

Minutes of Regular Meeting The Board of Trustees Fabens ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fabens ISD was held Wednesday, September 15, 2021 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
Sylvia Gonzales
Ben Morales
Greg Spence

Members Absent: Viola Hernandez

Administrators Present: Dr. Veronica Vijil
Ms. Michele Gonzalez
Mr. Martin Torres
Ms. Audry Ortegon-Galvan
Mr. Michael Perez

Maria T. Rodriguez

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance and Fabens ISD Vision Statement - 6:30 – 6:31 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Board President, Mr. Benjamin Morales. All members were in attendance except Ms. Viola Hernandez. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

2. Communication and Visitors – 6:32 PM

No one signed up to address the Board.

3. Superintendent Report – 6:32 – 6:35 PM

A. College Board National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars - Gimena Ortiz and Stephanie Meza

Dr. Vijil opened the item and recognized Juniors, Gimena Ortiz and Stephanie Meza who were unable to attend. She read the specifics on how students are selected to the National Hispanic Recognition Program. Bios on the two students were read to the Board and community.

4. District Employees and Officers

A. 2021 - 2022 New Hires

Ms. Audry Ortegon-Galvan, Human Resource Director, introduced our campus principals who each presented their new employees.

New hires for Fabens Elementary School that were present: Mr. Gary Dominguez and Ms. Gabriela Fierro.

O'Donnell Intermediate School new hires present: Ms. Guadalupe Alvarez and Ms. Davina Barraza.

Fabens Middle School new hires: Mr. Christopher O'Neil, Ms. Lupe Castro, Coach Darius Brown, Ms. Charlene Galvan and Mr. Cale Danielson.

Fabens High School new hires: Manuel Franco, Rubee Mendoza, Jorge Duran, and Ms. Vanessa Manzano

Technology Department new hires: Mr. Richard Sanchez

Curriculum and Instruction new hires: Dr. Samuel Hogue

5. Consent Agenda – 6:42 – 6:44 PM

A. Minutes of the Budget and Tax Rate Public Meeting, August 25, 2021

B. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, August 25, 2021

C. Fabens ISD Monthly Financial Reports

D. Fabens ISD District Improvement Plan to include: District and Campus Goals and Performance Objectives

E. Texas Education Agency Maximum Class Size Waiver

Dr. Vijil opened the item and read the list of Consent Agenda items. Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia motioned and Mr. Orlando Flores seconded to approve as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

6. Lone Star Governance - Student Outcome Goals – 6:44 – 7:03 PM

A. Fabens ISD Student Data Update

1. Fabens ISD 2020 - 2021 Student Data

2. Fabens ISD 2021 - 2022 Beginning of the Year (BOY) Results

3. Updated Accelerated Learning Plan

Ms. Michele Gonzalez reviewed a Power Point presentation with the Board and community. In presenting the student data, Ms. Gonzalez did inform the Board that since the State did not assign grades to the districts, Fabens ISD took some risks such as testing all students in English and on the computers. Beginning of the Year results were reviewed. Ms. Gonzalez also reviewed the District's Accelerated plan and what the district is doing to help students.

B. Revision and Approval of Fabens ISD Goal Progress Measures for Goals 1 and 2

Ms. Michele Gonzalez, Assistant Superintendent, presented a Power Point presentation clarifying the need of the change in language. She reviewed each of the wording changes and explained that for now the goal percentages were not being changed. The middle of the year testing results would determine the need to revise the percentages in the future.

C. Fabens ISD Board of Trustees Quarterly Self-Assessment

Ms. Monica Jaloma, LSG Coach, conducted the quarterly self-assessment with the Board. After completing the self-assessment, Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia motioned and Mr. Orlando Flores seconded to approve the quarterly self-evaluation for the months of April 2021 – June 2021 as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

7. Board of Trustees Business

A. Second Reading, Discussion and Approval of Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Board Policy Update 117 Affecting Local Policies:

1. CH Purchasing and Acquisition

2. CV - Facilities Construction

3. DEC - Compensation and Benefits - Leaves and Absences

Human Resources Director, Ms. Audry Ortegon, opened the item and asked if any of the board members had questions on the information provided to them in their packets. Mr. Greg Spence motioned and Mr. Adan Escobar seconded to add, revise or delete local policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 117.

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

Ms. Sylvia Gonzales had stepped out and did not return in time to vote.

B. Discussion and Approval of Fabens ISD Purchases in Excess of \$50,000

1. HVAC Units - FHS

2. Safety/Security Door Hardware and Keying Upgrades - FES/ODI/FMS/FHS

Mr. David Ayala, Director of Facilities, presented the item and provided a short history of the current HVAC units at Fabens High School. If approved for purchase, he gave a timeline of the project to complete the removal and installation of the new units and answered questions from the Board on both the HVAC units and the keying upgrades at the campuses. Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned and Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia seconded to approve the purchases of the HVAC units for Fabens High School and the keying upgrades, not to exceed \$750,000.

Motion Carried 6 – 0

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia motioned and Mr. Orlando Flores seconded to adjourn at 8:35 PM

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