

GALENA PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Regular Meeting

Monday, February 9, 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, February 9, 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. Linda Sherrard was late to the beginning part of Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:30 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 551.072 Real Property** - Discuss or deliberate purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
 - 1. Consider approval of the letter of support for submission to Harris County Precinct 2 as part of the 2026 Call for Partnership Projects supporting elementary sidewalk improvements to promote safe walking routes to school.
- C. **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.
 - 3. Consider approval of the employment of contractual personnel as presented.

At 6:01 p.m., Mr. Garza announced that Executive Session was adjourned, and the Board would meet in Public Session for the following action on items discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Garza called for a motion to approve the letter of support for submission to Harris County Precinct 2 as part of the 2026 Call for Partnership Projects supporting elementary sidewalk improvements to promote safe walking routes to school.

A motion was made by Amanda Erebia and seconded by Norma Hernandez. 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 called for a motion to approve the employment of contractual personnel as presented.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Adrian Stephens. 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	✓			

REGULAR MEETING: At 6:03 p.m., Mr. Garza called the meeting to order. Amanda Erebia opened the meeting with a prayer, Cobb 6th Grade Campus 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**
There were no public comments for non-agenda items.

RECOGNITION: Dr. Moore and Norma Hernandez recognized the following:

- A. **Employee:**
- 1. Galena Park ISD will recognize the Business Services Budget Department for earning the Association of School Business Officials' International Meritorious Budget Award of Merit for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.
 - 2. Galena Park ISD will recognize the Business Services Purchasing Department for earning the Texas Association of School Business Officials' Award of Merit for Purchasing Operations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2025.
 - 3. Galena Park ISD will recognize the Business Services Department for earning the Association of School Business Officials' International Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024, and the Government Finance Officer Association Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024.

BOARD COMMENTS: Jose Jimenez extended his gratitude to the Business Office for all of their hard work.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT: Marcus Morrow, Principal of the Accelerated Center for Education presented the Spotlight.

REPORTS: Mr. Garza introduced Jerid Link, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resource Services, presented the district policies DGBA (LOCAL) Personnel-Management Relations: Employee Complaints/Grievances, FNG (LOCAL) Student Rights and Responsibilities: Student and Parent Complaints/Grievances, and GF (LOCAL) Public Complaints as presented for Board of Trustees review at first and final reading.

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

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION:

Mr. Garza asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the Board Resolution authorizing the District to pay employees for the missed workday or any work performed to directly mitigate the emergency closure on January 26, 2026, due to inclement weather conditions, in accordance with the purpose and parameters outlined in the resolution.

A motion was made by Linda Sherrard and seconded by Jose Jimenez to approve the Board Resolution authorizing the District to pay employees for the missed workday, 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 the Order of Trustees Election calling for an election to be held in the Galena Park Independent School District on May 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing 3 trustees to the Board for regular terms for the following positions: Position 5, Position 6, and Position 7.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez and seconded by Adrian Stephens to approve the Order of Trustee Election, 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 to renew the Galena Park ISD's District of Innovation Local Innovation Plan.

A motion was made by Amanda Erebia and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve to renew the 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 to decline to designate time each school day at every campus for students and employees to pray and read the Bible or other religious texts.

A motion was made by Jose Jimenez and seconded by Noe Esparza to approve to decline to designate time each school day at every campus for students and employees to pray and read the Bible or other religious Texas, 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 the aforementioned proposed amendments to GPISD Board Policies DGBA (LOCAL) Personnel-Management Relations: Employee Complaints/Grievances, FNG (LOCAL) Student Rights and Responsibilities: Student and Parent Complaints/Grievances, and GF (LOCAL) Public Complaints at first and final reading.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Amanda Erebia to approve the aforementioned proposed amendments to GPISD Board Policies, 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	✓			

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 any item from the General Consent Agenda should be removed for a separate vote. No item was requested for separate vote, and the General Consent Agenda was presented for a motion.

A. General Consent Agenda:

1. Consider approval of the minutes for the Workshop and Regular Meeting held on January 12.
2. Consider approval of the academic calendar for the 2026–2027 school year as presented.

3. Consider approval of the Galena Park ISD amended list of appraisers for the 2025-2026 school year.
4. Consider approval of the low attendance waiver application to the Texas Education Agency, for low attendance days in December due to safety, to be removed from the calculations for average daily attendance.

A motion was made by Adrian Stephens and seconded by Norma Hernandez 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 the selection of UES Professional Solutions 44, LLC, as the Professional Services firm for materials testing for Galena Park High School Phase 3B.
2. Consider approval of the award of CSP 25-606 for the Roof Replacements and/or Repairs and HVAC upgrades at North Shore Middle School and Cunningham Middle School (Project B108) to DivisionOne Construction, LLC, for an estimated amount not to exceed \$6,985,500, including a \$300,000 owner's contingency allowance.
3. Consider approval of the award of CSP 25-605 for the Galena Park High School Package 3B (Academic Wing, Multi-Purpose Facility, and Athletics Complex) (Project B104) to Satterfield & Pontikes Construction, Inc., for an estimated amount not to exceed \$88,276,000, which represents the base proposal, contingency allowances, and alternates.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza 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 two special education support vehicles for the term of February 10, 2026, through August 31, 2026, from Masters Transportation Inc, via TIPS/TAPS contract #230204, at an estimated amount of \$200,000.
2. Consider approval of the purchase of eight support vehicles for the term of February 10, 2026, through August 31, 2026, from Caldwell Country Chevrolet, LLC, via BuyBoard contract #724-23, at an estimated amount of \$400,000.
3. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of January 2026.
4. Consider approval of renewal RFP 22-003 Covered Walkways, Metal Buildings, & Metal Roofs for the term of March 1, 2026, through February 28, 2027, from The Deck & Canopy Company, LLC and Sheffield Construction at an estimated annual expenditure of \$350,000.
5. Consider approval of award renewal of RFP 22-005 Furniture – Office, Classroom, Cafeteria, and Specialty Furnishings for the term of March 1, 2026, through February 28, 2027, for an estimated expenditure of \$5,000,000 with the following vendors:
Indeco Sales, Inc.
J.R., Inc

Lakeshore Learning Materials, LLC
Liberty Office Products
School Outfitters LLC
Tesco Industries, LLC

6. Consider approval of the purchase of Dell computers and monitors for the term of February 10, 2026, through August 31, 2026, from Dell Computer Corporation via TX DIR-CPO-5792 at an estimated amount of \$80,000.
7. Consider approval of the purchase of Conscious Discipline Training & Materials for the term of February 10, 2026, through August 31, 2026, from Conscious Discipline Holdings, LLC dba Loving Guidance, LLC via Region 19/Allied States Cooperative #24-7474 at an estimated amount of \$86,000.
8. Consider approval of the purchase of interactive panels, PC modules, Chromebooks, licenses, and computer-related consumables for the term of February 10, 2026, through August 31, 2026, from Prime Systems via BuyBoard 760-25 at an estimated amount of \$200,000.
9. Consider approval of the renewal of ZeroEyes, Inc. service for the term of March 5, 2026, through March 4, 2027, from ZeroEyes, Inc. via TIPS 250101 & 250106 at an estimated amount of \$85,000.
10. Consider approval of the resolution committing 100% of the grant-awarded funds from the Governor's Public Safety Office to purchase ballistic shields to enhance the District's emergency preparedness with the Active Attack Response Equipment Grant FY 2027 in the amount of \$100,000.
11. Consider approval of the purchase of Mag Safe Chargers to be used for employee appreciation for the District for the term of February 10, 2026, through June 30, 2026, from Brady Hull & Associates via RFP22-008 General Merchandise at an estimated amount of \$70,000.
12. Consider approval of the purchase for the renewal of the content management system for the term of October 1, 2026, through October 1, 2030, from Active Internet Technologies dba Finalsia via TIPS #230105 at an estimated amount of \$455,000.

A motion was made by Jose Jimenez and seconded by Amanda Erebia 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	✓			

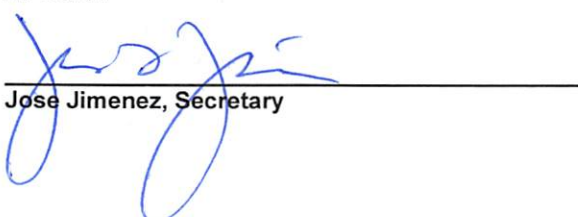
INFORMATION: The following documents were presented for information:

- A. **Wanna Giacona, Chief Administrative Officer, presented:**
- B. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes — December 2025
- C. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary - December 2025
- D. **Ben Pape, Chief Financial Officer presented:**
 1. Tax Collection Report — December 2025
 2. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of December 31, 2025
 3. 2024 Bond Program Financial Report as of December 31, 2025
 4. Quarterly Investment 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 6:38 p.m.


Ramon Garza, President

ATTEST:


Jose Jimenez, Secretary