NOTICE OF JULY BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REFUGIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Thursday, July 25, 2024
5:30 PM

A July Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Refugio Independent School District will be held on Thursday, July 25, 2024, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Administration Building - Distance Learning Center, 212 West Vance St., Refugio, TX 78377.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows: *(Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this notice.)*

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**
5. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
   - 5.A. Campus Reports
     - 5.A.a. Refugio Elementary School
     - 5.A.b. Refugio Jr. High School
     - 5.A.c. Refugio High School
   - 5.B. District Reports
     - 5.B.a. 2024-2025 Handbooks
       - 5.B.a.1. Athletics
       - 5.B.a.2. Band
       - 5.B.a.3. Cheer
       - 5.B.a.4. UIL Academics
       - 5.B.a.5. Employee
       - 5.B.a.6. Student
       - 5.B.a.7. Senior Guide
       - 5.B.a.8. Course Catalog
       - 5.B.a.9. Graduation Handbook
     - 5.B.b. English as a Second Language Operating Guidelines
     - 5.B.c. State Compensatory Education - Program Description Manual and Local Procedures
     - 5.B.d. Refugio ISD Strategic Plan 2024-2029
     - 5.B.e. Academics
       - 5.B.e.1. Instructional Framework Presentation
     - 5.B.f. Financials
       - 5.B.f.1. Budget Status
       - 5.B.f.2. Payment of bills
       - 5.B.f.3. Statement of Account
       - 5.B.f.4. Certified Values and Maximum Compressed Tax Rate for 2024-2025
   - 5.C. Operations
   - 5.D. School Safety and Security
   - 5.E. Mental Health Specialist Report
   - 5.F. 2024-2025 Transfer Students
6. **BOARD ADMINISTRATION**
   - 6.A. Academic Convocation/Back to School Inservice - Monday, August 12, 2024
   - 6.B. Nepotism and pecuniary interest provisions
   - 6.C. August Board Meeting - Thursday, August 29, 2024
   - 6.D. 2024-2025 Board Meeting Schedule

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**
   7.A. Minutes from Regular Board Meeting -June 27, 2024
   7.B. Approve the Refugio ISD Wellness Policy for the 2024-2025 school year.
   7.C. Approve the Refugio ISD Concussion Oversight Team for 2024-2025.
   7.D. Approve the Gifted and Talented Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.
   7.E. Honor Courses identified for UIL No-Pass No-Play exemption.
   7.F. Adopt resolution recognizing the Refugio County, Texas 4-H Organization as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities.
   7.G. Approve Adjunct Faculty Agreement naming Boogie Barber, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service as adjunct faculty member of the Refugio ISD.
   7.H. Refugio ISD Monthly Investment Position
   7.I. Designate Liz Kelley, Refugio County Tax Assessor, to commutate the effective and/or roll back tax rate.
   7.J. Approve the Resolution of the Board of Trustees for Refugio ISD self-certifying an increase of micro-purchase threshold for federally funded purchases.
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
   8.A. Accept donations and/or amend the 2023-2024 budget.
   8.B. Consider and approve purchase of Region 3 contract services.
   8.C. Consider and approve the Stipend and Extra Duty pay schedule for the 2024-2025 school year.
   8.D. Consider and approve the District's contribution of $355 towards the employee benefit package for the 2024-2025 school year.
   8.E. Approve participation in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program and set breakfast and lunch prices for the 2024-2025 school year.
   8.F. Consider and approve tuition charge for non-eligible PreK students for the 2024-2025 school year.
   8.G. Consider and approve the Student Code of Conduct for the 2024-2025 school year.
   8.H. Consider and approve the purchase of a commercial dishwasher and two garbage disposals from PASCO Brokerage, Inc. for the amount of $62,762.
9. **CLOSED SESSION - In accordance with Texas Government Code Sections 551.074, 551.075**
   9.A. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public office or employee or to hear complaints against an officer or employee.
   9.B. To confer with employees of the school district to receive information or to ask questions.
   9.C. Employment of probationary contract employee (s) for the 2024-2025 school year.
   9.D. Employment of Non-Chapter 21/Chapter 21 probationary contract employee (s) of the GSEC Special Education Cooperative for the 2024-2025 school year.
10. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**
   10.A. Take any action necessary resulting from discussions held during closed session.
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11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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If, during the course of the 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, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). 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. [See BEC (LEGAL)]

Texas Government Code Section:

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551.084	Excluding witnesses from a hearing.
551.087	Discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the Board has received from a business prospect that the Board seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the District and with which the Board is conducting economic development negotiations, or deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to such a business prospect.
551.089	Deliberate 1. Security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; 2. Network security information as described by Government Code 2059.055(b); or 3. The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices.

Education Code Section:

39.030(a)	Discuss or adopt individual assessment instruments or assessment instrument items.

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on July 24, 2024, at 3:45 PM

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Melissa Gonzales, Superintendent
(for the Board of Trustees)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT
REFUGIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

(To call meeting to order)

Board President: I call this meeting of the Refugio Independent School District to order. Let the record show that a quorum of board members is present, that this meeting has been duly called, and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

(To conduct a closed session)

Board President: This board will now conduct a closed session pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act:

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