

**Special Meeting  
Of the Board of Trustees - 5:30 PM  
Tuesday, January 17, 2023  
Location of Meeting: GISD Administrative Board Room  
1615 St Lawrence St.  
P O Box 157  
Gonzales, Texas 78629**

*Vision*

*Gonzales ISD is a destination district committed to growing greatness*

*Mission*

*Gonzales Independent School District Designs meaningful learning experiences that inspire students to make an impact beyond themselves*

NOTE: Any of these items, where appropriate, may become an action at Board discretion. The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken, are as follows: (Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.)

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order
  - A. Roll Call
  - B. Invocation:
  - C. Pledge:
  - D. Mission Statement:
2. Public Comments 2
3. Adjourn to Closed session: Under Texas Government Code Chapter 551, The board will recess this open session and convene in a closed meeting to discuss items on the agenda. The board may conveniently meet in such a closed or executive session or meeting, concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Texas government code chapter 551: 3
  - A. Resignations
  - B. New Positions
  - C. New Hires
  - D. Safety and Security Personnel
4. Adjourn

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If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_.

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For the Board of Trustees



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**SUBJECT:** Public Comments

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:**

The Board encourages comments from citizens at its regular meetings. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the form provided prior to the beginning of the meeting and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak.

Comments are limited to 5 minutes, and the Board will keep the time and inform you when your time has expired. The comments must:

1. Pertain to the operation of the Gonzales Independent School District;
2. Refrain from using the public comment to make specific comments or complaints about employees or officers of the District; GISD has grievance policies to address specific complaints;
3. Refrain from utilizing public comment to make specific comments or complaints about specific students or student incidents; GISD has grievance policies to address specific complaints;
4. Display civility, decorum, and respect for others.

The Board may not discuss or act upon any issues that are not posted on our agenda. If an issue mentioned is listed on tonight's agenda, the Board will defer the discussion until the appropriate time during the meeting. If a presenter does not adhere to these requirements, the Presiding Officer may end the opportunity for the presenter to continue addressing the Board.

The Board has adopted complaint policies that are designed to secure, at the lowest administrative level, a prompt and equitable resolution of complaints and concerns. Complaints brought by students or their parents may be heard in accordance with policies FNG (LEGAL) and FNG (LOCAL); by employees, in accordance with policies DGBA (LEGAL) and DGBA (LOCAL); and by citizens, in accordance with policies GF (LEGAL) and GF (LOCAL). Each of these processes provides that, if a resolution cannot be achieved administratively, the person may appeal the administrative decision to the Board as a properly posted agenda item.

Copies of our District policies on public participation in meetings and filing complaints are available at the GISD Central Administrative Office Building.



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**Adjourn to Closed Session**  
Under Texas Government Code Chapter 551

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- [Section 551.071](#): Consultation with Attorney;
- [Section 551.072](#): Deliberation Regarding Real Property;
- [Section 551.073](#): Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift;
- [Section 551.074](#): Personnel Matters; Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee: Closed Meeting.
- [Section 551.076](#): Deliberation Regarding Security Devices; or Security Audits
- [Section 551.082](#): School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint
- [Section 551.083](#): Certain School Boards; Meeting Regarding Consultation with Representative of Employee Group
- [Section 551.084](#): Investigation; Exclusion of witnesses from a hearing.

No voting will take place in the closed meeting. Any action the board wishes to take as a result of discussions in a closed session will take place after the board reconvenes in an open meeting. Today's date is \_\_\_\_\_ and it is \_\_\_\_\_ p.m./am

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Personnel Matters

Personnel matters are as follows:

- A. Resignations
- B. New Positions
- C. New Hires
- D. Safety & Security Personnel