

**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 18, 2022, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Central Office, Board Room, 821 NE G Avenue, Fabens, TX 79838.

Members Present:	Adan Escobar Sylvia Gonzales Greg Spence	Orlando Flores Benjamin Morales
Members Absent:	Viola Hernandez	Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia
Administrators Present:	Dr. Veronica Vijil Mr. Martin Torres Mr. Michael Perez	Ms. Michele Gonzalez Ms. Debbie Betancourt
	Maria T. Rodriguez	

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance – 6:31 – 6:32 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM by Mr. Benjamin Morales, Board President. All members were present except Ms. Viola Hernandez and Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia. The Pledge of Allegiance, Fabens ISD Mission and Vision statements were recited.

2. Communication and Visitors – 6:32 – 6:42 PM

Under this portion of the meeting, the following community members addressed the Board:

Cynthia Pacheco, FHS Art Teacher, addressed the Board on the highlights the program has had during the school year. Students who excelled in the Visual Scholastic Event were highlighted and recognized by the Board. Artwork was presented to the Board to be displayed at future board meetings.

Ms. Angela Surratt, Local Precinct Republican Chair and Ms. Lily Terrazas, Local Precinct Democratic Chair addressed the Board regarding the condition of the parking lot at the Rio Valle Woman's Club facility which is currently used for Election Day voting. With changes the El Paso County is making to some of its facilities: including the Rogelio Sanchez Facility in Fabens, the El Paso Elections Department will now also be using the Rio Valle Woman's Club for early voting.

3. District Employees and Officers – 6:42 – 6:43 PM

A. 2021 - 2022 New Hires

Under this portion of the meeting, Ms. Debbie Betancourt, Human Resources Director, recognized our two newest hires; Mr. Raul Ugarte, Transportation and Operations Supervisor and Mr. Gerardo Ortiz, IT Field Specialist.

4. Superintendent's Report – 6:43 – 7:12 PM

A. Updates

1. Special Projects Update

Mr. David Ayala presented the item and updated the Board on the status of the projects listed with the money allocated from the General Fund Balance: the structural crack, 10 student bathrooms, living skills classroom and student parking lot at FHS. He stated that Fabens ISD had contacted both TEA and Region 19 regarding the process for the projects and that the time frame for the completion of the projections was Summer 2022. The Board had questions from Mr. Ayala regarding progress made.

B. Bragging Rights

1. Fabens High School / Fabens Middle School NJROTC Program Highlights

Captain Michael Hertel, NJROTC instructor, provided an update on the NJROTC program. He stated that Fabens ISD is one of seven (7) districts in Texas with a middle school program. He announced that the unit had received an "Outstanding Rating" on their recent inspection. He also recognized the unit for receiving the 24th ranking in the National Academic Contest out of 1578 units nationwide. Students present were recognized by the Board and community present.

2. Migrant Scholarship Recipient - Keila Hernandez

Dr. April Galaviz, Federal Programs Director, presented the item and recognized Migrant student, Keila Hernandez, for her achievements and award to New Mexico State University. Her mother was present to receive a gift on her behalf.

3. Fabens High School EPCC Graduates - Associates Degree

Mr. Edgar Rincon and Susana Jones were present to recognize some of the Fabens High School students that received their Associates Degrees from El Paso Community College this year.

5. Consent Agenda – 7:12 -7:14 PM

A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, April 20, 2022

B. Fabens ISD Monthly Financial Reports

C. Community In Schools 2022 - 2023 Contract

D. Texas COVID Learning Acceleration Supports (TCLAS) Memorandums of Understanding

1. Educational Affiliation Agreement between Fabens Independent School District and The University of Texas at El Paso

2. Grow Your Own Program Agreement between Fabens Independent School District and The University of Texas at El Paso

3. Grow Your Own Fabens ISD Education and Training Teacher Stipend

4. Grow Your Own Fabens ISD

Dr. Vijil opened the item and read the list of Consent Agenda items, Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned and Mr. Orlando Flores seconded to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.

Motion Carried: 5 - 0

6. Lone Star Governance - Student Outcome Goals – 7:14 – 7:44 PM

A. Goal Progress Measure Report

1. Goal Progress Measure 3.3 Advanced Placement
2. CCMR Outcomes Bonus
3. COVID Recovery Models

Ms. Michele Gonzalez, Assistant Superintendent, presented the item and reviewed the information sent to the Board in their packets. This month she covered Goal Progress Measure 3.3 – Advance Placement, CCMR Outcome Bonus and COVID Recovery Models. After the presentation, Ms. Gonzalez answered questions from the Board.

7. Board of Trustees Business

A. Fabens ISD Farm Lease Agreement – 7:44 – 7:48 PM

Dr. Vijil presented the item, She asked if any board member had any questions on the information provided to them in their packet regarding the lease. After a few comments from the Board, Mr. Greg Spence motioned to approve the new 2022 – 2023 lease with an extension date of December 31, 2023.

Motion Carried 5 -0

B. Fabens High School Class of 2022 Update – 7:49 – 7:53 PM

Mr. Edgar Rincon, Fabens High School Principal, presented the item to the Board and community present. . He provided class demographics, SAT performance statistics, scholarship totals and graduation information.

C. Fabens ISD 2022 - 2023 Basic School Supplies Purchase over \$50,000.00 – 7:54 – 8:06 PM

Ms. Michele Gonzalez presented the item and explained the process of selecting the 2022 – 2023 vendor. She did inform the Board and community that the vendor EPI would be providing name brand supplies. Ms. Gonzalez had questions about the quality of the items in comparison to last year's products. Ms. Gonzalez provided the Board with a sample of the selected vendors products; the Board was satisfied with the quality of the items. After the presentation, Mr. Greg Spence motioned and Ms. Sylvia Gonzales seconded to approve the basic school supply purchase not to exceed \$70,000 as presented.

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8. Adjourn – 8:07 PM

There being no further business, Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned and Mr. Orlando Flores seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM

Motion Carried: 7 – 0