Minutes of Special Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Fabens ISD

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fabens ISD was held Monday, May 22, 2023 beginning at 7:30 PM in the Central Office, Board Room, 821 NE G Avenue, Fabens, TX 79838.

Members Present:	Luis 'Charlie' Estrada Sylvia Gonzales Angel Ornelas Jr. Julieta Sepulveda Ramirez	
Members Absent:	Adan Escobar Benjamin Morales	Orlando Flores
Administrators Present:	Dr. Veronica Vijil Dr. Ana Galaviz	Mr. Martin Torres Mr. Raul Ugarte
	Maria T. Rodriguez	

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1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance – 7:48 PM

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Ms. Sylvia Gonzales at 6:48 PM. All members were in attendance except Mr. Adan Escobar, Mr. Orlando Flores and Mr. Benjamin Morales. The Pledge of Allegiance, Mission and Vision statements were recited by all present.

2. Communication and Visitors – 7:50 PM

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

3. Board of Trustees Business – 7:50 – 8 :27 PM

3.A. Review and Approval of New Security Camera Purchase Exceeding $30,000 for Fabens Elementary and O'Donnell Intermediate – 7:50 – 7:52 PM

The item was opened by Dr. Ana Galaviz, Director of Federal Programs. She explained that this was the same purchase that was presented and approved at an earlier meeting but since that approval better quality cameras were available at a lower cost. The savings and better quality cameras were the reason the purchase was brought back for their approval. Mr. Luis Estrada motioned and Mr. Angel Ornelas seconded to approve the security cameras for FES and ODI as presented.

Motion Carried: 4 - 0

3.B. Review and Approval of After School and Summer Program between STEAMspirations LLC dba STREAMTASTICO and Fabens ISD Agreement – 7:52 – 8:14 PM

Mr. Jesus Barba, Director of Elementary Education, presented the item. He provided a short history on how the district had searched for opportunities for the community in after school programs.

Mr. Ismael Lara with Streamtastico, answered questions regarding the program and what is offered in their curriculum along with cost to district parents / employees after their possible discounts. He did state that there is no cost to the district.

After the presentation, Mr. Luis Estrada motioned and Mr. Angel Ornelas seconded to approve the Steamspirations LLC and Streamtastico agreement as presented.

Motion Carried: 4 - 0

3.C. Approval of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund II Spending Plan – 8:14 – 8:27 PM

Mr. Torres, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, opened the item. Concerns were raised by board members regarding the move for the 2023 – 2024 school year. Board members felt that the move needed to be carefully planned and that the 2024 – 2025 school year was a better time frame. After the discussion, Mr. Luis Estrada motioned and Mr. Angel Ornelas seconded to approve Option C (moving Grade 3 from FES to ODI) at a cost of $538,886.57 as presented with the renovation started immediately, TEA allowing renovations now and the students planning to be moved for the 2024 – 2025 school year.

Motion Carried: 4 - 0

4. Adjourn – 8:27 PM

There being no further business, Mr. Luis Estrada motioned and Mr. Angel Ornelas seconded to adjourn at 8:27 PM.

Motion Carried: 4 - 0

Signatures on File