

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FORT STOCKTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

August 30, 2023
6:00 PM

Vice President Flo Garcia called the Public Meeting to order at 6:18 pm.

Secretary Anastacio Dominguez established a quorum with the following members: Jennifer Gonzales, Kay Griffith, Anastacio Dominguez, Flo Garcia, and Ursula Sanchez; absent board members were Freddie Martinez and Sandra Rivera.

The board convened into the special public hearing meeting at 6:04 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET AND TAX RATE

Business Manager Maria Gomez conducted the public meeting on the 2023-2024 budget and tax rate.

The special public hearing meeting adjourned at 6:17 pm, and the regular meeting commenced.

Flo Garcia announced that the meeting was duly called and that notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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Nacho Dominguez led the pledges to the flags, and Superintendent Gabriel Zamora gave the invocation.

STAFF REPORTS

Each principal recognized the Student of the Month, nominated and selected by the campus staff, and presented certificates to the students. Each principal explained the criteria for nominating and choosing the students:(20) Ector Martinez, High School; Joshua Montoya, Middle School; Connor Shuttleworth, Intermediate; Pedro Cruz, Alamo; and Tatum Williams, Apache.

Nacho asked for food service and transportation directors to report to meetings.

Gil Rey Madrid informed the board of school bus repairs. Route buses running well. Nacho inquired about food service. Gilrey informed food service is running smoothly. Maintenance has been busy, especially after the rain storm. Maintenance is short-staffed. There are no security failures due to the storm. Jeremy Hickman announced that the football field was complete and ready for the game. Hellas informed how to properly care for all turf, including the softball & baseball field. Nacho and Flo mentioned some concerns on the baseball fields.

OPEN FORUM AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Al Haney's public comment concerning the community not meeting testing standards. 36% of students meeting standards, he believes there is a lack of engagement for education as a whole community. Block scheduling was also a concern.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Ursula Sanchez, seconded by Nacho Dominguez and carried unanimously to approve the consent agenda, including the minutes of the special meetings of August 2nd, 9th, & 16th, 2023, and the July Check Register.

CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (Subchapters D and E of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code), the board entered into a closed meeting 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 an officer or employee (551.074), discuss possible purchase of real property, consultation with attorney (551.071) at 6:39 pm.

OPEN SESSION

The board reconvened in an open session at 6:56 pm.

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

Review Cheerleader Handbook, Athletic Handbook, and Extracurricular Handbook

ACTION ITEMS

Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Multicampus Security Fencing Bond Project from BTC motion to accept by Nacho Dominguez Second by Jennifer Gonzales and carried unanimously.

District Insurance: Property, Casualty, Auto, Liability Worker's Comp, Etc. motion to approve proposals by Nacho Dominguez, second by Ursula Sanchez, and carried unanimously.

Order Authorizing the Defeasance and Redemption of a Portion of FSISD's Unlimited Tax Bond motion to be accepted by Kay Griffith, second by Jennifer Gonzales, and carried unanimously.

Resolution Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organization motion to accept by Jennifer Gonzales second by Ursula Sanchez passed unanimously.

Adjunct Faculty Request Staff Texas A&M AgriLife Extension (4-H) motion to accept by Kay Griffith, second by Nacho Dominguez, passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2023 Certified Appraisal Roll motion to accept by Nacho Dominguez, second by Kay Griffith, passed unanimously.

Coalition A-F TEA Accountability Lawsuit motion to accept by petition Jennifer Gonzales, second by Nacho Dominguez, passed unanimously.

The Budget Amendment, as presented motion to accept by Nacho Dominguez, seconded by Ursula Sanchez, passed unanimously.

Adopting the 2023-2024 Budgets as presented motion to accept by Jennifer Gonzales, seconded by Kay Griffith, passed unanimously.

Resolution for Adopting the 2023-2024 Tax Rate as presented motion to accept by Nacho Dominguez, second by Ursula Sanchez, passed unanimously.

Donation \$1,000.00 school supply motion to accept Jennifer Gonzales second by Jennifer Gonzales passed unanimously.

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OPEN SESSION

The board reconvened in an open session at 7:58 pm.

PERSONNEL ACTIVITY

Employment:

Christian Connor	Teacher – Butz – DAEP
Travis Lancaster	Teacher – High School – Mathematics
Robert Lujan	Master Peace Officer – High School (District)
Norma McDonald	Teacher – Middle School – Special Education
Jackie Mitchell	Teacher – Middle School – English Language Arts and Reading
Johnathan Barrow	Paraprofessional – High School
Jared Benavente	Paraprofessional – Apache
Leslie Brewer	Paraprofessional – Middle School
Rosalinda Corrales	Micro Bus Driver – Transportation
Manuela Dominguez	Micro Bus Driver – Transportation
Tatiana Fernandez-Cabezales	Food Production Staff – Food Services
Sonia Gonzales	Paraprofessional – Apache
Israel Hernandez	Grounds Maintenance – Operations
Veronica Jacobo	Food Production Staff – Food Services
Gloria Leyva	Micro Bus Driver – Transportation
Maria Lovell	Food Production Staff – Food Services
Jacqueline Mendoza	Paraprofessional – Alamo
Amber Palacios	Paraprofessional – Alamo
Maria Pantoja	Food Production Staff – Food Services
Herlinda Rodriguez	Paraprofessional – Apache
Elena Sanchez	Paraprofessional – Apache

Resignations:

Linda Acosta	Paraprofessional – Apache
Roselia Acosta	Paraprofessional - Apache
John Gossett	Paraprofessional – High School
Sierra Milan	Paraprofessional – Middle School
Amanda Peppers	Teacher – Middle School – Social Studies
Maria Rodriguez	Teacher – Middle School – English Language Arts and Reading
Pedro Torres	Grounds Maintenance - Operations
Sylvia Yanez	Paraprofessional – Apache

Transfers:

Dianna Casillas	From Teacher – Middle School – Mathematics	To Teacher – Middle School – Science
Catarina Chavarria	From Bus Driver – Part-Time	To Bus Driver – Full-Time
Monalisa Gonzales	From Teacher – Middle School – Special Education	To Teacher – Middle School – English Language Arts and Reading

Irma Martinez
Patricia Pena
Studies

From Paraprofessional – Middle School
From Teacher – Middle School – Science

To Paraprofessional – High School
To Teacher – Middle School – Social

The next regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 18, 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Presiding Officer

Attesting Officer