

## **GALENA PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING**

#### **Regular Meeting**

Monday, January 12, 2026

Administration Building of Galena Park Independent School District

14705 Woodforest Blvd.

Houston, TX 77015

6:00 PM

The Board of Trustees of Galena Park Independent School District met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, January 12, 2026 with the following members present: President, Ramon Garza; Vice President, Linda Clark Sherrard; Secretary, Jose Jimenez; Trustees: Adrian Stephens, Noe Esparza, Norma Hernandez, Amanda Erebia and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez recorded the minutes. Trustee, Adrian Stephens was late to the meeting. She went straight into Executive Session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 5:05 p.m., the Board met in Executive Session as authorized by Sections 551.001 through 551.084, et seq of the Texas Government Code pursuant to:

- A. Section 551.071 Attorney/Client Consultation - For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.**
- B. Section 551.074 Personnel - Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public employee.**
  - 1. Consider Board Member responsibilities.
  - 2. Consider Superintendent responsibilities.
- C. Section 551.087 Economic Development Negotiations - Discuss or Deliberate Commercial or Financial Information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations.**
  - 1. Discussion on an agreement for a limitation on the taxable value of property for maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes with NRG Greens Bayou 6, LLC, Texas Comptroller or Public Accounts Application J0017.

At 5:54 p.m., Mr. Garza announced that Executive Session was adjourned.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** At 5:54 p.m., Mr. Garza called the Public Hearing to order and introduced Dr. Kimberly Martin, Executive Director for Accountability and Academic Support, who presented the 2024-2025 Annual Report to the Board of Trustees.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

**REGULAR MEETING:** At 6:06 p.m., Mr. Garza called the meeting to order. Norma Hernandez opened the meeting with a prayer, North Shore Middle School Army LOTC presented the pledges to the American and Texas flags.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT ITEMS:**

- A. Public Comment for Posted Agenda Items**

There were no public comments for posted agenda items.
- B. Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items**
  - o Ms. Laura Alvarado, with Harris County Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia's office, recognized and thanked the board for everything they do on behalf of Commissioner Garcia.
  - o Mr. Frank Gonzalez, with Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia's office, recognized and thanked the board for everything they do on behalf of Congresswoman Garcia.
  - o Dr. Sherrhonda Hunter, Executive Director for School & Community Relations, acknowledged dignitary proclamations/certificates/resolutions received by the District from the North Channel Area Chamber of Commerce, Galena Park Mayor, Esmeralda Moya, Senator Carol Alvarado, State Representative Ana Hernandez and Commissioner Rodney Ellis.

**RECOGNITION:** Dr. Moore and Noe Esparza recognized the following:

#### **A. Employee:**

- 1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the North Shore Senior High School Band Program, under the direction of Mr. Shane Goforth, for receiving the Earl D. Irons Program of Distinction award. North Shore Senior High School is only the fifth school in Texas to receive the Earl D. Irons Program of Distinction in the award's history.

**B. Student:**

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the North Shore Mustang Varsity Football Team for defeating the Duncanville Panthers on December 20, 2025, to win the 2025 UIL Texas Football 6A Division 1 State Championship. This is North Shore's second state championship in five years and sixth state championship overall.
2. Galena Park ISD will recognize the top individual and team Geography Bee winners:  
Elementary Overall Top Scorer - Matthew Pena, MacArthur Elementary  
Middle School Overall Top Scorer -  
Adrian Calderon, Woodland Acres Middle School  
Elementary School Team Winners -  
Corbin Kegler, Woodland Acres Elementary School  
Antonio Luviano, Woodland Acres Elementary School  
Nicholas Wong, Woodland Acres Elementary School  
Middle School Team Winners -  
Noah Anguiano, Woodland Acres Middle School  
Adrian Calderon, Woodland Acres Middle School  
Angel Fuentes, Woodland Acres Middle School
3. Galena Park ISD will recognize the top individual and team Social Studies Bee winners:  
Overall Top Scorer and Ruby Gresham Scholarship Winner - Estevan Garza, North Shore Senior High School  
Team Winners -  
Roberto Barrientos, CTE Early College High School  
Luz Campos, CTE Early College High School  
Jeshua Puente, CTE Early College High School  
Alexia Saenz, CTE Early College High School

**BOARD COMMENTS:** Ramon Garza, congratulated the North Shore Mustangs on their state championship win. Jose Jimenez, thanked and recognized the band and everyone that participated at the game. Adrian Stephens, thanked the trainers and the parents. Amanda Erebia, thanked the community.

**DISTRICT SPOTLIGHT:** Dr. Sherrhonda Hunter, Executive Director for School & Community Relations presented the Spotlight.

**REPORTS:** Mr. Garza introduced Ed Martir, Director for Facility Planning & Construction, who provided a 2016 & 2024 Bond Program and Facilities construction update.

**NEW BUSINESS – ACTION:**

Mr. Garza asked the Board if there was a motion to approve an amendment to Galena Park ISD's District of Innovation Local Innovation Plan.

A motion was made by Amanda Erebia and seconded by Noe Esparza to approve an amendment to Galena Park ISD's District of Innovation Local Innovation Plan as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

| Board Member         | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Ramon Garza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Linda Clark Sherrard | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Jose Jimenez         | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Adrian Stephens      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Noe Esparza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Norma Hernandez      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Amanda Erebia        | ✓   |         |         |        |

Mr. Garza asked the Board if there was a motion to approve an agreement for a limitation on the taxable value of property for maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes with NRG Greens Bayou 6, LLC, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Application J0017.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Amanda Erebia to approve an agreement with NRG Greens Bayou 6, LLC, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Application J0017, as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

| Board Member | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|--------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Ramon Garza  | ✓   |         |         |        |

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|----------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Linda Clark Sherrard | ✓ |  |  |  |
| Jose Jimenez         | ✓ |  |  |  |
| Adrian Stephens      | ✓ |  |  |  |
| Noe Esparza          | ✓ |  |  |  |
| Norma Hernandez      | ✓ |  |  |  |
| Amanda Erebia        | ✓ |  |  |  |

**CONSENT AGENDAS – ACTION:** So that audience members might better understand the Consent Agenda process, Mr. Garza stated that the Board members receive Agenda Items prior to each Board meeting and are given adequate time to go through each Agenda Item thoroughly and to ask questions of the staff, if needed.

Mr. Garza asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the General Consent Agenda.

**A. General Consent Agenda:**

1. Consider approval of the minutes for the Workshop and Regular Meeting held on December 8.

A motion was made by Adrian Stephens and seconded by Jose Jimenez to approve the General Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

| Board Member         | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Ramon Garza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Linda Clark Sherrard | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Jose Jimenez         | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Adrian Stephens      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Noe Esparza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Norma Hernandez      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Amanda Erebia        | ✓   |         |         |        |

Mr. Garza asked the Board if any item from the Construction Consent Agenda should be removed for separate vote. No item was requested for separate vote, and the Construction Consent Agenda was presented for a motion.

**A. Construction Consent Agenda:**

1. Consider approval of Smith & Company Architects as the architectural firm for renovations and additions at MacArthur Elementary School.
2. Consider approval of Pfluger Architects, Inc., as the architectural firm for renovations and additions at Woodland Acres Middle School and Purple Sage Elementary School.
3. Consider approval of PBK Architects, Inc., as the architectural firm for renovations and additions at Galena Park Middle School.

A motion was made by Amanda Erebia and seconded by Adrian Stephens to approve the Construction Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

| Board Member         | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Ramon Garza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Linda Clark Sherrard | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Jose Jimenez         | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Adrian Stephens      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Noe Esparza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Norma Hernandez      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Amanda Erebia        | ✓   |         |         |        |

Mr. Garza asked the Board if any item from the Financial Consent Agenda should be removed for separate vote. No item was requested for separate vote, and the Financial Consent Agenda was presented for a motion.

**A. Financial Consent Agenda:**

1. Consider approval of the purchase of weights for the Galena Park High School Fieldhouse from ASB Sports Acquisition, Inc., dba Game One, via BuyBoard contract #766-25, at an estimated one-time purchase amount of \$260,000.
2. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of December 2025.
3. Consider approval of the award of RFP 26-003 Perimeter Security Fencing and Gates for the term of February 1, 2026, through January 31, 2027, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$300,000 with the following vendors:

Foster Fence LTD  
Kantara Fencing  
Quality Fencing  
Quinn Construction  
Westco Ventures LLC

4. Consider approval of renewal RFP 22-002 Elevator and Wheelchair Lifts Maintenance, Repair, and Inspections for the term of February 1, 2026, through January 31, 2027, with Elevator Transportation Services, Inc. at an estimated expenditure of \$100,000.
5. Consider approval of the Annual Comprehensive Financial and Single Audit Reports for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2025, as presented.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

| Board Member         | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Ramon Garza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Linda Clark Sherrard | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Jose Jimenez         | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Adrian Stephens      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Noe Esparza          | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Norma Hernandez      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Amanda Erebia        | ✓   |         |         |        |

**INFORMATION:** The following documents were presented for information:

**A. Wanna Giacona, Chief Administrative Officer, presented:**

1. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes - November 2025
2. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary - November 2025

**B. Ben Pape, Chief Financial Officer, presented:**

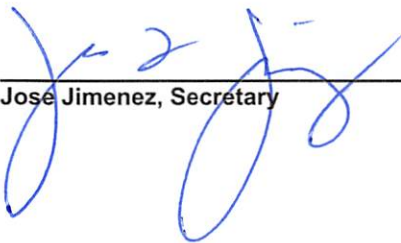
1. Tax Collection Report - November 2025
2. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of November 30, 2025
3. 2024 Bond Program Financial Report as of November 30, 2025
4. General Fund Budget Summary Report for the Period of September 1, 2025, through November 30, 2025

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.



Ramon Garza, President

**ATTEST:**



Jose Jimenez, Secretary