

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Fabens ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fabens ISD was held Wednesday, May 15, 2019, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Central Office, Board Room, 821 NE G Avenue, Fabens, TX 79838.

Members Present:	Adan Escobar	Orlando Flores
	Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia	Ben Morales
	Greg Spence	
Members Absent:	Sylvia Gonzales	Rey Sepulveda
Administrators Present:	Dr. Veronica Vijil	Ms. Michele Gonzalez
	Ms. Yvonne Coupland	Mr. Jacob Belshe
	Mr. Ruben Carrillo	Mr. Mario Dominguez
	Ms. Anne Esparza	Dr. Sam Hogue
	Dr. Joe Keith	Mr. Alex Navarro
	Mr. Stacey Nunez	Mr. Jorge Saenz
	Maria T. Rodriguez	

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mr. Orlando Flores, Board President. At Roll Call all members were in attendance except Mr. Rey Sepulveda (medical reasons) and Ms. Sylvia Gonzales. Mr. Greg Spence led everyone in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Superintendent's Report

A. Report of Finances

Under this portion of the item no Board member had questions at the meeting.

B. Bragging Rights - Fabens High School Athletic Scholarship College Signing

1. Victoria Nicole Cruz
2. Destiny Liana Escobar
3. Jonah Kakeb Samuel Martinez
4. Cassidy Marie Sanchez

Athletic Director, Jacob Belshe, highlighted the above senior athletes that had signed for scholarships with intention of playing different sports:

Victoria Cruz – Basketball Destiny Escobar – Track

Jonah Martinez – Football

Cassidy Sanchez – Volleyball

He highlighted their accomplishments and had each athlete present come up and be congratulated by the Board and community present.

C. Employee of the Year

Dr. Vijil informed everyone present that this was a new recognition and that the committee had selected Mr. Michael Perez as our 1st Employee of the Year from the nominees submitted. Mr. Perez was honored at our Top Cats celebration on Friday, May 10, 2019.

D. The Mexican American School Boards Association 2019 Scholarship Winner - Vania Chavarria

Vania Chavarria, Cotton Valley Early College High School Senior, was the 2019 MASBA scholarship winner. She was recognized by the Board and presented with the MASBA \$250.00 scholarship check and certificate.

E. Special Olympians

Mr. Jorge Saenz, Special Education Director, presented a Power Point presentation to the Board and community present highlighting our Special Olympians. The Special Olympians present were called to be congratulated by the Board and highlighted with each ones' accomplishments during the Special Olympics.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 13, 2019

B. Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 17, 2019

C. Minutes of the Special Meeting, April 29, 2019

D. Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification

After the item was opened by Dr. Vijil, Mr. Greg Spence motioned and Mr. Adan Escobar seconded to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Motion Carried 5 - 0

4. Approval of Council on Regional Economic Expansion and Educational Development (CREEED) Memorandum of Understanding

A. Accelerator Certification Scholarship for ISD Teachers

B. Texas Teacher Certification through an Alternative Certification Program

Ms. Michele Gonzalez opened the item and provided a short explanation of the CREEED Memorandum of Understanding and asked if any of the Board members had questions regarding the information provided to them in their packets. Mrs. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia motioned and Mr. Ben Morales seconded to approve the CREEED Memorandum of Understanding as presented.

Motion Carried 5 - 0

5. Presentation of Fabens High School and Cotton Valley Early College High School Graduation Plan

Both Mr. Ruben Carrillo, FHS Principal, and Dr. Sam Hogue, Cotton Valley Early College High School Principal, presented the item. Each one had a Power Point presentation highlighting the Class of 2019; from SAT performances, STEM cohort information, scholarship data to attainment of several goals for the early college. Graduation ceremony information was given to the Board in preparation for Friday, May 24, 2019 ceremony.

6. Review and Recommendation of Changes to Fabens ISD Board Policy DC (Local) Employment Practices

This item was opened by Dr. Vijil. She provided the reason this policy was brought to the Board. She explained how policy DC allowed her to hire new teachers but not any other contractual employees. She would be asking Kathy London, TASB Policy Consultant to revise policy similar to Ysleta ISD for the Board to review which would allow her to hire all new employees. After answering a few questions, Mr. Greg Spence motioned and Mr. Adan Escobar seconded to submit local policy DC to TASB policy consultant Kathy London for revisions to give Dr. Vijil hiring authority for any position.

Motion Carried 5 - 0

7. Review and Approval of Changes to Fabens ISD Board Policy DCE (Local): Employment Practices - Other Types of Contracts

Dr. Vijil opened the item and explained to the Board that she wished to add Director of Maintenance and Operation to the list under the Non-Chapter 21 contracts. Mr. Ben Morales motioned and Mrs. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia seconded to approve the addition.

Motion Carried 3 - 2

Voting Against: G. Spence
and A. Escobar

8. Communications and Visitors

Under this item, Ms. Yvonne Coupland, the district's new Chief Business Officer, addressed the Board and staff present. She wished to thank the Board for the opportunity given to her and explained that she had an open door policy welcoming anyone to stop by and visit with her.

9. Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Greg Spence and seconded by Mr. Adan Escobar to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 PM.

Motion Carried 5 - 0

Signature

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06/19/2019

Date