



EDCOUCH-ELSA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

P.O. Box 127 / 920 West Santa Rosa Ave., Edcouch, Tx. 78538

Agenda of School District Regular Board Meeting Edcouch-Elsa ISD Board of Trustees

A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Edcouch-Elsa ISD will be held on **Wednesday, May 19, 2021 beginning at 6:30 PM** in the Board Room
920 W. Santa Rosa Avenue
Edcouch, Texas 78538 in Edcouch, Texas.

AGENDA

Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 Coronavirus, this meeting will be conducted in person. District and CDC Guidelines will be enforced. At least a quorum of the board will be participating in accordance with the provisions of Sections 551.125 or 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have not been suspended by order of the Governor. The subject(s) to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown in this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. Call meeting to order, roll call, establishment of a quorum and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chris Morales, Board President

2. Invocation.

3. **OPEN FORUM: Comments from the public. Citizen Communications: (Limit of 3 minutes per speaker/group)** Public Audience: Public comments for this meeting will be held as follows: Members of the public, if you wish to comment before the Board you must sign in with designee by 6:15 p.m. on May 19, 2021 to give your name and topic you wish to comment on. Remember that the Board can only listen to the person presenting information and must not respond to any questions posed to the Board. Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not **deliberate or decide** regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting.

Ben Castillo, Attorney for EEISD

4. **RECOGNITIONS:**

- a. Recognition of Nurse's Week

5. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

- a. Overview of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund and ARP ESSER III

6. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

- a. Approval of previous Board Meeting(s) Minutes:

Sylvia Garza

1. Regular Board Meeting - 04/21/2021

Sylvia Garza

- b. Approval of Budget Amendments

Sylvia Garza

c. Discussion and approval on Payment of Current Bills - May 2021

Sylvia Garza

d. Discussion and approval of EEISD Financial Report - May 2021

Sylvia Garza

e. Approval of Overtime/Substitute Pay for Month of April 2021

Sylvia Garza

f. Discussion and approval of Extra Duty Pay analysis for April 2021

Sylvia Garza

g. Discussion and approval of Tax Collection Report - April 2021

Sylvia Garza

h. Approval of Out of District Travel (Federal/Local) Funding

Dr. Greg Rodriguez

i. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding MOU between Edcouch-Elsa ISD and Teach For America

Dr. Greg Rodriguez

j. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Hidalgo County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) and Edcouch-Elsa ISD

Pete Riojas

k. Approval of Inter-Local Agreement Extension between Hidalgo County Headstart and Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District (Edcouch Central Kitchen)

Dr. Greg Rodriguez

l. Approval of Esports Chess and Robotics clubs

Sandra Ochoa

m. Approval of Gifted and Talented identification at the secondary grades in Fine Arts

Sandra Ochoa

7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

a. Discussion and action to approve the nomination of local school board trustee for Region 1 Position A Three Year Term or Region 1 Position B One Year Term. Position A expires after Convention 2022 and Position B expires after Convention 2024.

Dr. Greg Rodriguez

A TASB Director represents his or her region on the Board, guiding the organization to ensure that the Association fulfills its mission to provide advocacy, visionary leadership, and high-quality services to you, our members. If your local school board would like to nominate a candidate, please follow the attached instructions, and complete and return the attached forms. **Nominations must be received by TASB no later than Wednesday, June 30, 2021.**

b. Request to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Edcouch-Elsa ISD and

United Migrant Opportunity Services Migrant & Seasonal Head Start Program (UMOS MSHS) 2021 - 2023.

Itza Flores

c. Discussion and possible action to select a vendor for the installation of fencing at the Fine Arts Building or go out for RFP's.

Sylvia Garza

d. Discussion and action on selecting Independent Auditor Services pursuant to RFQ 2021-017 for the 2020-2021 school year financial audit.

Sylvia Garza

e. Discussion and possible action to renew or authorize administration to solicit proposals for Employee paid voluntary insurance; Disability Insurance, Supplemental Cancer, Dental Insurance, Accident Insurance, Critical Illness, Vision, Hospital Indemnity, Life insurance, and Section 125 administration for the plan year 2021-2022.

Roger Garza, Valley Risk Consulting

f. Discussion and action to authorize superintendent to execute work authorization for engineer and or architect.

Ben Castillo, Attorney for EEISD

g. Discussion and action to approve the Employee Assistance Program.

Ben Castillo, Attorney for EEISD

8. **CLOSED SESSION:** The superintendent requests that the Board of Trustees convene in closed meeting as authorized by the provisions of the Open Meeting Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. This executive session is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section:

a. **551.074** for the purpose of discussing personnel, considering appointment, employment, resignation, retirement, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

1. Discussion of superintendent's recommend to non-renew term contract of certified educator.

2. Discussion regarding hiring an Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning.

b. Consultation with legal counsel regarding **a.)** pending or contemplated litigation **b.)** settlement offer; or **c.)** matter in which the duty of the attorney to Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code **(TX.Gov't. Code 551.071)**

Ben Castillo, Attorney for EEISD

1. Legal Update on Insurance Claims.

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9. **ACTION ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION:**

a. **551.074** Discussion and action regarding personnel, considering appointment, employment, resignation, retirement, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

1. Discussion and possible action on superintendent' recommendation to non-renew term contract of certified educator.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding hiring an Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning.

b. Discussion and action regarding consultation with legal counsel regarding **a.)** pending or contemplated litigation **b.)** settlement offer; or **c.)** matter in which the

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1. Consideration and Adoption of Notice of Public Meeting and Notice of Proposed Legal Services Contract.

2. Consideration and Adoption of Resolution approving Contingent Fee Legal Services Contract, including Findings Needed for Submission of Contingent Fee Legal Services Agreement and Request for Expedited Review by the Texas Attorney General.

Ben Castillo, Attorney for EEISD

3. Consideration and Approval of Contingent Fee Legal Services Agreement with O'Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo, P.C. and Raizner Slania, LLP.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

11. If during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Tex. Gov't. 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.

This notice was posted on the bulletin board at the School District Administration Building.

Dr. Greg Rodríguez, Superintendent

Date