



## 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, February 21, 2024 beginning at 6:30 PM** in the Administration Building Board Room, 920 W. Santa Rosa Avenue, Edcouch, Texas 78538 in Edcouch, Texas.

#### **AGENDA**

At least a quorum of the board will be participating in accordance with the provisions of Section 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 actions may be taken are listed below.

1. Call meeting to order, roll call, establishment of a quorum and Pledge of Allegiance.
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 email [comments@eesd.org](mailto:comments@eesd.org) by 6:00 p.m. on February 21, 2024 to give your name and topic you wish to comment on.

Ben Castillo, Attorney for EEISD

#### 4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

- a. Presentation and Welcome Event of First Canine Belonging to Edcouch-Elsa ISD "Bia"
- b. Presentation on Edcouch-Elsa High School Organizational Chart
- c. House Bill 3 Reading Goal Progress
- d. Monthly Walkthrough Data Report
- e. Special Education Services for Early Childhood Students
- f. Teacher Incentive Allotment Update

#### 5. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

##### a. **Approval of Board Meeting(s) Minutes:**

1. Public Hearing Meeting-January 17, 2024
2. Regular Board Meeting-January 17, 2024
3. Regular Board Meeting-February 10, 2024

##### b. **BUSINESS AND FINANCE:**

1. Approval of Budget Amendments
2. EEISD Financial Report-January 2024-Information Item
3. Approval of Expenditures over \$25,000
4. Discussion and approval of Tax Collection Report - December 2023

5. Approval of Payment Application #19 to E3 Entegral Solutions, Inc.
6. Approval to accept a donation of Canine "Bia" by the District
7. Request for approval to grant City of Elsa immediate right-of-entry authorization to conduct site surveys to prepare formal easement documents for the installation of bus shelters.
8. Approval of RFP 2023-014-Network Equipment, Infrastructure and Related Equipment & RFP 2023-015-Leased Lit Fiber Optic Services
9. Approval of Stipend to Designate Three Additional Employees to the Guardian Program
10. Approval of a \$7,000 stipend for K-9 Handler Cameron Powell for the 2023-2024 school year

c. **TEACHING AND LEARNING:**

1. Approval of Cardonex Master Scheduling System
2. 2024-2025 EEISD Academic Calendar Adoption
3. Approval of Interlocal Agreement with University of Texas Rio Grande Valley-Summer STEM 2 day Camp-Carlos F. Truan
4. Approval of Teach for America Professional Services Agreement
5. Renewal of the purchases of Raptor Emergency Management Suite Software, including Raptor Alert, Raptor Link, Drill Manager, and Raptor Accountability and Reunification. This cost will also include all professional learning services to support the implementation, adoption and usage of the Raptor Emergency Management Suite.

d. **STUDENT TRAVEL:**

1. Ratification of approval for Edcouch-Elsa Mariachi student Josiah Martinez and sponsors to San Antonio, Texas for the TMEA All State Clinic and Concert on February 7-10, 2024. The school sponsors include Marcos Garcia, Michael Sital and Velma Salas.
2. Request to approve travel for the Edcouch-Elsa High School Tennis team and sponsors to Laredo, Texas for the Laredo Border Olympics Tennis Tournament on February 22-24, 2024. The school sponsors include Hilario Prieto, Loreena Garza and Estella Sandoval.
3. Request to approve travel for the Edcouch-Elsa Mariachi students and sponsors to Seguin, Texas for the UIL State Competition on February 23-24, 2024. The school sponsors include Marcos Garcia, Michael Sital, Velma Salas-Garcia, Amanda Martinez, Dr. Luis Canales and Merary Nava.
4. Request to approve travel for the EEHS/rootED/Gear Up students and sponsors to Kingsville, Texas for the Texas A&M-Kingsville Tour on March 2, 2024. The school sponsors are Bianca Aguinaga, Cynthia Ramirez and Elijah Jones.
5. Request to approve travel for EEHS JROTC students and sponsors to San Antonio, Texas for a Senior trip to Six Flags Fiesta Texas on May 17, 2024. The school sponsor is SFC Narciso Martinez.
6. Request to approve travel for the Edcouch-Elsa Girls Powerlifting team and sponsors to Frisco, Texas for the Texas High School Women's Powerlifting State Championship on March 14, 2024. The school sponsors include Patrick Boutwell,

Christian Navarro, Teresa Gonzalez, Mollie Villarreal, Gisel Saucedo, Marina Martinez and Desi Robles.

7. Request to approve travel for the Edcouch-Elsa High School Boys Powerlifting team and sponsors to Abilene, Texas for the Texas High School Powerlifting Association 2024 State Championship on March 21-24, 2024. The school sponsors include Christian Navarro, Martin Marichalar, Xavier Zavala, Rene Duque, Julio Contreras, Desi Robles, Ricardo Estimbo and Patrick Boutwell.

8. Approval of travel for JFK Elementary Folkloric students and sponsors to San Antonio, Texas for a visit to The Alamo on May 17, 2024. The school sponsors include Dalia Hernandez and Delfina Rodriguez.

9. Request to approve travel for the EEHS Gold Brigade Dance team & sponsors to San Antonio, Texas for the Showtime International Fiesta Texas Competition on April 5-7, 2024. The school sponsors include Robert Larios and Melinda Rodriguez.

10. Request to approve travel for Carlos F. Truan Jr. High students and sponsors to Houston, Texas for a trip to NASA on May 11, 2024. The school sponsors include Dr. Darren Cole-Ocha, Maria Hilda Ayala, Mireya Delgado, Leydi Gil and Nora Silva.

11. Request to approve travel for the Edcouch-Elsa Special Athletes and sponsors to San Antonio, Texas for the 2024 Summer Games Track and Field Special Olympics on May 16-19, 2024. The school sponsors include Ashley Cruz, Jesus Flores, Celin Falcon, Pedro Leal and Kelly Aguinaga.

e. **STAFF TRAVEL:**

1. Request to approve travel for Veronica Loredo, Carolina Lopez, Melinda Gomez and Brenda Rodriguez to Grapevine, Texas for the Frogstreet Splash 2024 Conference on July 11-13, 2024.

2. Request to approve travel for JFK Principal San Juanita Tijerina to Round Rock, Texas for the TEPSA Conference on June 12-14, 2024.

3. Request to approve travel for Grace Baranowski to Austin, Texas for the 2024 Accountability Symposium Conference on March 24-25, 2024.

4. Request to approve travel for Executive Director of Finance and Operations Amanda L. Najar and Executive Director of Human Resources Dr. Antonio Layton Jr. to San Antonio, Texas for the US Prep Texas Strategic Staff Conference on March 26-28, 2024.

5. Request to approve travel for Mayra Padilla to Dallas, Texas for the Elevate Conference on June 9-11, 2024.

6. Request to approve travel for JRG Principal Norma Layton to Round Rock, Texas for the TEPSA Summer Conference on June 12-14, 2024.

7. Ratification of travel for Raul Gonzalez on (1/23/2024) to San Antonio Lackland Airforce Base to select canine for the school district. Ratification of travel on (01/30/2024) for Raul Gonzalez and Cameron Powell to San Antonio Lackland Airforce Base to pick up canine for the school district.

8. Request to approve travel for Dr. Marisol Rocha to Houston, Texas for The Future Is The Focus Convening on March 4-5, 2024.

9. Request to approve travel for the EEISD Child Nutrition Department to San Antonio, Texas for the TASN Annual Conference on June 28-July 2, 2024. The staff

includes Cynthia S. Flores, Maria A. Solis, Sylvia Hovey, Maria A. Cervantes, Noelia Hernandez, Candice Gonzalez, Elena Garza, Enedelia Rodriguez, Erica Borrego, Anna Martinez, Ruth Ruiz, Jennifer Garza and Juana M. Martinez.

10. Approval of travel for PFC David Ybarra Principal Maricela Olivarez to Round Rock, Texas for the TEPSA Conference on June 11-14, 2024.

11. Request to approve travel for CFT Principal Dr. Darren Cole-Ochoa and Assistant Principal Abel Salinas to Austin, Texas for the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP) on June 12-14, 2024.

12. Request to approve travel for CFT Assistant Principal Gabriela Palomo to Round Rock, Texas for the Texas Elementary Principals & Supervisors Association (TEPSA) on June 12-14, 2024.

13. Consider approval for twelve ACE staff to attend the Department of Education 21st CCLC Summer Symposium in San Francisco, California on July 31-August 1, 2024. The staff includes Alberto Trevino, Belinda Guajardo, Pedro Martinez, Bianca Gonzales, Rebecca Borjas, Santiago Cantu, Leydi Gil, Xavier Zavala, Rosalinda Reyes, Norma Martinez, Criselda Reyes and Sandy Ramirez.

14. Consider approval for ACE staff to attend the State ACE Conference known as OSTI-CON on May 29-31, 2024 in San Antonio, Texas. ACE staff includes Alberto Trevino, Belinda Guajardo, Pedro Martinez, Bianca Gonzales, Rebecca Borjas, Santiago Cantu, Leydi Gil, Xavier Zavala, Rosalinda Reyes, Norma Martinez, Criselda Reyes, Sandy Ramirez and 14 ACE Enrichment Hourly Instructors TBD

15. Consider approval of ACE Archery teams to participate in the 2024 NASP Archery Competition in Belton, Texas on March 26, 2024. Qualified teams include JFK Elementary, Santiago Garcia Elementary, David Ybarra Arts Academy, Carlos F. Truan Junior High and E-E High School.

16. Request to approve travel for Denise Franco to Round Rock, Texas for the TEPSA Summer Conference on June 12-14, 2024.

**6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:**

a. Discussion and Action to approve the MOU between Edcouch-Elsa ISD and the Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley, Inc.

b. Discussion and Action to approve the MOU between Edcouch-Elsa ISD and La Villa ISD, for the use of the EEISD Fine Arts Building as a reunification site for La Villa ISD.

**7. 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.

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)**

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**8. 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.

b. Discussion and action regarding 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**)

**9. ADJOURNMENT:**