

Regular Meeting
Monday, November 13, 2023 5:30 PM

Administrative Office, Superintendent
1615 St Louis Street
P O Box 157
Gonzales, Texas 78629

Agenda

1. Call to Order
Presenter: Board President
 - 1.A. Roll Call
Presenter: Board President
 - 1.B. Invocation:
Presenter: Gloria Torres
 - 1.C. Pledge:
Presenter: Ashley Molina
 - 1.D. Mission Statement:
Presenter: D'Anna Robinson
2. Public Comments
Presenter: Board President
3. New Business/Action Items
 - 3.A. Consent Agenda

Discuss and Consider Action to approve the Consent Agenda
Presenter: Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools
 - 3.A.1. Minutes of Meetings:
Presenter: Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools
 - 3.A.2. Budget Amendments:
 - 3.B. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve and Accept the Resale Bid for Suit 7236 Property R15946
Presenter: Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools
 - 3.C. Discuss and Consider Action on a Proposed Interlocal Cooperation Contract with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) for DPS's Lease of the District's Property at 1711 N Sarah DeWitt Dr, Gonzales, TX 78629 for Ten (10) Years, for \$3,438.00 a Month, Plus the Cost of Utilities and Services, with an Escalation Clause for Each Year
Presenter: Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer
 - 3.D. Discuss and Consider Action to amend EIC Local, Local Graduation Honors
Presenter: Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools, Jon Bash, GHS Principal
4. Reports
 - 4.A. Financial Report
Presenter: Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

- 4.B. Superintendent Reports
 - 4.B.1. Enrollment-Attendance
 - 4.B.2. Campus Reports
- 5. Board Business
 - 5.A. Board Correspondence
 - 5.B. Dates of Interest
- 6. 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:
Presenter: Board President
 - 6.A. Resignations
 - 6.B. New Positions
 - 6.C. New Hires
- 7. Reconvene to Open Meeting: The Board will take appropriate action on items, if necessary, as discussed in Closed Session
Presenter: Board President
- 8. Adjourn



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Gloria Torres

GISD School Board Agenda Information Sheet
November 13, 2023

SUBJECT: Public Comments

RATIONAL SUMMARY:

The next item on the agenda is public comment. Before we begin, I will remind our audience members of the Board's procedures for handling public comments. The public comment portion of our meeting is available to members of the public who wish to address a meeting item on tonight's agenda or other matter pertaining to Gonzales ISD.

Anyone who wants to speak during public comment must sign in before the start of the meeting and list the agenda item they want to discuss. Each public comment speaker will be allowed a maximum of 5 minutes to address the Board. If necessary for effective meeting management, or to accommodate large numbers of individuals wishing to address the Board, we may shorten the time for each individual wishing to present comments. The public comment portion of the meeting will allow all speakers who have signed up before the start of the meeting to address the Board regarding an item on tonight's agenda. Persons requiring a translator will be given additional time.

Please keep your comments or criticisms civil and courteous. Please also avoid using profanity during your opportunity to speak. Last, we ask that you not discuss students who are not your child.

If a speaker is seeking Board resolution of a specific complaint, that concern should be addressed through the District's grievance process. District policy DGBA has been established for addressing employee complaints, policy FNG is the avenue for filing parent complaints, and policy GF address community member complaints. Grievance forms can be obtained at any campus administration office, or in the central administration offices.


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ACTION ITEM

SUBJECT: Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Consent Agenda

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

RATIONAL SUMMARY:

A. Meeting Minutes: October 9, 2023
October 13, 2023
October 30, 2023

B. Budget Amendments:

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

MOTION: *I move that the Board approve the consent agenda, as presented.*

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Minutes
Monday, October 9, 2023
Regular Board Meeting at 5:30 P.M.
Location of Meeting: GISD Administrative Board Room, 1615 St Lawrence St.
Gonzales, Texas 78629

Board Members Present: Ross Hendershot, III, President
Justin Schwausch, Vice President
Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary
D'Anna Robinson
Ashley Molina
Gloria Torres
Sandra Gorden

Board Member Absent:

Item #1. Call to Order

The Board of Trustees of the Gonzales Independent School District met Monday, April 10, 2023, at the Administrative Office Board Room, Gonzales, Texas. President, Ross Hendershot, III called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

A quorum was declared with 7 members present.

Invocation, Pledge, Mission Statement

Justin Schwausch gave the Invocation, Josie Smith-Wright led the Pledge to the Flag, and Gloria Torres read the Mission Statement.

Item #2: Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Item #3: New Business/Action Items:

A. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Consent Agenda**

1. Budget Amendments
2. Minutes: September 11, 2023, Regular Board Meeting

Amanda Smith, GISD Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the budget amendments which included:

- Increase Function 34 by 10k: CDL Stipends for Coaches (\$500/ea; Approved at March 2023 Bd Mtg)
- Increase Function 11 by \$70k: 2 JH Math Aides & 1 ECSE Aide (approved in Spring, but not include in original budget)
- Increase Function 15 by \$15,518: HS Flooring (2022-23 unfulfilled commitment)

Justin Schwausch made a motion, with a second from Josie Smith-Wright, to approve the consent agenda, as presented.

The motion carried 7/0.

B. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve an Interlocal Agreement with the Harris County Department of Education to Facilitate Participation in the Choice Partners Purchasing Cooperative**

Ashley Wilke, GISD Business Manager, presented to the board the Interlocal Agreement with the Harris County Department of Education to Facilitate Participation in the Choice Partner Purchasing Cooperative. The Texas Education Code allows the use of interlocal agreements as one of the approved methods for the acquisition of goods and services of all types.

According to Chapter 44, §44.031 B (a) (4) interlocal contracts of the Texas Education Code, Chapter 791 Interlocal Corporation Contracts of the Texas Government Code, and Board Policies CH (Legal), CH (Local) purchasing and

acquisition, Gonzales ISD is able to enter into an Interlocal contract with Harris County Department of Education and therefore be a member of Choice Partners Purchasing Cooperative. The utilization of interlocal agreements assists the district in purchasing or sharing contracts for goods and services that are currently needed. This type of procurement process will ensure the district that all bidding requirements have been performed by the participants and will also ensure that the products offered meet various required standards.

Choice Partners was created by the merger of three Harris County Department of Education procurement cooperatives: Choice Facility Partners, Gulf Coast Food Co-op and HCDE Purchasing Cooperative.

There is no fee for membership.

Ashley Molina made a motion, with a second from Sandra Gorden, to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Harris County Department of Education as presented.

The motion carried 7/0.

C. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the 2023 Tax Roll Per Section 26.09 Texas Property Code**

Amanda Smith presented to the board The Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector, 2023 final roll report for review and approval. The 2023 final roll report (which included the levy totals).

Justin Schwausch made a motion, with a second from Gloria Torres, to approve the 2023 tax roll, as presented.

The motion carried 7/0

D. **Discuss and Consider Action to Accept the Annual Investment Report and Approve a Resolution Related to Review of Investment Policy and Investment Strategies**

Amanda Smith presented to the board the Annual Investment Report and to approve a Resolution Related to Review the Investment Policy and Investment Strategies.

Board Policy CDA (Local) requires that an annual comprehensive report on the investment program actively be prepared and presented to the Board. Administration will share a report covering the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

The policy also requires that the Board adopt a "written instrument" stating that it has reviewed the investment policy and investment strategies and record any changes made. The resolution was found on the last page of the Annual Investment Report.

Josie Smith-Wright made a motion, with a second from Sandra Gorden, that the accept the annual investment report and approve and adopt the resolution, as presented.

The motion carried 7/0.

E. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the revisions to DEC Local, Compensation and Benefits Leaves and Absences.**

Brandi Bell, GISD Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development, presented to the board the revisions to DEC Local, Compensation and Benefits leaves and Absences

In accordance with DEC Local, the proposed revisions to the Compensation and Befits Leaves and Absences section is being presented with changes highlighted in blue in the packet that was provided.

- (Mental Health Leave was changed to any eligible employee may use mental health leave.
- Line of Duty Illness or Injury Leave of Absence

Gloria Torres made a motion, with a second from Josie Smith-Wright, to approve the proposed revisions to DEC Local Compensation and Benefits Leaves and Absences.

The motion carried 7/0.

F. **Discuss and Consider Action to amend EIC Local, Local Graduation Honors.**

Jon Basha, Principal at Gonzales High School, presented the amended EIC Local, Local Graduation Honors to the board.

- For the Purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the third nine-week grading period of the senior year. The third quarter grade shall be used as the semester grade for this purpose.
- For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank in accordance with this policy and administrative regulations by using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the fall semester of the senior year.

There were a few questions and comments which were addressed.

This action item was tabled and asked to be brought back to the November board meeting.

Item#4 Reports:

A. **School First (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) Overview & Gonzales ISD's 2022-23 Rating**

Amanda Smith presented information to the board the 2022-23 School FIRST rating. The rating was based on data from the 2021-22 fiscal year.

B. **Financial Report**

The Financial and Quarterly Investment Report was presented by Amanda Smith.

C. **Architectural/Engineering RFQ Update**

Amanda Smith presented the update on the Architectural/Engineering and Construction Administration Services Request for Qualification (RFQ) process that is ongoing. This RFQ is associated with the November 2023 bond election.

- All RQS's were due September 19, 2023
- 14 Responses from Architect Firms
- Evaluation Committee met September 22, 2023
- The committee will interview the top 5 or 6 Mid November depending on the election outcome in November.

D. **GISD Bilingual/ESL Yearly Program Report**

Erin Lindemann-LaBuhn, GISD Executive Director of State and Federal Programs, provided the yearly program report specific to the district bilingual and ESL programs.

E. **Amendment to Secondary Grading Guidelines**

Jon Basha presented the amendment to Secondary Grading Guidelines. The purpose for the amendment is to provide staff and students with a more equitable grading system.

E. **Superintendent Reports**

Presented by Superintendent, Dr. Elmer Avellaneda

- Enrollment as of 10/5/23 is at 2568
- ADA for the district is 94.25

Item#6 Board Business:

Board Correspondence: Thank you letter from Wanda Fryer.

Dates of Interest:

The month of February	
October 13, 2023	End of the First Nine Weeks
October 16 & 17, 2023	Staff Development/Student Holiday
October 18-20, 2023	Fall Break
October 23, 2023	Early Voting Begins (thru Nov. 3rd)
November 7, 2023	Election Day
November 10, 2023	Staff Development/Student Holiday
November 13, 2023	Regular Board Meeting

Item #9 Adjourn

There being no further business, President Hendershot adjourned the meeting at 6:51 P.M.

Ross Hendershot, III, President
Board of Trustees

Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary
Board of Trustees

Minutes
Friday, October 13, 2023
Special Board Meeting at 5:30 P.M.
Location of Meeting: GISD Administrative Board Room, 1615 St Lawrence St.
Gonzales, Texas 78629

Board Members Present: Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary
D'Anna Robinson
Ashley Molina
Gloria Torres

Board Member Absent: Ross Hendershot, III, President
Justin Schwausch, Vice President
Sandra Gorden

Item #1. Call to Order

The Board of Trustees of the Gonzales Independent School District met Friday, October 13, 2023, at the Administrative Office Board Room, Gonzales, Texas. Secretary, Josie Smith-Wright called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

A quorum was declared with 4 members present.

Invocation, Pledge, Mission Statement

Josie Smith-Wright gave the Invocation, Gloria Torres led the Pledge to the Flag, and Ashley Molina read the Mission Statement.

Item #2: Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Item #4: New Business/Action Items:

A. **Discuss and Consider Action to Nominate two board members to serve on the Appraisal District Board**

Josie Smith-Wright talked to the board members about the duties they would have serving on the Gonzales Appraisal District Board.

D'Anna asked several questions (how long the meetings last, what the term is)

Ashley Molina made a motion to nominate D'Anna Robinson and Josh Gray to the Gonzales Appraisal District Board, with a second from Gloria Torres.

The motion carried 4/0

Item #9 Adjourn

There being no further business, Secretary, Josie Smith-Wright adjourned the meeting at 12:18 P.M.

Ross Hendershot, III, President
Board of Trustees

Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary
Board of Trustees

Minutes
Monday, October 30, 2023
Special Board Meeting at 12:00 P.M.
Location of Meeting: GISD Administrative Board Room, 1615 St Lawrence St.
Gonzales, Texas 78629

Board Members Present: Ross Hendershot, III, President
Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary
D'Anna Robinson
Gloria Torres

Board Member Absent: Justin Schwausch, Vice President
Sandra Gorden
Ashley Molina

Item #1. Call to Order

The Board of Trustees of the Gonzales Independent School District met Monday, August 28, 2023, at the Administrative Office Board Room, Gonzales, Texas. President, Ross Hendershot, III called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

A quorum was declared with 4 members present.

Invocation, Pledge, Mission Statement

Josie Smith-Wright gave the Invocation, D'Anna Robinson led the Pledge to the Flag, and Gloria Torres read the Mission Statement.

Item #2: Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Item #3: New Business/Action Items:

A. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve to Amend and Restate the Order Calling School Building Bond Election**

Dr. A presented to the board the Amendment to Restate the Order Calling the School Building Bond Election with the addition of Caldwell County.

Josie Smith-Wright made a motion, with a second from Gloria Torres, to approve the Amended and Restated Order Calling the School Building Bond Election.

No questions were asked.

Marcus Dietz from Orrick was present via Zoom.

The motion carried 4/0

B. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Caldwell County Election Administrator**

Dr. A presented to the board the approval to appoint Devante Coe as the regular early voting clerk for Caldwell County for the November Election.

No Questions were asked

Josie Smith-Wright made a motion, with a second from D'Anna Robinson, to approve Devante Coe as the regular early voting clerk from Caldwell County for the November 2023 Election.

The motion carried 4/0

C. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Joint Services Contract between Caldwell County on behalf of the Caldwell County Elections Administrator and Gonzales ISD**

Dr. A came to the board seeking approval to enter in a Joint Election Services Contract between Caldwell County on behalf of the Caldwell County Elections Administrator and Gonzales ISD

Josie Smith-Wright asked how would the voters of Gonzales ISD that are in Caldwell County be made aware of and when they would be able to vote. Dr. A stated that GISD had sent out notices and that Caldwell County had as well.

Josie Smith-Wright made a motion, with a second from Gloria Torres, to approve the Joint Election Services Contract between Caldwell County on behalf of the Caldwell County Elections Administrator and Gonzales ISD.

The motion carried 4/0

D. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Resolution Authorizing the Lease of a Portion of Real Property and Improvements to the County of Gonzales to Promote a Public Purpose**

Amanda Smith came to the board seeking approval to Authorize the Lease of a Portion of Real Property and Improvements to the County of Gonzales to Promote a Public Purpose (PACE building)

Josie Smith-Wright asked if the new building that the Master Gardner's brought to the board in a previous meeting was included in the new lease.

Mrs. Smith looked over the lease and stated that the location name would be sufficient for the lease agreement.

Gloria Torres, made a motion with a second from D'Anna Robinson, to approve The Resolution Authorizing the Lease of a Portion of Real Property and Improvements to the County of Gonzales to Promote a Public Purpose.

The motion carried 4/0

Item# 4:Report Items

A. **Update on the Property Located at 1711 M. Sarah Dewitt Dr.**

Amanda Smith updated the board on recent events regarding the prior administrative office located at 1711 N. Sarah Dewitt Dr. to include the possible lease and/ or sale of the property.

Item #5 Adjourn

There being no further business, President Hendershot adjourned the meeting at 12:15 P.M.

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Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary
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GISD School Board Agenda Information Sheet
November 13, 2023

ACTION ITEM

SUBJECT: Discuss and Consider Action to Approve and Accept the Resale Bid for Suit 7236 Property R15946

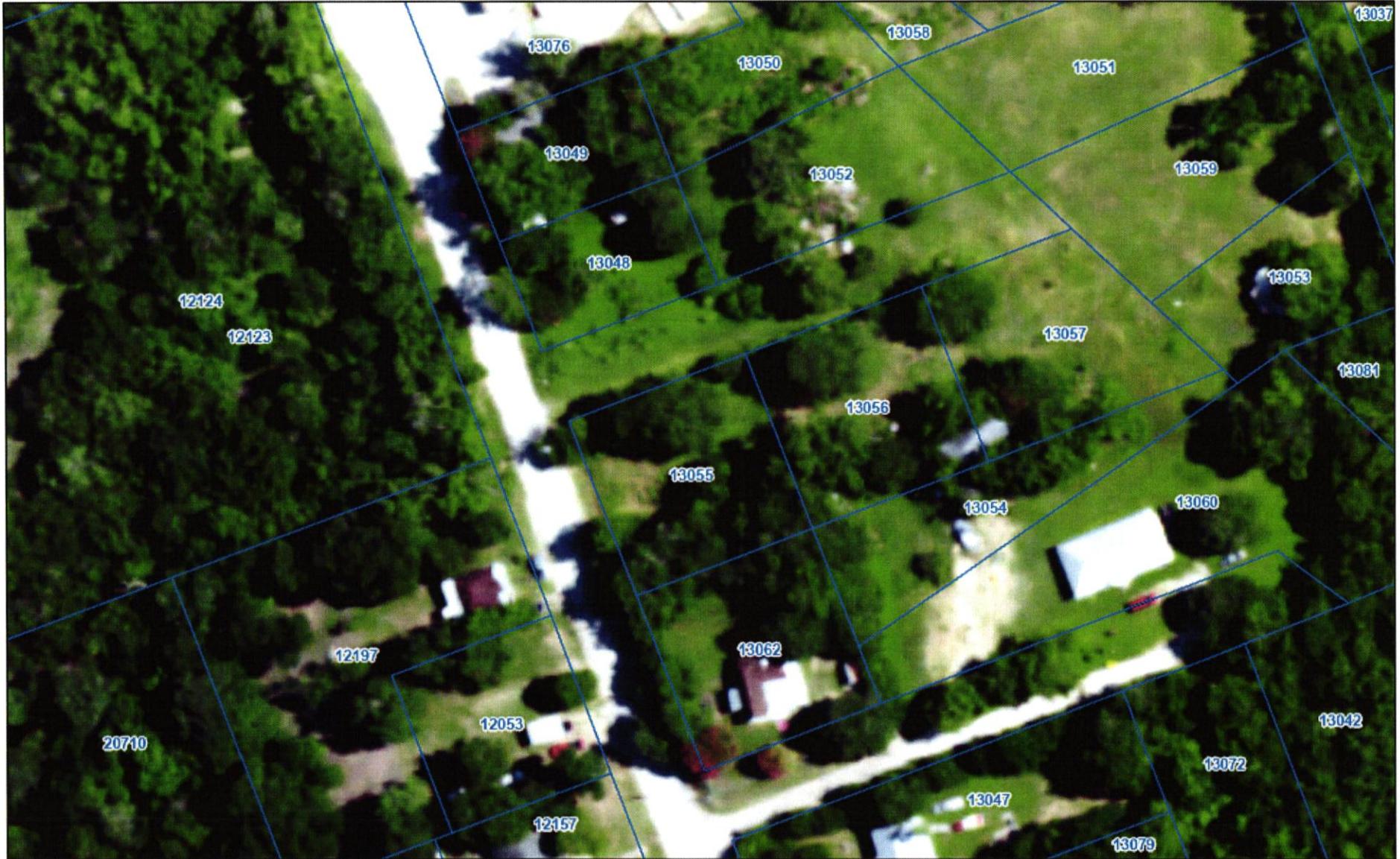
ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

RATIONAL SUMMARY: Gonzales ISD has received notice of the resale bid for property R15946, Suit #7236 from the Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector. The Gonzales County Commissioner's Court accepted the bid on October 10, 2023 pending the approval of other entities.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION: Approve & Accept

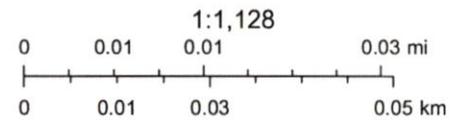
SAMPLE MOTION: *"I move that the board approve and accept the bid submitted for property R15946, as presented"*

Gonzales CAD



10/10/2023, 10:18:54 AM

 Parcels



Texas Geographic Information Office, USDA



Crystal Cedillo, CSTA, PCC, CTOP, PCAC
Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector
TAX RE-SALE BID

To: Gonzales ISD
Dated: October 10, 2023
Re: Suit 7236 – R15946

Please add to your next agenda.

Consider and take action on bid for resale property.

Suit: 7236

Property: R15946

Situs: 200 Block – Plum, Gonzales, TX

Legal: part of Lots 23 & 24, Kings 4th Addition, Gonzales County, Texas, being a portion of property allotted to Augustine Garcia described as "THIRD" in that certain Partition Deed of record in Volume 305, Page 258, Deed Records of Gonzales County, Texas, SAVE & EXCEPT and portion of the property that may be taken up by the railroad right-of-way

Tax Years Due: 2017 - 2023

Court Costs Due: \$75.37

Judgment Date: 10/20/21

Adjudged Value: \$33,500

Current Value: \$42,400

Original Opening Bid: \$7,125.31

Post Judgment Taxes Due: \$3,213.93 (tax years 2021 – 2023)

Original Tax Sale Date: December 6, 2022

Bid Amount: \$3,562.66

Submitted by: Matthew Childress

This bid was accepted by the Gonzales County Commissioner's Court on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 pending the approval of the other entities.

Respectfully submitted,

Crystal Cedillo



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Gloria Torres

D'Anna Robinson

Ashley Molina

GISD School Board Agenda Information Sheet
June 20, 2023

ACTION ITEM

SUBJECT: Discuss and Consider Action on a proposed Interlocal Cooperation Contract between the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) and Gonzales Independent School District (the District) for DPS's lease of the District's property at 1711 Sarah Dewitt Drive, Gonzales, Texas, 78629, for ten (10) years, for \$3,438.00 a month, plus the cost of utilities and services, with an escalation clause for each year

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

RATIONAL SUMMARY: This is a follow-up to the report item provided at the October special meeting. Administration will provide an update on the agreement along with an overview of the lease agreement.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION: Approve

SAMPLE MOTION: *"I move that the Board of Trustees approve the interlocal cooperation contract, as presented"*

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INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT
Between the Texas Department of Public Safety and Gonzales Independent School District

CONTRACTING PARTIES AND AUTHORITY

The Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas (“DPS”), an agency of the State of Texas, and the Gonzales Independent School District, a political subdivision and public school district of the State of Texas, (“Gonzales ISD” or the “District”) (individually referred to as Party and collectively as Parties) enter into this interlocal cooperation contract for the lease of District property (“Agreement” or “Lease”) under the authority of Texas Government Code Chapter 791 (the Interlocal Cooperation Act).

RECITALS

DPS represents that it has the authority to contract for the services agreed upon by the authority granted in Texas Government Code Chapter 411.

Gonzales ISD represents that it has the authority to contract by the authority granted in Chapter 11 of the Education Code.

WHEREAS the District owns office space located at 1711 Sarah Dewitt Drive, Gonzales, Texas, 78629 (“Premises”).

WHEREAS DPS would like to lease the Premises (surface only) for Highway Patrol and Driver’s License Divisions to protect the community as a whole, including the District, from traffic-related incidents, provide District personnel and students with readily available driver’s license services, and decrease truancy by providing District students with accessible means to obtain a driver’s license, including driving tests.

WHEREAS this agreement is between a school district and another governmental entity for a public purpose of the District and further community service.

WHEREAS DPS will pay fair market value to lease the Premises as required by Local Government Code Section 272.001(b).

WHEREAS the Parties intend for the District to retain sole and exclusive right to manage and control the property.

Therefore, the Parties agree that:

I. OBLIGATIONS

The obligations of DPS under this Agreement are as follows:

- A. DPS shall use and operate the Premises and the improvements thereon solely for a public purpose for the District ("Public Purpose"). The Public Purpose will include the following, patrolling roads in the District's jurisdiction to prevent traffic-related accidents, promote traffic safety in the district community, provide District employees and students with readily available DPS services, provide District students with opportunities to obtain a driver's license, and also provide community public purpose for protection of the community as a whole. .
- B. DPS will not sublease or assign its use of the Premises. Any sublease or assignment will be considered void.
- C. DPS acknowledges that Gonzales ISD is providing DPS with the right to use the Premises "as is" with all faults, including but not limited to any and all pollutants, asbestos, underground storage tanks, and/or any other hazardous materials and that Gonzales ISD has not made any representations or warranties as to the condition of such Premises.
- D. DPS will be solely responsible for the management, accountability, and maintenance of all DPS installed security equipment.
- E. DPS will leave any and all fixtures, including trade fixtures, on the Premises upon termination of the Agreement. Before installing any fixtures, DPS shall obtain District's written approval of DPS's plans and specifications (including, without limitation, alterations, signs, colors, materials, and lighting for the Premises). District shall use commercially reasonable efforts to approve or reject the request.
- F. DPS shall directly contract for the provision of, and shall pay for, all water, gas, heat, light, power, telephone, telecommunications, and other utilities and services supplied to the Premises, including groundskeeping and janitorial services, together with any taxes thereon, and hook-up or connection fees associated therewith.
- G. DPS shall bore the sole expense of keeping the Premises in good order, condition, and repair whether or not the need for such repair occurs as a result of DPS's use, any prior use, the elements, or the age of such portion of the Premises. DPS's obligations shall include restorations, replacements, or renewals when necessary to keep the Premises and all improvements thereon or a part thereof in good order, condition, and state of repair.
- H. If District is required to make any such repairs occasioned by the negligent act or omission of DPS, its employees, agents, servants, customers, licensees, and other invitees, the entire cost of such repair shall be borne by DPS.

I. DPS understands and acknowledges that District has no obligation, in any manner, to repair and maintain the Premises, or the equipment therein, all of which obligations are intended to be DPS's.

J. DPS Improvements. By executing this Lease, DPS accepts the Premises in its present condition and DPS shall make no alterations, improvements, or additions to the Premises without the District's written consent except as set out herein. Unless otherwise agreed, DPS shall maintain, repair, and replace any and all alterations, improvements, or additions during the term of the Lease. All buildings or other improvements placed on the Premises shall remain on the Property and the District agrees to take the Premises "as is" and will have the option of either maintaining the improvements or removing them.

K. Government Code Section 2252.909, DPS shall:

i. Include in each contract for the construction, alternation, or repair of an improvement to the Premises a condition that the contractor:

1. Execute a payment bond that confirms to Subchapter I, Chapter 53, Property Code; and
2. Execute a performance bond in an amount equal to the amount of the contract for the protection of the governmental entity and conditioned on the faithful performance of the contractor's work in accordance with the plans, specifications, and contract documents; and

ii. Provide to the District a notice of commencement consistent with Section 2252.909, Texas Government Code, at least 90 days before the date the construction, alteration, or repair of any improvement to the Premises begins.

L. Statutory Requirements for Notice of Commencement. A notice of commencement provided pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2252.909 must:

- i. Identify the public property where the work will be performed;
- ii. Describe the work to be performed;
- iii. State the total cost of the work to be performed;
- iv. Include copies of the performance and payment bonds required in accordance with the statute and this agreement; and
- v. Include a written acknowledgment signed by the contractor stating that copies of the required performance and payment bonds will be provided to all subcontractors not later than the fifth day after the date of a subcontract is executed.

M. Failure to Provide Notice to Proceed

- a. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2252.909, on or before the 10th day after the date the District received a notice of commencement for the construction, alteration, or repair of an improvement to the Premises required under the statute and this Lease, the District may notify the DPS that the construction, alternation, or repair may not proceed.

N. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2252.909, a person commits an offense if the person materially misrepresents information in a notice of commencement. The offense is a Class A misdemeanor.

O. DPS shall, at DPS's expense, maintain at all times during the Term and at all times when DPS is in possession of the Premises the following insurance: **[INSERT INSURANCE]**. DPS shall include the District as an additional insured on all of the policies. Further, DPS shall maintain property and liability coverage on the Premises, adding the District as an additional insured on the policy(ies).

P. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY THE TEXAS CONSTITUTION AND LAW, DPS SHALL INDEMNIFY, PROTECT, DEFEND, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE PREMISES, DISTRICT, AND ITS MEMBERS, TRUSTEES, OFFICIALS, MANAGERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, CONTRACTORS, PARTNERS, AND LENDERS FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, DEMANDS, SUITS, PROCEEDINGS, ORDERS, LOSSES (INCLUDING LOSS OF RENTS), DAMAGES, LIENS, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, ATTORNEYS AND CONSULTANTS' FEES, EXPENSES, AND/OR LIABILITIES (COLLECTIVELY, "CLAIMS") ARISING OUT OF, INVOLVING, OR IN CONNECTION WITH: (A) THE USE AND/OR OCCUPANCY OF THE PREMISES BY DPS; (B) THE CONDUCT OF DPS'S BUSINESS ON THE PREMISES; (C) ANY ACT, OMISSION, FAULT, OR NEGLIGENCE ON OR ABOUT THE PREMISES BY OR OF DPS, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS, SUBTENANTS, LICENSEES, VISITORS, OR INVITEES; OR (D) ANY VIOLATION OF ANY TERMS OF THIS LEASE BY DPS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT SUCH CLAIM IS THE RESULT OF DISTRICT'S GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT. IF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING IS BROUGHT AGAINST DISTRICT BY REASON OF ANY OF THE FOREGOING MATTERS, DPS SHALL UPON NOTICE DEFEND THE SAME AT DPS'S EXPENSE BY COUNSEL REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO DISTRICT AND DISTRICT SHALL REASONABLY COOPERATE WITH DPS IN SUCH DEFENSE. DISTRICT NEED NOT HAVE FIRST PAID ANY SUCH CLAIM IN ORDER TO BE DEFENDED OR INDEMNIFIED. THIS PARAGRAPH WILL SURVIVE THE EXPIRATION OR SOONER TERMINATION OF THIS LEASE.

The obligations of Gonzales ISD are as follows:

- A. Gonzales ISD will allow twenty-four (24) hour access to the Premises, including restrooms.
- B. Gonzales ISD will allow DPS to install necessary security camera(s).
- C. Gonzales ISD will allow DPS to install telephone and internet line and service at DPS's sole expense.
- D. District shall have no liability whatsoever for any delays in causing such repairs to be made, including, without limitation, any liability for injury to or loss to DPS, nor will any delays entitle DPS to any abatement of Rent or damages, or be deemed an eviction of DPS in whole or in part.
- E. Gonzales ISD will have the right to enter the Premises for any purpose at the District's sole discretion.

II. CONTRACT AMOUNT AND BASIS FOR CALCULATING COSTS

Gonzales ISD is providing the use of the Premises at \$3,438.00 a month, exclusive of utilities and services as set forth herein, to DPS. The monthly amount shall increase annually at the rate of the Consumer Price Index, but in no event not less than three percent (3%).

DPS shall provide all utilities, services, and maintenance at its sole cost and expense.

III. TERM OF CONTRACT AND AMENDMENTS

The term of the Agreement is effective on the last date in which both Parties have assigned ("Execution Date") and will terminate ten (10) years from that date. The contract may be renewed by mutual agreement by the parties. Additionally, this contract may be amended by written consent and signed by both Parties.

The Agreement may be terminated at any time by either party with written notice of termination no less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date of termination.

If DPS fails to use the Premises for a public purpose, then the Agreement will be terminated automatically without notice.

IV. NOTICE

All notices required or permitted by this Agreement shall be in writing, may be delivered by hand delivery, regular mail, registered mail, and certified mail with return receipt requested and shall be deemed sufficiently given if served in a manner specified in this Section.

Notices to DPS shall be sent to:

Department of Public Safety
Jessica Warren, Director of Facilities Management and Operations
Infrastructure Operations Division
P.O. Box 4087 MSC 0255, Austin, Texas 78773-0001

With a copy to:

Department of Public Safety, Facilities Leasing Email: FacilitiesLease@dps.texas.gov

Notices to Gonzales ISD shall be sent to:

Gonzales Independent School District
Superintendent Dr. Elmer Avellaneda
1615 Saint Louis Street, Gonzales, Texas 78629

With a copy to:

Ann Greenberg
Walsh, Gallegos, Trevino, Kyle & Robinson, P.C.
505 E. Huntland Dr., Suite 600
Austin, Texas 78752

The undersigned signatories have full authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the respective Parties.

Gonzales Independent School District Authorized Representative <i>Ross Hedershot III</i> <i>Board President</i>
Signature of Authorized Representative Date:

Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas Authorized Representative <i>Walt Goodson</i> <i>Deputy Director, Law Enforcement Services</i>
Signature of Authorized Representative Date:



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ACTION ITEM

SUBJECT: Discuss and Consider Action to amend EIC Local, Local Graduation Honors

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Mr. Jon Basha

RATIONAL SUMMARY: Due to our grading periods changing from a 6 week schedule to a 9 week schedule the Local Policy needs to be amended.

Policy EIC (Local) Academic Achievement - Class Ranking:

Local Graduation Honors: For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank in accordance with this policy and administrative regulations by using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the fifth six-week grading period of the senior year. Grades received in May for dual credit courses shall also be included in the calculation.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:

Option 1: For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the third nine-week grading period of the senior year. The third quarter grade shall be used as the semester grade for this purpose.

Option 2: For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank in accordance with this policy and administrative regulations by using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the fall semester of the senior year.

SAMPLE MOTION: "I move that the Board of Trustees approve _____ as presented"

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REPORT ITEM

SUBJECT: Financial Report

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

RATIONAL SUMMARY: Administration will provide the board with an update on the district's finances.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: n/a

SAMPLE MOTION: n/a

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Financial Report

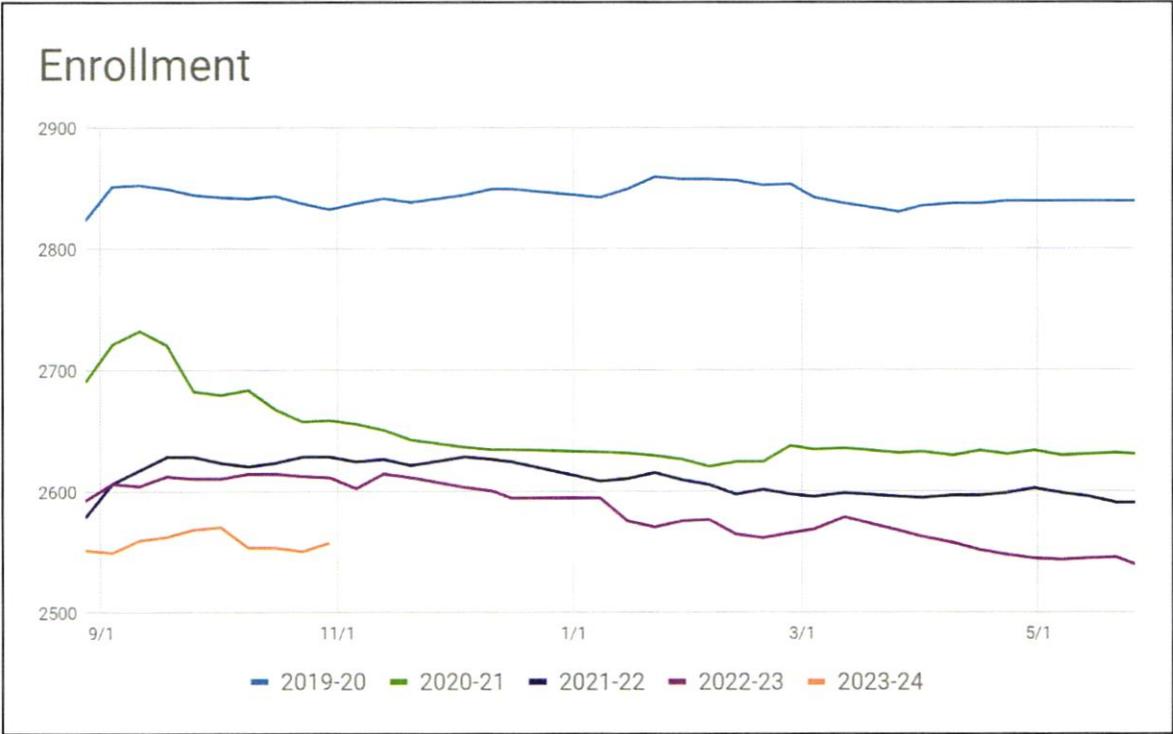
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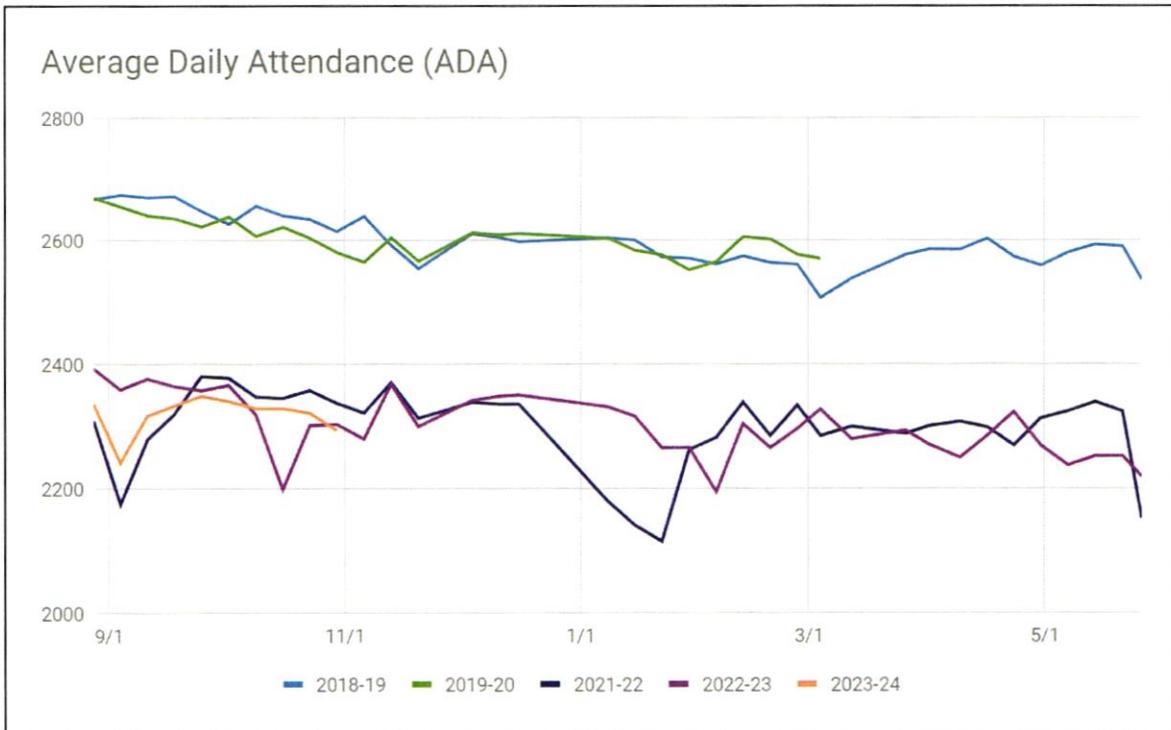
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Chief Financial Officer's Summary
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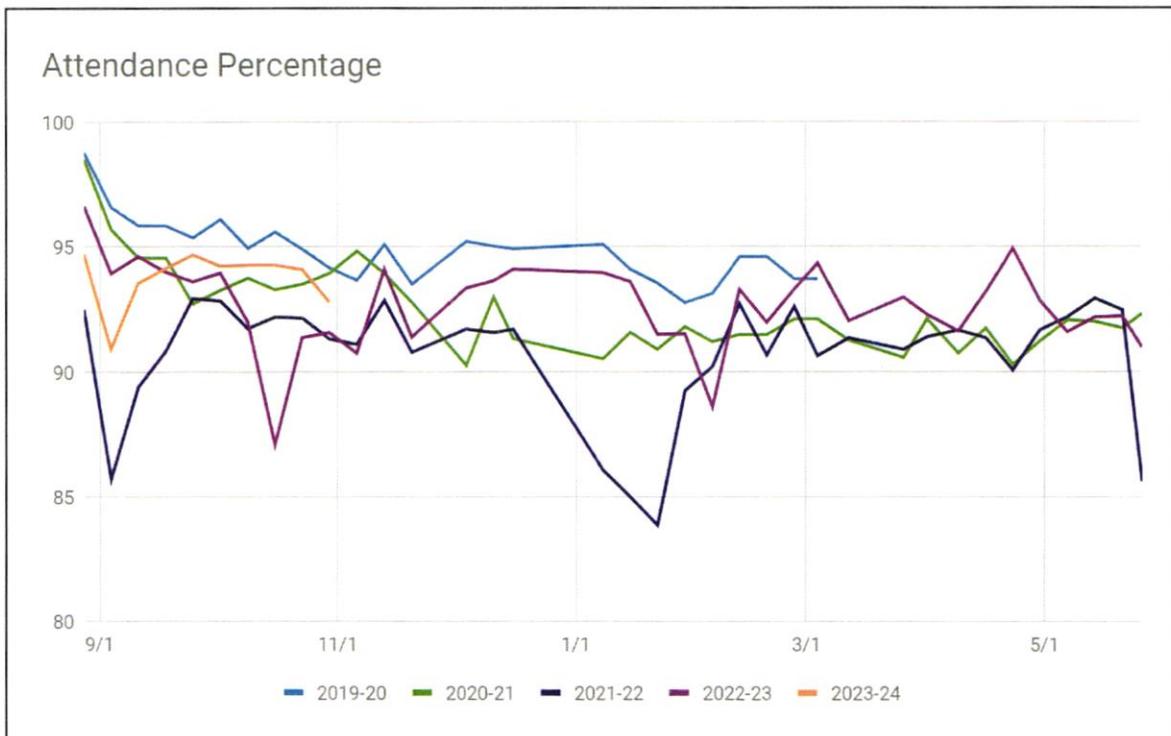
ADA & Enrollment





ADA used during budget development: 2,295

Average ADA through 11/3/23: 2,318 (up 23 from budget)



Average annual attendance percentage (through 11/3/23): 93.89%

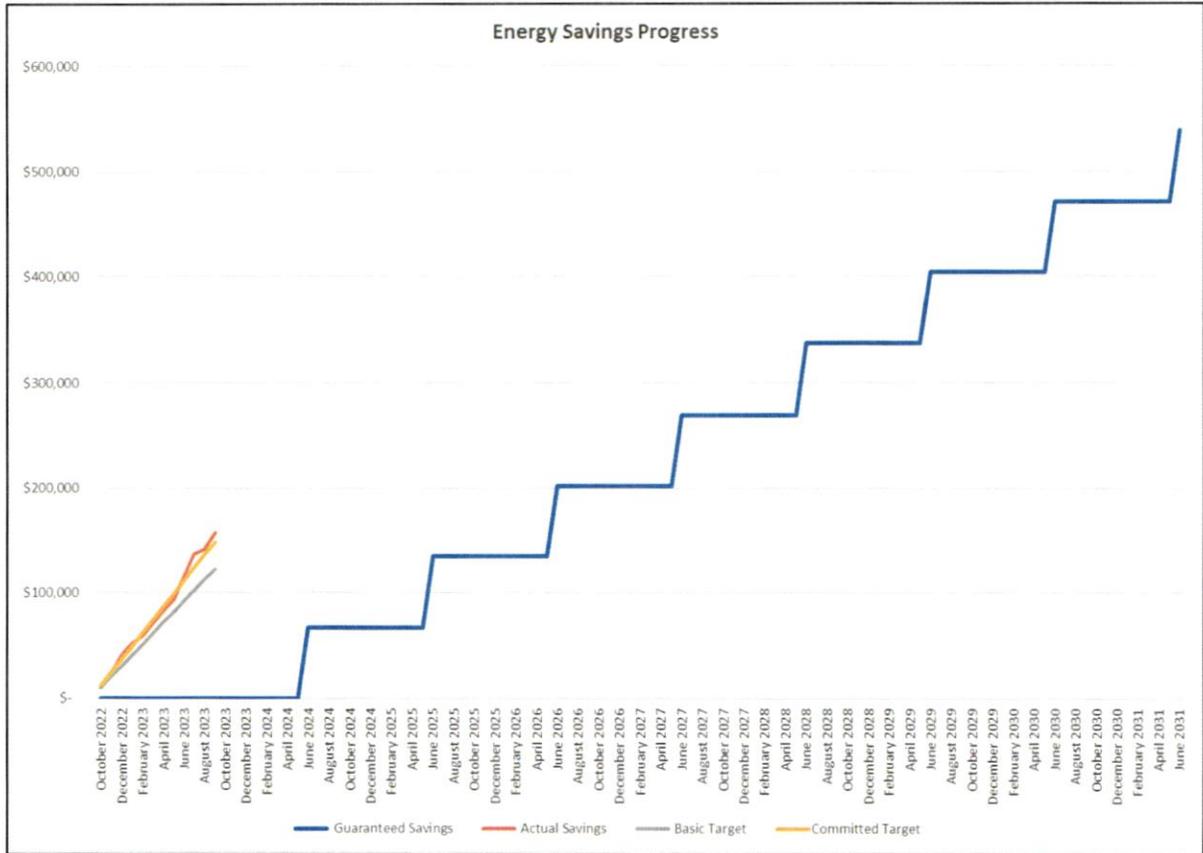
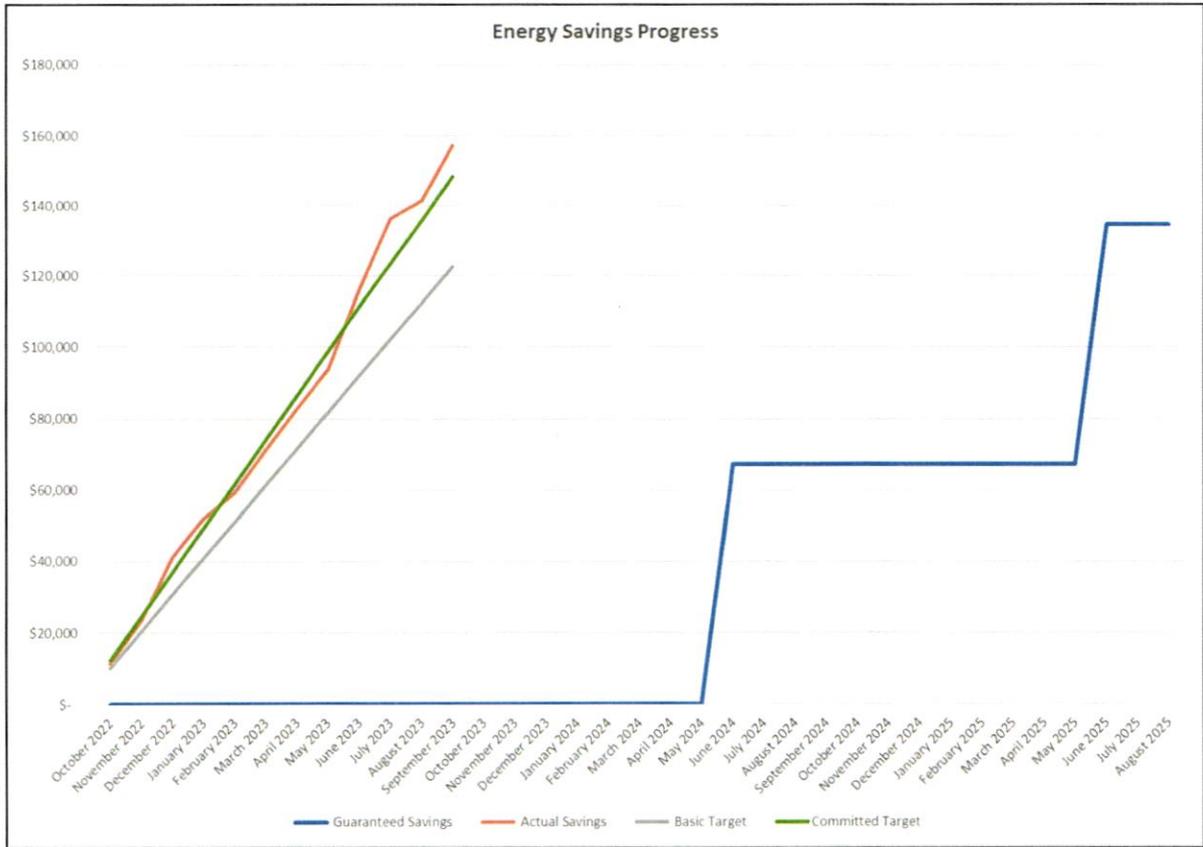
Energy Savings Update

The latest energy savings report was received from Ideal Impact and excerpts have been included below. Although the August savings was below the district’s targets, overall, we’re still ahead of schedule. At only the 12 month mark, we’ve exceeded the guaranteed savings for 33 months.

All Buildings	Total
Oct	\$11,529.80
Nov	\$12,085.70
Dec	\$17,572.47
Jan	\$10,870.86
Feb	\$7,368.59
Mar	\$11,776.18
Apr	\$11,552.09
May	\$11,075.77
Jun	\$22,084.63
Jul	\$20,619.06
Aug	\$5,033.59
Sep	\$15,782.95
Total	\$157,351.69

Cumulative Savings Guarantee	
21 Months	\$ 67,350.13
33 Months	\$ 134,700.25
45 Months	\$ 202,050.38
57 Months	\$ 269,400.50
69 Months	\$ 336,750.63
81 Months	\$ 404,100.75
93 Months	\$ 471,450.88
105 Months	\$ 538,801.00

Basic Target: \$10,224.25/month
 Committed Target: \$12,354.33/month



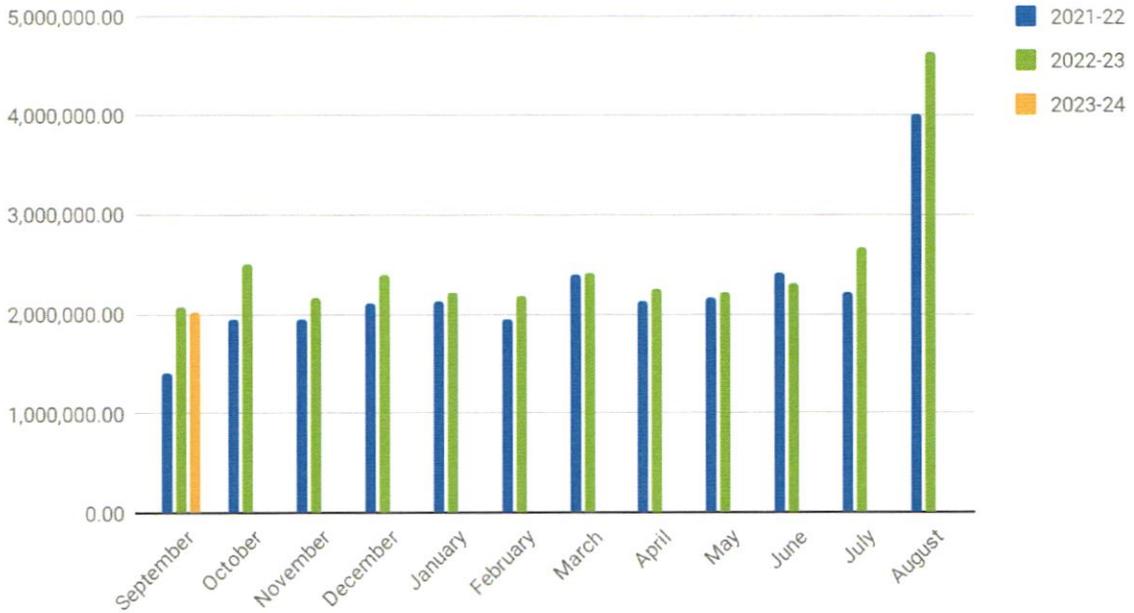
Gonzales ISD
Unaudited/Preliminary Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
As of September 30, 2023

Percent of Fiscal Year Completed 8%
 Percent of 2023-24 School Year Completed 19%

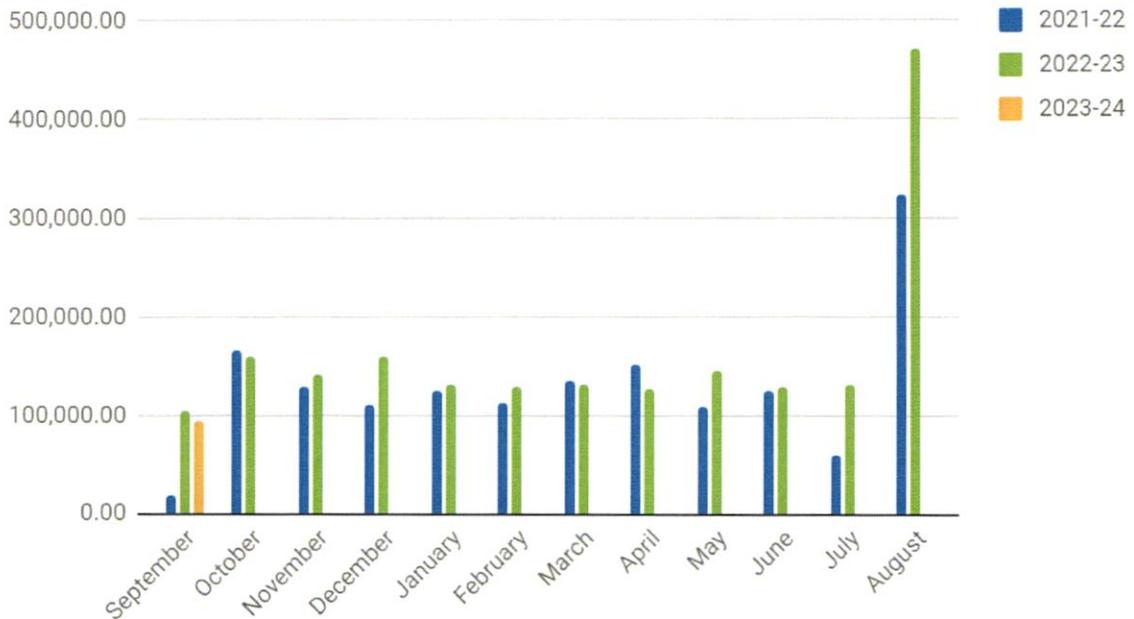
	GENERAL FUND			CHILD NUTRITION FUND			DEBT SERVICE FUND		
	Current Budget	Actual To-Date	% of Budget Recd/Exp	Current Budget	Actual To-Date	% of Budget Recd/Exp	Current Budget	Actual To-Date	% of Budget Recd/Exp
REVENUES									
5700 Local Property Taxes	20,030,181.00	61,864.00	0.31%				2,563,332.00	4,957.83	0.19%
5700 Other Local Sources	903,300.00	141,838.92	15.70%	123,863.00	12,208.20	9.86%	50,040.00	4,169.73	8.33%
5800 State Revenues	8,069,636.00	778,154.04	9.64%	7,000.00	0.00	0.00%	7,754.00		0.00%
5900 Federal Sources	632,469.00	0.00	0.00%	1,967,887.00	215,340.05	10.94%			
TOTAL REVENUES	29,635,586.00	981,856.96	3.31%	2,098,750.00	227,548.25	10.84%	2,621,126.00	9,127.56	0.35%
EXPENDITURES									
0011 Instruction	16,014,806	64,690.22	0.40%						
0012 Instructional Resources & Media Services	281,795	14,091.64	5.00%						
0013 Curriculum & Staff Development	569,394	35,006.94	6.15%						
0021 Instructional Leadership	524,292	35,470.90	6.77%						
0023 School Leadership	1,853,791	79,314.14	4.28%						
0031 Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation	935,517	19,579.86	2.09%						
0032 Social Work Services	78,345	0.00	0.00%						
0033 Health Services	412,113	0.00	0.00%						
0034 Student Transportation	1,434,811	106,280.05	7.41%						
0035 Food Service	15,000	0.00	0.00%	2,099,250.00	94,294.90	4.49%			
0036 Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities	1,296,622	40,305.72	3.11%						
0041 General Administration	2,003,953	168,525.23	8.41%						
0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	4,448,387	725,417.03	16.31%						
0052 Security & Monitoring Services	660,547	71,310.68	10.80%						
0053 Data Processing Services	1,047,766	159,983.52	15.27%						
0061 Community Services	11,050	176.08	1.59%						
0071 Debt Services	751,496	369,050.06	49.11%				2,621,126.00	0.00	0.00%
0091 Contracted Inst Services Btw Public Schools	314,527	0.00	0.00%						
0099 Other Intergovernmental Charges	514,828	125,856.00	24.45%						
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	33,169,040.00	2,015,058.07	6.08%	2,099,250.00	94,294.90	4.49%	2,621,126.00	0.00	0.00%
7915 Operational Transfer In				500.00	0.00	0.00%			
8911 Operational Transfer Out	500.00	0.00	0.00%						
NET ACTIVITY	(3,533,954.00)	(1,033,201.11)		0.00	133,253.35		0.00	9,127.56	

*Blended accounting method: Cash & accrual basis.
 *These numbers are subject to change until the final AFR is prepared and accepted/approved.

Monthly Expenditure Level Comparison: General Fund



Monthly Expenditure Level Comparison: Food Service Fund



Crystal Cedillo, Tax Assessor-Collector

Monthly Statement of Ad Valorem Collections

September 2023

MONTHLY COLLECTIONS

CURRENT TAX	\$27,402.94	
PENALTY & INTEREST ON CURRENT	\$4,862.32	
PRIOR YEAR DELINQUENT TAXES	\$22,726.93	
PENALTY & INTEREST ON DELQ	\$11,834.72	
TOTAL COLLECTED	\$66,826.91	

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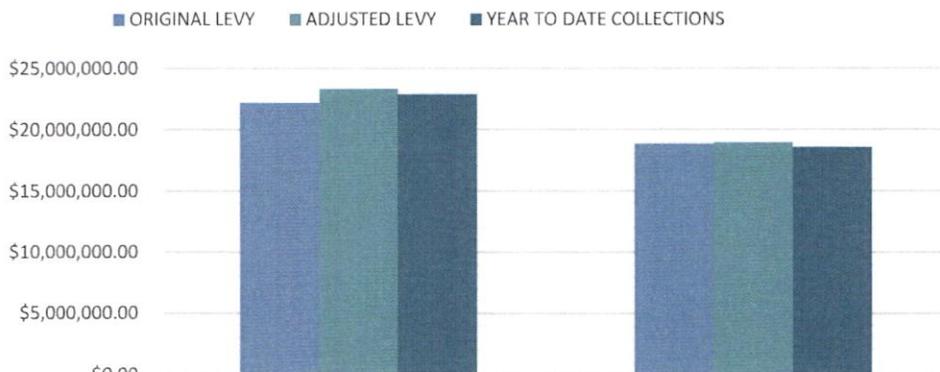
5% RENDITION PENALTY TO APPRAISAL DISTRICT	\$5.08	
1% COMMISSION TO GONZALES COUNTY	\$ 668.27	

BALANCE DUE GONZALES ISD \$66,153.56

	M&O	I&S
18-Sep	\$38,440.94	\$3,202.96
29-Sep	\$22,754.79	\$1,754.87
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$61,195.73	\$4,957.83

LEVY SUMMARY	2022 AMOUNT	2021 AMOUNT
ORIGINAL LEVY	\$22,183,693.95	\$ 18,873,596.75
ADJUSTED LEVY	\$23,315,960.40	\$ 18,968,364.96
YEAR TO DATE COLLECTIONS	\$22,896,323.22	\$ 18,606,725.69
% OF CURRENT ROLL COLLECTED	98.20%	98.09%
YTD DELINQUENT COLLECTIONS	\$290,502.72	\$ 335,751.18

2 Year Collection Comparison



	2022 AMOUNT	2021 AMOUNT
ORIGINAL LEVY	\$22,183,693.95	\$18,873,596.75
ADJUSTED LEVY	\$23,315,960.40	\$18,968,364.96
YEAR TO DATE COLLECTIONS	\$22,896,323.22	\$18,606,725.69



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REPORT ITEM

SUBJECT: Superintendent's Report

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent

RATIONAL SUMMARY: Information provided by the superintendent is designed to keep the Board of Trustees informed regarding daily operations of the school district.

A. Enrollment as of 10/5/2023: 2554

B. Daily Average Attendance for the District: 93.45

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: N/A

SAMPLE MOTION: N/A

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INFORMATION ITEM

SUBJECT: Board Business

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

AUTHORITY FOR THIS ACTION: GISD School Board Policy BF (Local)

RATIONAL SUMMARY: Information provided through the Board Business section of the agenda aimed at keeping trustees informed of routine correspondence.

***Added Items**

November 17, 2023	Special Board Meeting(Canvass November 7 th Election)
November 20-24, 2023	Thanksgiving Break
December 11, 2023	Regular Board Meeting



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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 closed or Executive Session or meeting, concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Texas Government Code chapter 551, including, but not limited to:

- 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;
- 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



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