

Minutes  
Monday, March 4, 2019  
Regular Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.  
Gonzales Junior High School Library, 426 N. College Gonzales, Texas

**Board Members Present:** Glenn Menking, President  
Gloria Torres, Vice President  
Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary  
Sue Gottwald  
Ross Hendershot, III  
Justin Schwausch

**Board Members Absent:** Sandra Gorden

**Item #1 Call To Order:**

The Board of Trustees of the Gonzales Independent School District met Monday, March 4, 2019 at the Gonzales Junior High School Library. President Glenn Menking called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

A quorum was declared with 6 board members in attendance.

Invocation, Pledge, Mission Statement

Josie Smith-Wright gave the invocation, Gloria Torres led the pledge to the flag and Justin Schwausch read the mission statement.

**Item #2 Recognitions:** None

**Item #3 Public Comments:**

#1 Public Comment was from Mr. Brock Ramsey-To Support the Lady Apache basketball Players and regarding his resignation to GISD.

#2 Darwina Gayton spoke on her response to her 2/15/19 email, received from the Superintendent regarding her and GISD Expenses. Ms. Gayton also gave copies to the board members regarding her continued concerns.

**Item #4 Reports:**

A Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR)

The Superintendent reported on the TAPR. The Superintendent went through TAPR report and explained the report to the board. There were copies of the TAPR passed on to the board members. There were also available copies for anyone else interested in the reports. A few questions and comments were addressed.

B. Financial Report

Dr. Kim Strozier reported on the financial report to the board. Copies of the financial reports were issued to each board member with their board packet. The first budget amendment was a \$1500.00 increase from the PTO contribution for GE. There was also a \$15,212 dollar movement to allow for the technology purchase for protecting our systems from malware. There was also a \$100.00 increase to cover benefits on earned Teacher stipends from TEA that flows through the district, but did not cover benefits. Also reported was the majority of the tax collections have been realized, and the bond payments that were paid at the end of January. Also mentioned was the district has begun working on the next fiscal year 2019-2020 budget.

There were no comments or questions.

B. Superintendents Report

1. Campus Report-Dr. Strozier, Superintendent reviewed campus reports that included a list of school events and reports.
2. Student Enrollment and Attendance Report /ADA  
A note was made that enrollment had increased since last year as of Snapshot Day.

Dr. Strozier explained the enrollment and the progress of the district attendance. The Superintendent also explained the activities taking place at each campus.

No comments or questions.

**Item # 5 New Business/Action Items**

A. Discuss and Consider action to approve the Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of Meeting: February. 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting & February. 26, 2019 Special Meeting
2. Budget Amendments: included them with financial report

Dr. Strozier reminded the board of the minutes that were included in the consent agenda. There were no questions or comments.

A motion was made by Justin Schwausch with a second by Ross Hendershot, III to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried 6/0.

(Item D was moved up in front of item B)

D. Discuss and Consider action to approve a contract for HVAC Equipment & Installation Services and a Resolution Declaring Intention to Reimburse Project Expenditures.

As per the district response to the US environmental protection agency the Superintendent explained to the board that the district was in need of replacing the HVAC units as per responding to the US environmental protection agency phasing out the R22 refrigerant. This response calls for the district to replace the HVAC units at various locations in the district. There is a total of 189 units that need to be replaced. Phase one would take care of 89 units, which are located at the NA, EA, & HS campuses. Most units are all over 30 years old. The first phase is an estimated cost of \$1.5 million dollars. After phase 1 it would leave 100 more units to complete the project for the following year. In order for the second phase to work, the district has purchased the refrigerant that will be stored to get through the final year project. Dr. Strozier introduced Mr. Robuck, from BOK Financial Securities, Inc. to give some financial options to pay for the project. It was recommended to select the 7-year option, as it is a better option for the district.

There were a few questions and comments, which were addressed.

A motion was made by Glenn Menking with a second from Ross Hendershot, III to approve the resolution and contract subject to legal review, as presented. The motion carried 6/0.

B. Discuss and Consider action to approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for District 1, and District 2 for the May 4, 2019 Trustee Elections

The superintendent reported to the board that this is an annual item. Dr. Strozier explained to the board there were no opposing candidates and that accordance with Sections 2.051-53 and 52.002 of the Texas Election Code, the secretary of the board must verify the unopposed status to the authority responsible for ordering the election. It was recommended that the board accept the Certification of unopposed candidates.

There were no questions or comments.

A motion was made by Ross Hendershot, III with a second from Josie Smith-Wright to accept the Certification of Unopposed Candidates as presented. The motion carried 6/0.

C. Discuss and Consider action to approve the Order of Cancellation for the May 4, 2019 Trustee Election, District 1 and District 2

The superintendent reported to the board that this is a required item. Dr. Strozier explained to the board that according to Section 2.053 of the Texas Election Code, the governing body of a political subdivision by order or ordinance may

declare each unopposed candidate elected to the office. It was recommended that the board adopt the Order of cancellation and that the unopposed candidates be declared elected to office.

There were no questions or comments.

A motion was made by Josie Smith-Wright with a second from Sue Gottwald that the board adopt the Order of Cancellation as presented, thereby, cancelling the election scheduled to be held on May 4, 2019 and declaring the unopposed candidates Gloria Torres, District 1, and Justin Schwausch, District 2 elected as school trustees. The motion carried 6/0.

**Item #6 Board Business**

Board Correspondence: None

Dates of Interest:

March 1, 2019	Staff/Student Holiday (stock show)
March 11-15, 2019	Spring Break

**Item # 7 Personnel Matters**

The Board adjourned into executive session at 6:26 p.m. for Personnel Matters/Property Matters/Security Matters and returned to open session at 7:28pm

Dr. Strozier reported the resignations as follows: Virginia Applemon, Christopher Martin, II, Ross Wells Jr., Sam White, Broch Ramsey, and Gary Couchman

A motion was made by Josie Smith-Wright with a second by Ross Hendershot, III to accept the list of teacher & other contracts as presented by the superintendent The motion passed 6/0. Mr. Hendershot, III will abstain from the contract of Shelly Hendershot, and Mr.Menking will abstain from the contracts of Rachel Menking, Sarah Menking and Mary Lou Menking.

**Item# 8 Adjourn**

There was a motion by Josie Smith-Wright with a second by Justin Schwausch to adjourn. The motion carried 6/0. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Glenn Menking, President  
Board of Trustee

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Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary  
Board of Trustee