CC Winn High School Academic All-State Students/Athletes, parents, coaches, teachers and administration from CC Winn for a job well done. Board President also, congratulated all student athletes on and off the field for such a great job and who set the example for everybody.

3. **Presentation of 2012-2013 Texas School Recognition Awards and Recognition of Campuses.** Melissa Gratkowski, Public Information Officer made the presentation of the 2012-13 TX School Recognitions Awards and Recognitions of Campuses. Ms. Gratkowski called-up the campuses to receive their recognition plaques and photos were taken with their Adopted Board Member: The recognitions were a combination of Met Standard, and/or Distinguished Designation, and/or Top %.

IV. DISTRICT REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. Financial Report. Questions and answers were provided on how much has been invested in the remediation of the Mold at LDC and the remediation of the Bat situation at Eagle Pass High School.
2. Utility Report. **No questions by the Board.**
3. Tax Collection Report. **No questions by the Board.**
4. Delinquent Collection Activities for October-December 2013. **Item withdrawn.**
5. **Spring 2013 TELPAS Results.** Mr. Gilberto Sanchez, Bilingual/Fine Arts Director made the presentation of the TELPAS Report of student progress. No questions from the Board.

V. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Services and Equipment between Eagle Pass ISD and the City of Eagle Pass. **Motion by Trustee Purcell second by Trustee Fuentes to approve said agreement. Granted 5/0.**

VI. CONSENT:

It was the consensus of the Board to consider item(s) 1 - 3 in one motion. **Motion by Trustee Fuentes second by Trustee Martinez. Granted 5/0.**

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2014, (Regular) Board Meeting. **Item previously considered.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to declare the attached list of items as Surplus Property and authorize its disposal. **Item previously considered.**
3. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to amend the General Fund Budget. **Item previously considered.**

- VII. **CLOSED SESSION:** Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, 551.083, and 551.084, Texas Government Code:

PERSONNEL MATTERS: under section 551.074, Texas Government Code, to deliberate the appointments, employment, evaluations, reassignments, duties discipline or dismissal of public officers or employee; or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee:

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 6:52 P.M. Pursuant to Section §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, §551.082, §551.083, and §551.084 of the Texas Government Code. **Motion by Trustee Rodriguez III second by Trustee Fuentes. Granted 5/0.**

1. Discuss the request to hire personnel to fill vacancies pursuant to TGC 551.074.
2. Discuss the request to approve Term Contracts as presented.

VIII. OPEN SESSION:

The Meeting Reconvened at **7:21 P.M.** and the Board will 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 as discussed in Closed Session. **Motion by Trustee Fuentes second by Trustee Purcell to hire personnel to fill vacancies as discussed in Closed Session. Granted 5/0.**
2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve Term Contracts as presented. **Motion by Trustee Purcell second by Trustee Rodriguez III to approve Term Contracts as Presented. Granted 5/0.**

IX. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION: Item previously addressed.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:24 P.M. **Motion by Trustee Rodriguez III second by Trustee Martinez. Granted 5/0.**

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