Hellgate Elementary Board of Trustees

Special Meeting September 23rd, 2025
12:00 p.m.

OPENING

The Board of Trustees of Hellgate Elementary School District #4 met in special session on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. in the board room of the Hellgate Elementary Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Tom McLaughlin. Trustees in attendance were: Tom McLaughlin, Rich Thornock, Jacquelyn Ryan, Beth Herron, Tom Cook, and Kallie Gatzemeier. Trustee Scott Rouse was absent. Superintendent Molly Blakely and District Clerk Justine Reese were present for the meeting. District Staff members in attendance were Brendan Brown (Special Services Director), Jamie Courville (Middle School Principal), Brian Hall (Counselor), and Hannah Breeden (Psychologist). There were up to 12 total guests/participants in the meeting, in-person.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Discussion of District Safety Review

Superintendent Blakely requested a closed session for the District Safety Review. Board Chair McLaughlin granted the request and called for a closed session of the board, "The next matter to come before the Board for consideration is a personal matter and in this connection it has been determined as follows: (1) that the matter of individual privacy is involved, (2) that such privacy demands protection of the individual for the sake of reputation and otherwise that little, if anything could be gained by publicly disclosing the information to be discussed, & (3) that the demand of individual privacy, in this matter clearly exceeds the merits of public disclosure." Guests were excused from the meeting. The Trustees, Superintendent, District Clerk, Middle School Principal, Special Services Director, Psychologist, and Counselor remained for the review. The meeting was closed at 12:01 p.m.

Executive Session

The Board came out of executive session at 12:46 p.m.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:47 pm.

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Tom McLaughlin, Board Chair Justine Reese, Business Manager/Clerk