

FABENS ISD BOARD BOOK

**SPECIAL
BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY MAY 28, 2021
5:30 PM**



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**Notice of Special Meeting
Board of Trustees
Friday, May 28, 2021**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Friday, May 28, 2021, beginning at 5:30 PM, in the 821 NE G Avenue - Central Office Board Room - Fabens, TX, 821 NE G AVENUE, P O BOX 697, FABENS, TX 79838.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. For more information about public comment, see Policy BED. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 Coronavirus, this meeting will be conducted by video conference or telephone call. At least a quorum of the Board will be participating by video conference and/or telephone call in accordance with the provisions of Sections 551.125 or 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have been suspended by the Order of the Governor.

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| 1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance and Fabens ISD Vision | 3 |
| 2. Communication and Visitors | 4 |
| A. Public comments related to this meeting or persons who desire to address the board during Communication and Visitors must comply with the following procedures; visit the link: https://rb.gy/k1sgj2 to submit your form no later than one (1) hour prior to this regular meeting. Paper forms of the requested information may be obtained at Fabens ISD Central Office. The content of your comments cannot exceed three (3) minutes. | |
| B. Please click the link below to join the webinar: https://rb.gy/c6nte0 or at www.fabensisd.net on Fabens ISD Announcement | |
| 3. Board of Trustees Business | 5 |
| A. Discussion and Possible Action on Implementation of Fabens ISD Board Policy EIC - Academic Achievement - Class Ranking | |
| 4. Adjourn | 8 |

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, Texas 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 TASB Policy BEC(LEGAL)]

Tuesday, May 25, 2021

For the Board of Trustees

**FABENS I.S.D.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Date: 05/28/2021 Presented By: Board President
Subject: Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance Related Page(s) N/A

Action

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
CALL to ORDER, ROLL CALL,
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and
FABENS ISD VISION STATEMENT**

The May 28, 2021 Special Meeting is called to order at _____.
Let the minutes show that:

1) all members are in attendance

OR

2) _____ is (are) not in attendance.

Reason: ☐ Illness ☐ Family Emergency
 ☐ Out of Town ☐ Other _____

_____(name) will lead us in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance

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VISION STATEMENT:

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Pledge of Allegiance

**I pledge allegiance to the flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic
for which it stands,
one Nation under God,
indivisible, with liberty
and justice for all.**

*The "Pledge of Allegiance"
was originally written by
Francis Bellamy in 1892.*

Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag



Honor the Texas Flag;
I pledge allegiance
to thee, Texas,
one state under God,
one and indivisible.



FABENS ISD VISION STATEMENT

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**FABENS ISD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**COMMUNICATION AND VISITORS
Board Agenda Item**

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| TITLE | Communication & Visitors | Date Requested | 05/28/2021 |
| Requested By: | N/A | Approximate Time | Up to 15 minutes |
| Division Approval: | N/A | Action Needed by: | N/A |
| Action Requested: | N/A | Information Only: | Yes |
| People Participating In Presentation: | Community | Who Has Been Involved: | N/A |
| How Will It Benefit the District's Mission/Goals? | | How Will Request Be Financed? | |
| | | Cost to District: | |

This meeting is being conducted by audio conference in accordance with the governance authorization concerning suspension of certain open meeting law requirements for the COVID-19 disaster.

As we would at any in-person meeting, members of the public who have followed the instructions on the meeting notice for registering to speak during the public comment portion will be recognized. If the speaker submitted written comments to the email provided in advance, the comments will be read into record. If you would like to provide comment at a future meeting conducted via teleconference, please follow the instructions on the meeting notice.

**FABENS ISD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES BUSINESS
Board Agenda Item**

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| TITLE | Discussion and Possible Action of Implementation of Fabens ISD Board Policy EIC (Local) Academic Achievement - Class Ranking | Date Requested | 05/28/2021 |
| Requested By: | Dr. Veronica Vijil | Approximate Time | 20 minutes |
| Division Approval: | | Action Needed: | Yes |
| Action Requested: | Administration recommends approval of EIC implementation with local practices for the 2021 and 2022 graduating classes as presented | Information Only: | No |
| People Participating In Presentation: | Dr. Vijil | Who Has Been Involved: | Mr. Prado |
| How Will It Benefit the District's Mission/Goals? | | How Will Request Be Financed? | |
| | | Cost to District: | |

**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
CLASS RANKING**

**EIC
(LOCAL)**

**Consistent
Application for
Graduating Class**

The District shall apply the same class rank calculation method and rules for local graduation honors for all students in a graduating class, regardless of the school year in which a student first earned high school credit.

Calculation

The District shall include in the calculation of class rank semester grades earned in high school credit courses taken at any grade level, except as excluded in this policy.

The calculation shall include failing grades.

Exclusions

The calculation of class rank shall exclude grades earned in summer school for credit recovery or in a local credit course. In addition, the calculation of class rank shall exclude grades earned in any course for which the content has been modified by a student's admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee in relation to the applicable essential knowledge and skills, as reflected in the student's individualized education program (IEP).

**Weighted Grade
System**

In accordance with the provisions of this policy, the District shall give extra weight to each semester grade of at least 75 in eligible Advanced Placement (AP), dual credit, and Pre-AP courses.

All other eligible courses shall be categorized and weighted as Regular courses.

**Weighted Numerical
Grade Average**

The District shall assign weights to semester grades and shall calculate a weighted numerical grade average in accordance with the following:

| Category | Weight |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| AP and dual credit courses | plus 10 points |
| Pre-AP courses | plus 5 points |
| Regular courses | plus 0 points |
| Any semester grade below 75 | plus 0 points |

The District shall record unweighted numerical grades on student transcripts.

Transferred Grades

When a student transfers semester grades for courses that would be eligible under the Regular category and the District has accepted the credit, the District shall include the grades in the calculation of class rank.

**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
CLASS RANKING**

**EIC
(LOCAL)**

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| | <p>When a student transfers grades of at least 75 for courses that would be eligible to receive additional weight under the District's weighted grade system, the District shall assign weight to those grades based on the categories and grade weight system used by the District.</p> |
| Local Graduation Honors | <p>For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank in accordance with this policy and administrative regulations at the end of the spring semester of the senior year.</p> <p>For the purpose of applications to institutions of higher education, the District shall also calculate class rank as required by state law. The District's eligibility criteria for local graduation honors shall apply only for local recognitions and shall not restrict class rank for the purpose of automatic admission under state law. [See EIC(LEGAL)]</p> |
| Valedictorian and Salutatorian | <p>The valedictorian and salutatorian shall be the eligible students with the highest and second highest rank, respectively. To be eligible for such recognition, a student must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Have been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the two school years immediately preceding graduation; and2. Have completed the foundation program with the distinguished level of achievement. |
| Ties | <p>In case of a tie in weighted numerical grade averages after calculation to the fourth decimal place, the District shall recognize all students involved in the tie as sharing the honor and title.</p> |
| Highest-Ranking Graduate | <p>The student meeting the local eligibility criteria for recognition as the valedictorian shall also be considered the highest-ranking graduate for purposes of receiving the honor graduate certificate from the state of Texas.</p> |
| Honor Graduates | <p>The District shall recognize as an honor graduate each student who:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Has earned a cumulative weighted numerical grade average of at least 90;2. Has been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the two school years immediately preceding graduation; and3. Has completed the foundation program with the distinguished level of achievement. |

**FABENS ISD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Date: 05/28/2021 Presented By: Presiding Officer
Subject: Adjourn Related Page(s) N/A

Action

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
ADJOURN**

If there is no further business the meeting is adjourned at _____ p.m.

Motion Made by: _____

Second by: _____