

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Fabens ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fabens ISD was held Wednesday, April 1, 2020, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Central Office Board Room and via teleconference, 821 NE G Avenue, Fabens, TX 79838.

Members Present: Orlando Flores Sylvia Gonzales
Rey Sepulveda

**Members Present
via Teleconference:** Adan Escobar Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia
Benjamin Morales Greg Spence

Members Absent: None

Administrators Present: Dr. Veronica Vijil Michele Gonzalez
Yvonne Coupland Ruben Carrillo

Maria T. Rodriguez

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance 6:30 - 6:35

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mr. Orlando Flores, Board President. Mr. Flores had all members call out who were attending via the teleconference. All members were in attendance. Ms. Gonzales led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Communication and Visitors

A. To Submit Questions - please email to: boardmeeting@fabensisd.net

**B. To listen live please dial: 1-458-888-1094 PIN: 917 931 825#
OR**

C. Any electronic device on Google Hangouts Meet: meet.google.com/utc-fwkd-rxs

Under this portion of the meeting, Ms. Sylvia Gonzales addressed the Board as a community member regarding the show of support by districts across Texas by lighting their fields for one hour each night. She hoped Fabens ISD would join in and also light up the football or baseball field.

3. Consent Agenda 6:35 – 6:38 PM

A. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes, February 19, 2020

B. Fabens ISD Monthly Financials

C. Approval of ARMKO Industries, Inc. Agreement for Consulting Services for Hail and Storm Events

D. End User Agreement Wireless & VOIP Telecommunications Equipment & Services H-GAC Contract #CW10 - 14

E. Fabens ISD 2019 - 2020 Budget Amendment

F. Fabens ISD Food Service National Restaurant Supply Purchases

G. Fabens ISD Proclamation 2020 Textbook Adoption

Dr. Vijil opened the item and requested withdrawal of Item #3D. The phones in the contract were no longer available. Mr. Adan Escobar motioned and Ms. Gallo-Aviita seconded to approve the consent agenda items with removal of Item #3D as presented.

Motion Carried 7 - 0

4. Lone Star Governance

7:23 – 7:36 PM

A. Student Outcomes

1. Grade Span

7:23 – 7:30 PM

Dr. Vijil opened the item and explained the information provided to the Board in the packets. Dr. Vijil stated that due to the COVID -19 situation and several unknown factors including cost, she wished to postpone the item but continue researching into obtaining one campus ID number in PEIMS. A motion was made by Mr. Ben Morales and seconded by Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia to postpone but continue researching into obtaining one campus ID number.

Motion Carried 7 - 0

2. Student Progress Goal Measures

7:30 – 7:36 PM

Ms. Michele Gonzalez, Assistant Superintendent, reviewed information in the board members packet and explained the proposed goal progress measures. A Motion was made by Ms. Sylvia Gonzales and seconded by Mr. Ben Morales to approve goals 1 and 2 for the early childhood literacy and math goal progress measures as presented.

Motion Carried 7 - 0

5. Board of Trustees Business

A. Public Hearing - Fabens ISD FIRST Accreditation - Warned Rating

7:36 – 7:45 PM

Ms. Yvonne Coupland, Chief Business Officer, presented the item and provided the history of the district's rating. She explained the steps the district has taken and informed the Board that this was a public meeting. She read the letter which was sent to TEA and posted for the community. After her presentation she asked if anyone including the community had any questions to please send an email or unmute their telephones. No questions were received during the presentation.

8:11 – 8:16 PM

During a later item, a question was received and answered by Ms. Yvonne Coupland regarding the “penny swap”, increased fund balance and the technology purchase approved during the Emergency Meeting on March 18, 2020.

**B. Discussion and Possible Action on April 2020 Regular Board Meeting Date
7:45 – 7:48 PM**

After a short discussion on April 2020 regular meeting, Mr. Greg Spence motioned and Mr. Adan Escobar seconded to move the regular meeting to Wednesday, April 22, 2020.

Motion Carried 7 - 0

**C. Fabens ISD 2020 - 2021 Academic Calendar
7:49 – 8:05 PM**

Dr. Vijil presented the item and provided information to the Board regarding the academic calendar for the 2020 – 2021 school year. After the discussion, Mr. Greg Spence motioned and Mr. Adan Escobar seconded to approve Calendar Option 1 as the 2020 -2021 academic calendar.

Motion Carried 5 – 2
Voting Against: S. Gonzales
and R. Sepulveda

**D. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution of the Board Regarding
Delegation to Superintendent for Waivers
8:06 – 8:10 PM**

Dr. Vijil opened the item and read the resolution sent to the Board for review. After reading the resolution, Ms. Gallo-Avitia motioned and Mr. Sepulveda seconded to approve the resolution authorizing the Superintendent to pursue any necessary and available waivers from TEA immediately during the school closure due to COVID-19.

Motion Carried 7 - 0

**E. Update on Fabens ISD Wildcat Den by Venegas Engineering Management and
Construction (VEMAC)
6:44 – 7:23 PM**

Dr. Vijil opened the item and introduced Mr. Robert Martinez from VEMAC who provided the Board an update on the Wildcat Den.

**F. Discussion and Possible Approval of Venegas Engineering Management and
Construction Donation per Fabens ISD Board Policy CDC (Legal) - Other
Revenues - Gifts and Solicitations
6:44 – 7:23 PM**

After the discussion between Items #5E-F Mr. Rey Sepulveda motioned and Ms. Gallo-Avitia seconded to hold off on approving a donation letter to VEMAC pending new details and structural analysis from architects GA Architecture, Inc.

Motion Carried 7 - 0

G. Discussion and Possible Action on Fabens ISD Superintendent's Employment Contract

8:16 – 8:20 PM

Motion made by Mr. Ben Morales and seconded by Mr. Greg Spence to table item for a future date.

Motion Carried 4 - 3

Voting Against: O. Flores, R. Sepulveda
and R. Gallo-Avitia

H. Discussion and Possible Action on Fabens ISD Superintendent's Salary Increase
8:20 – 8:22

Motion made by Mr. Ben Morales and seconded by Mr. Adan Escobar to table item for a future date.

Motion Carried 5 - 2

Voting Against:
O. Flores and R. Gallo-Avitia

Before adjourning, Mr. Sepulveda asked for clarification by TEA appointed monitor, Dr. Coronado regarding the process of taking items into Executive Session during a teleconference meeting.

6. Adjourn

8:23 – 8:24 PM

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Sylvia Gonzales and seconded by Mr. Ben Morales to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 PM.

Motion Carried 7 - 0

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