

MERCEDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Thursday, February 23, 2017, 6:00 PM

The Board of Trustees will meet in the Administration Building located at 206 West Sixth Street, Mercedes, Texas to deliberate on the following matters:

6:00 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING ON TEXAS ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE REPORT

Public Hearing Rules:

1. Any taxpayer may participate in the public hearing.
2. Taxpayers who desire to address the Board of Trustees on the Texas Academic Performance report should give their names to Martha Saenz, Administrative Assistant.
3. The Board of Trustees and employees may not respond to comments made by taxpayers.
4. Taxpayer comments must be limited to the Texas Academic Performance/report based on MISD Board Policy BED(Local)

Agenda:

- A. Call the Public Hearing meeting to order
- B. Academic Excellence Indicator System
 1. Report to the Board of Trustees
- C. Public comments on the Report
- E. Adjournment

To follow at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

Presentation of Colors by Mercedes JROTC

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by Mr. Cardenas

INVOCATION by Mr. Pequeño

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Student Recognition
- B. Presentations
 1. Mercedes FCCLA
 2. Mercedes ISD DAEP
 3. Mercedes ISD Transportation Department

OPEN FORUM

At regular meetings the Board shall allot a maximum of 30 minutes to hear persons who

desire to make comments to the Board. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. Persons addressing the Board shall refrain from commenting directly on any individual employee or public official by name but may refer to a specific employment area, job title, or the Board as a whole. Any attack on an individual shall be considered as a disruption of the meeting. Presentations shall be informative and shall pertain to school-related issues. Should the speaker drift from the stated subject or become disruptive or abusive, he or she shall be given one warning; if a second warning is required, the speaker shall forfeit the remaining time allotment. No presentation shall exceed five minutes. Delegations of more than five persons shall appoint one person to present their views before the Board. [MISD Board Policy BED(Local)]

ACTION AGENDA

A. Business Office

1. Report and discussion on Federal Grants
2. Discussion and possible action to solicit request for qualifications for insurance agent/broker services

B. Curriculum & Instruction

1. Discussion and possible action on 2016-2017 Instructional Materials Allotment Team
2. Discussion and possible action on District-Wide Instructional Material Committee for Proclamation 2017

C. Governance

1. Discussion and possible action on naming the following educational facility as per CW(LOCAL) Policy: Chacon Middle School Gym
2. Discussion and possible action on endorsement of candidate for TASB Board of Directors, Region 1, Position A

D. Superintendent

1. Discussion and possible action on approval of MOU between the LRGV Live Stock Show and Mercedes ISD

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Curriculum & Instruction

1. Discussion and possible action on consulting agreements under \$10,000
2. Discussion and possible action on consulting agreements above \$10,000

B. Governance

1. Discussion and possible action on approval of Minutes for the following meeting:
 - a. Regular Board Meeting January 17, 2017
 - b. Special Board Meeting Workshop (team building) 1-19-2017
 - c. Special Board Meeting 2-2-17
 - d. Special Board Meeting 2-15-17
2. Discussion and possible action on TASB Policy Update 107 [First Reading] affecting local policies –
CDC(LOCAL): OTHER REVENUES - GIFTS AND SOLICITATIONS
CJ(LOCAL): CONTRACTED SERVICES
DC(LOCAL): EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES
DEE(LOCAL): COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS - EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT
DFAA(LOCAL): PROBATIONARY CONTRACTS - SUSPENSION/TERMINATION DURING CONTRACT

DFBA(LOCAL): TERM CONTRACTS - SUSPENSION/TERMINATION DURING CONTRACT

DFCA(LOCAL): CONTINUING CONTRACTS - SUSPENSION/TERMINATION

FEA(LOCAL): ATTENDANCE - COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

FFA(LOCAL): STUDENT WELFARE - WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES

FJ(LOCAL): STUDENT FUNDRAISING

GE(LOCAL): RELATIONS WITH PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

3. Discussion and possible action on renewal of memberships:
 - a. 2017 - Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
 - b. 2016-2017 Region One School Board Association

C. Business Office

1. Discussion and possible action on Check Payments for January 2017
2. Discussion and possible action on Tax Collections Report for December 2016
3. Discussion and possible action Revenue & Expenditure Report for December 2016
4. Discussion and possible action on Investment Report ending December 31, 2016
5. Discussion and possible action on Renewal of the Hotline Services Agreement with Lighthouse Services, Inc.
6. Discussion and possible action on the selection of a vendor for the Digital Fixed Planetarium System RFP # 121416-297
7. Discussion and Possible Action on the Renewal of Vendors for Uniform, Dust Mop, and Floor Mat Lease and Rental Services

D. Child Nutrition Services

1. Discussion and possible action on CNS - Surplus Equipment for Auction

E. Facilities

1. Discussion and possible action on Requests for Use of Facilities/Equipment

F. Federal Programs

1. Discussion and possible action on approval of Consulting Agreement for an External Evaluator for the ACE program

G. Human Resource

1. Discussion and possible action on agreement between Mercedes ISD and Teach for America Inc. for recruiting and training highly qualified teachers

H. Safe Schools

1. Discussion and possible action on Student out of Valley Trip Requests
2. Discussion and possible action on 2016-2017 Student Transfer Requests

I. Superintendent

1. Report and discussion on Attendance/Enrollment Report
2. Discussion and possible action on Statement of Impact for the following charter school
 - a. Horizon Montessori Public Schools
3. Discussion and possible action on approving Employee Out of State travel
4. Report and discussion on Mercedes ISD Auction results
5. Discussion and possible action on approving consulting agreement of Sylvia Carlin
6. Discussion and possible action on Region One GEAR UP Partnership Letter of Commitment for SY 2017-2018

EXECUTIVE SESSION

If, during the course of this meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Sub-chapters D and E. The Board may consult with legal counsel on a matter discussed in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

- A. Personnel, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code and Attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code
 - 1. Resignations, terminations, appointments, evaluations, reassignments, duties, and discipline of Professional, Paraprofessional and Non-Contract Employees; Teacher Substitutes and Substitutes for Maintenance, Transportation, and Cafeteria Department
- B. Litigation update regarding C-0422-12-B; Topcon, Inc. vs. Mercedes Independent School District, et al; Discussion and consideration of settlement agreement
- C. Discussion of Superintendent's Duties and Responsibilities

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

- A. Discussion and possible action on items discussed in Executive Session

INFORMATION AGENDA

(5 minutes maximum for all items, inclusive)

Reminder...

Regular March Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Thursday, March 23, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

(May be reconvened, if necessary)

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This notice has been publicly posted at the administrative offices of the Mercedes Independent School District, 206 West Sixth Street, Hidalgo County, Mercedes, Texas, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the above mentioned meeting, as required by the following sections of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.084. During the regular school year, this notice is also posted in all schools in the District. The school district also posts its board meeting agendas on the District's internet web site (www.misdtx.net)