

*Board of Education
Special Meeting
January 10, 2023*



Fort Worth
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Special Meeting

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, the Board of Education of the Fort Worth Independent School District will hold a Special Meeting beginning at 5:30 PM at the Fort Worth Independent School District [Teaching and Learning Center, 1050 Bridgewood Drive](#), Fort Worth, Texas. Face masks are optional but recommended when attending this meeting. This meeting will be streamed by EdTV, the District's TV station, on Fort Worth ISD's Live YouTube channel, and broadcast on Spectrum/Charter Cable Channel 192 and AT&T U-Verse 99. An archive of the meeting will be available the following day on the District Website's Video on Demand. An electronic copy of the agenda is attached to this online notice. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed on the agenda which is made a part of this notice. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this special meeting notice. Members of the public may make a public comment in-person or by written statement.

The Guidelines for Public Comment were revised on the [Board of Education Webpage](#) and now include information regarding meeting decorum. Those individuals desiring to make a public comment may sign-up by calling 817-814-1920 by 4:00 PM the day of the meeting and may sign-up at the meeting until 5:20 PM. Individuals desiring to make a public comment by written statement may email laura.litton@fwisd.org by 12:00 PM the day of the meeting. Written statements will be shared with the Board of Trustees prior to the meeting and will not be read aloud during the Board meeting. Per policy [BED\(LOCAL\)](#) at all Special Board meetings, public comment shall be limited to items on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting.

Those who need a sign language interpreter, email laura.litton@fwisd.org by 12 PM Monday, January 9, 2023.

FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

1. 5:30 PM - CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER - BOARD ROOM (*OTHER*)
2. REPORT/PRESENTATION (*OTHER*)
 - A. Legislative Priorities for the 88th Texas Legislation Session
3. PUBLIC COMMENT (*S and T*)
4. RECESS - RECONVENE IN BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION (*OTHER*)

5. **EXECUTIVE SESSION (*S and T*)**

The Board will convene in closed session as authorized by the Texas Government Code Chapter §551.

- A. Seek the Advice of Attorneys (Texas Government Code §551.071)
- B. Deliberation Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee, Including but Not Limited to Action Items Related to the Recommendation to Terminate Certain Continuing Contract Employees for Good Cause, the Recommendation to Terminate Certain Term Contract Employees for Good Cause and the Recommendation to Terminate Certain Probationary Contract Employees for Good Cause (Texas Government Code §551.074)
- C. Security Implementation (Texas Government Code §551.076)
- D. Real Property (Texas Government Code §551.072)

6. **RECONVENE IN SPECIAL MEETING - BOARD ROOM (*OTHER*)**

7. **ACTION AGENDA ITEMS (*S and P*)**

- A. Consider and Approve Legislative Priorities for the 88th Texas Legislation Session
- B. Consider and Take Action to Rescind the December 13, 2022 Adoption of the "Resolution Concerning Implementation and Enforcement of School Safety Measures"

8. **ADJOURN (*OTHER*)**

(*V and G*) – Vision and Goals

(*P and A*) – Progress and Accountability

(*S and P*) – Systems and Processes

(*A and E*) – Advocacy and Engagement

(*S and T*) – Synergy and Teamwork

(*OTHER*) – Other

**ACTION AGENDA ITEM
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**TOPIC: APPROVE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR THE 88TH TEXAS
LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

BACKGROUND:

During the 87th Legislative Session held in 2021, numerous bills were filed impacting public education, and the same trend is expected in the 88th Legislative Session that convenes in January 2023. As a result, it is important that the Fort Worth Independent School District (the “District”) articulate its needs to elected officials. To retain current programs, and to continue development in student performance, state funding is critical to all Texas school districts. Additionally, unfunded mandates continue to impose financial stress. Once adopted, they will be shared with the District’s State Representatives and the local community.

STRATEGIC GOAL:

1 - Increase Student Achievement

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve Legislative Priorities for the 88th Texas Legislative Session
2. Decline to Approve Legislative Priorities for the 88th Texas Legislative Session
3. Remand to Staff for Further Study

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Legislative Priorities for the 88th Texas Legislative Session

FUNDING SOURCE:

General Fund

COST:

Minimal printing and distribution costs.

PURCHASING MECHANISM:

Not a Purchase

Purchasing Support Documents Needed:

Not Applicable

PARTICIPATING SCHOOL(S)/DEPARTMENT(S)/EDUCATIONAL ENTITY:

District - Wide

RATIONALE:

The District genuinely appreciates the service and support provided by our local legislators. We believe the District has an obligation to share its needs, concerns, and priorities with elected officials to assist them in making decisions that are in the best interest of the students.

INFORMATION SOURCE:

Angélica Ramsey
Karen Molinar

**ACTION AGENDA ITEM
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TOPIC: CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO RESCIND THE DECEMBER 13, 2022 ADOPTION OF THE "RESOLUTION CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES"

BACKGROUND:

During the December 13, 2022, Board of Education Meeting, the Board took action to approve a resolution entitled: Resolution Concerning Implementation and Enforcement of School Safety Measures.

As detailed in the backup documentation and the body of the Resolution, the intent of the action item was to allow the Board of Trustees to adopt a resolution convening the local School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) to follow an established process for the identification and recommendation of curriculum materials consistent with the State-approved TEKS requirements.

Due to this erroneous title, the Administration recommends the Board take action to rescind the December 13, 2022 action adopting the resolution referenced above.

STRATEGIC GOAL:

1 - Increase Student Achievement

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve Rescind December 13, 2022 Adoption of the "Resolution Concerning Implementation and Enforcement of School Safety Measures"
2. Decline to Approve Rescind December 13, 2022 Adoption of the "Resolution Concerning Implementation and Enforcement of School Safety Measures"
3. Remand to Staff for Further Study of this Matter

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

Rescind the December 13, 2022 Adoption of the "Resolution Concerning Implementation and Enforcement of School Safety Measures"

FUNDING SOURCE

Additional Details

No Cost

Not Applicable

COST:

No Cost

VENDOR:

Not Applicable

PURCHASING MECHANISM

Not a Purchase

Purchasing Support Documents Needed:

Not a Purchase

RATIONALE:

The FWISD Board of Trustees must convene the School Health Advisory Council so that the requirements under EHAA (Local) can be completed and recommendations be made to the Board of Trustees on the human sexuality curriculum. Rescinding the action adopting the resolution that was incorrectly titled allows the District to ensure transparency of this process.

INFORMATION SOURCE:

Karen Molinar
Cynthia Rincón

Statutory Requirements

“Under the authority of Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the Board, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, may enter into closed or executive session for any of the following reasons:

- 1. To consult with the Board’s attorney with respect to pending or contemplated litigation, or settlement offers, or on matters where the attorney’s duty to the Board, pursuant to the Code of Professional Responsibility of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law. Sec. 551.071**
- 2. To discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. Sec. 551.072**
- 3. To discuss negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations. Sec. 551.073**
- 4. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against a public officer or employee, unless such officer or employee requests a public hearing. Sec. 551.074**
- 5. To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. Sec. 551.076**
- 6. To deliberate a case involving discipline of a public school child or children, unless an open hearing is requested in writing by a parent or guardian of the child; or to deliberate a case in which a complaint or charge is brought against an employee of the District by another employee and the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing, unless the employee complained of or charged requests an open hearing. Sec. 551.082**
- 7. To exclude a witness from a hearing during the examination of another witness in an investigation when the Board is investigating a matter. Sec. 551.084**

“All final votes, actions, or decisions on any matter discussed in closed or executive session shall be taken or made in open session.”

“This notice is posted and filed in compliance with the Open Meetings Law on January 5, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.”

Christian Alvarado

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Coordinator
Board of Education**