

Minutes of Regular Meeting The Board of Trustees Fabens ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fabens ISD was held Wednesday, January 19, 2022, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Central Office, Board Room, 821 NE G Avenue, Fabens, TX 79838.

Members Present: Adan Escobar
Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia
Sylvia Gonzales
Viola Hernandez
Ben Morales
Greg Spence

Members Absent: Orlando Flores

Administrators Present: Dr. Veronica Vijil
Ms. Michele Gonzalez
Mr. Martin Torres
Mr. Michael Perez

Maria T. Rodriguez

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance Mission and Vision Statements

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Board President, Mr. Benjamin Morales. All members were in attendance except Mr. Orlando Flores. The Pledge of Allegiance, Fabens ISD Mission and Vision statements were recited.

2. January 2022 School Board Recognition Month – 6:32 – 6:46 PM

Dr. Vijil opened the item and thanked the Board for their service. She read out loud a resolution presented to the board on the importance of the role they have in the education of our students. She presented certificates to all board members and thanked all administrators and directors that presented a gift to the Board. A short video of students expressing their appreciation was shown to the Board.

3. Communication and Visitors – 6:46 PM

Under this portion of the meeting, no one signed up to address the Board.

4. Superintendent Report – 6:47 – 7:00 PM

A. Bragging Rights

1. The American Geographical Society's Geography Educator Initiative Award to Mr. Jesus Alvarez

Dr. Vijil read the news release regarding the award Mr. Jesus Alvarez received for his grant submittal with the American Geographical Society. Mr. Alvarez will be using his award to fund a drone to be used for experimenting with geospatial technology to examine concepts such as urban planning, design, development and land use in his classes. Mr. Alvarez thanked the board for their support.

B. COVID Update

Dr. Vijil updated the board and community with the latest numbers and informed everyone of the updated CDC guidelines in place of using up to 5 days of COVID days for exposed or positive employees. Students are still required to quarantine for 10 days. Employee testing will be available daily by teams of 6 at each campus location. Community testing will be taking place on Saturdays at the Wildcat Den.

5. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, December 15, 2021

B. Fabens ISD Monthly and Quarterly Financial Reports

C. 2022 - 2023 West Texas Food Service Coop Interlocal Agreement

Dr. Vijil read the list of Consent Agenda items, Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned and Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia seconded to approve the list as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

6. Board of Trustees Business – 7:01 – 8:15 PM

A. Fabens ISD 2020 - 2021 Annual Financial And Compliance Report – 8:01 – 8:15 PM

Mr. Robert Gattilia, Fabens ISD Auditor with Singleton, Clark and Co. PC, presented the 2020 - 2021 Annual Financial And Compliance Report. He reviewed the Summary of Auditor's Results with the Board and community and announced that the district had received an unmodified opinion on the audit. There were no material weaknesses and no findings in the federal programs of Special Education and Child Nutrition. Mr. Gattilia reviewed the General Fund balance and Exhibit C-2 which would be placed in the newspaper. He answered a few questions from the Board and Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia motioned and Ms. Sylvia Gonzales seconded to approve the 2020 - 2021 Annual Financial and Compliance Report as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

B. Fabens ISD 2020-2021 Texas Academic Performance Annual Report – Public Meeting – 7:14 – 7:50 PM

Ms. Michele Gonzalez, Asst. Superintendent, reviewed the Texas Performance Annual Report with the Board and community. She provided the electronic information to access the report and announced that hard copies would be available here at Central Office at no cost to anyone wishing a copy. Throughout her presentation she answered questions from the Board, at the end

of the power point presentation she did announce that any community member that may have questions or concerns could stop by Central Office and see her.

C. Approve revisions to Fabens ISD Local Innovation Committee – 7:50 – 8:01 PM

Ms. Michele Gonzalez, Asst. Superintendent, presented the item and reviewed the new list of the District of Innovation Committee members. She provided a short history of the process and exemptions requested under the plan. She stated that the new list of members consists of original members and the criteria used to select the new members. She did inform the board that they were invited to submit the name of a parent or community member to serve on the committee. They have until Friday afternoon to submit the name and contact information to her. Any revision to the Innovation Plan by the committee is submitted to the District Improvement Team and if approved, the newly approved plan is presented to the Board for approval and submitted to TEA. After the presentation, Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia motioned and Ms. Viola Hernandez seconded to approve the list of District of Innovation Committee members as presented to include the names to be submitted by the Board by Friday, January 21, 2022.

Motion Carried: 5 - 1

Voting against: S. Gonzales

D. Review and Discuss Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) III Final 1/3 Allocation – 8:01 – 8:15 PM

Ms. Michele Gonzalez, Asst. Superintendent, presented the informational item and reviewed the Power Point presentation in the Board packet. She provided information regarding funding totals, stakeholder Input for each of the questions in the survey and highlighted the community priorities. Ms. Gonzalez reviewed the budget summaries with the purpose of the items and the projected costs for each item which are expected to last for the 2021 – 2022, 2022 – 2023 and the 2023 – 2024 school years.

7. Lone Star Governance – 8:15 – 8:41 PM

A. Goal Progress Measures 1.2 - Early Childhood Literacy and 2.2 Early Childhood Mathematics – 8:15 – 8:34 PM

1. Goal Progress Measures Presentations

2. Approve Updated Targets for Goal Progress Measures

Ms. Michele Gonzalez, Asst. Superintendent, presented the item and reviewed the information sent to the Board in their packets. This month she covered Goal Progress Measures 1.2 and 2.2. After reviewing data progress for each goal, she reminded the Board on the revised wording and targets to align with the new test for each of the goals. After presenting the information and new targets, Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned and Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia seconded to approve the new proposed adjusted targets to align with new test format and the new

proposed revision to the Goal Progress Measures to align with the new test targets as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

B. Review and Approval of Fabens ISD Board Monitoring Calendar – 8:34 – 8:38 PM

Dr. Vijil opened the item and informed the Board that with the 3rd review of the Monitoring Calendar with the added column of review of Board Constraints and the calendar cycling through the year 2024. Ms. Viola Hernandez motioned and Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Avitia seconded to approve the Lone Star Governance Monitoring Calendar cycling through year 2024 as presented.

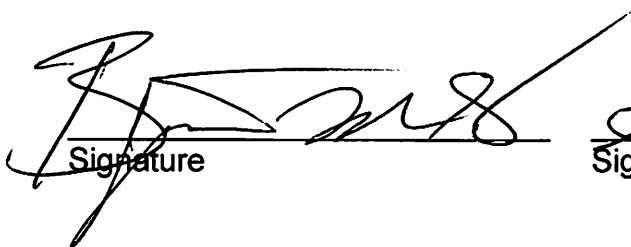
Motion Carried: 6 - 0

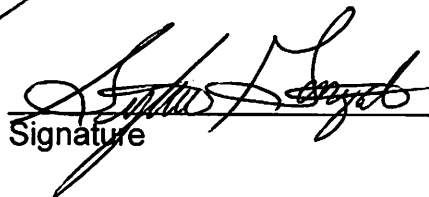
C. Fabens ISD Board Self Constraint 1 - Members of the Board Shall Not Make any Attempts to Manage Staff Members at Fabens ISD – 8:38 – 8:41 PM

Dr. Vijil opened the item and announced that Board Constraint 1 per the Monitoring Calendar was for review in the month of January. She announced that the tally of the question posed would be sent to them in their next Board Update. After discussing with LSG Coach, Ms. Monica Jaloma, the Board would be advised on the next step to be taken.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, Ms. Sylvia Gonzales motioned and Ms. Rosamaria Gallo-Aviita seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM.


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Date