GALENA PARK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 5, 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, October 5, 2026 with the following members present: President, Linda Clark Sherrard; Vice President, Jose Jimenez; Secretary, Amanda Erebia; Trustees: Ramon Garza, Adrian Stephens, Noe Esparza, Norma Hernandez and Dr. John Moore, Superintendent of Schools. Elizabeth Valdez Beltran recorded the minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:49 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 purchase of property located at 803 Keene Street, Galena Park, TX 77547, and related improvements, located in Harris County, Texas, for use in future development of school-related facilities, and authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and execute a final sale and purchase agreement and related closing documents.
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.
D. **Section 551.076 - Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits**
1. Discussion of intruder detection audits.
E. **Section 551.089 - Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits**
1. Discussion of intruder detection audits.

At 6:07 p.m., Mrs. Sherrard announced that Executive Session was adjourned, and the Board would meet in Public Session for the following action on items discussed in Executive Session.

Mrs. Sherrard called for a motion to approve the purchase of property located at 803 Keene Street, Galena Park, TX 77547, and related improvements, located in Harris County, Texas, for use in future development of school-related facilities, and authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and execute a final sale and purchase agreement and related closing documents.

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
Linda Clark Sherrard	✓			
Jose Jimenez	✓			
Amanda Erebia	✓			
Ramon Garza	✓			
Adrian Stephens	✓			
Noe Esparza	✓			
Norma Hernandez	✓			

REGULAR MEETING: At 6:08 p.m., Mrs. Sherrard called the meeting to order. Amanda Erebia opened the meeting with a prayer, Woodland Acres Middle School color guard 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 Adrian Stephens recognized the following:

A. **Employee:**

1. Galena Park ISD will recognize North Shore Senior High School band teachers Justin Cooperman, Danny Rubio, and Michael Tenaglio for leading the North Shore Senior High School Symphonic Band to National Winner recognition in the Foundation for Music Education's Citation of Excellence Concert Band contest.

BOARD COMMENTS: There were no board comments.

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT: Sandra Rodriguez, Principal of Woodland Acres Elementary School presented the Spotlight.

REPORTS: Mrs. Sherrard introduced Ed Martir, Director for Facility Planning & Construction, provided a 2024 Bond Program and Facilities Construction ppdate.

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION:

Mrs. Sherrard asked the Board if there was a motion to approve adopting the resolution for the property tax rate to be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of $1.28301, establishing a Maintenance and Operations tax rate of $0.86870, and a Debt Service tax rate of $0.41431, which is effectively a 1.00 percent increase in the tax rate.

A motion was made by Noe Esparza and seconded by Norma Hernandez to approve the adopting the resolution for the property tax rate as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

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

Mrs. Sherrard asked the Board if there was a motion to approve designation of ten non-business days, as presented, to comply with Texas Public Information Act timelines.

A motion was made by Jose Jimenez and seconded by Adrian Stephens to approve the designation of ten non-business days as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

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

Mrs. Sherrard asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the purchase of fuel for the term of October 6, 2026, through September 30, 2027, from Colonial Oil Industries, Inc in accordance with the Texas Education Code section 44.031(a)? Vehicle fuel is exempt from state competitive bidding procurement statutes at an estimated amount of $2,000,000.

A motion was made by Amanda Erebia and seconded by Adrian Stephens to approve the purchase of fuel, as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-1.

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

CONSENT AGENDAS – ACTION: So that audience members might better understand the Consent Agenda process, Mrs. Sherrard 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.

Mrs. Sherrard 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 Board Workshop and Regular Meeting held on September 14.
2. Consider approval of the resolution and adjunct faculty status of the named Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service employees.
3. Consider approval of the Targeted Improvement Plan for Green Valley Elementary School as presented.
4. Consider approval of the College, Career, and Military Readiness plan for Galena Park ISD as presented.

A motion was made by Norma Hernandez 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
Linda Clark Sherrard	✓			
Jose Jimenez	✓			
Amanda Erebia	✓			
Ramon Garza	✓			
Adrian Stephens	✓			
Noe Esparza	✓			
Norma Hernandez	✓			

Mrs. Sherrard asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the Construction Consent Agenda.

A. **Construction Consent Agenda:**

1. Consider approval of the baseball and softball field renovations at North Shore Senior High School by Sports Field Solutions via BuyBoard Contract #737-21, for an estimated amount of $165,000.

A motion was made by Ramon Garza 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
Linda Clark Sherrard	✓			
Jose Jimenez	✓			
Amanda Erebia	✓			
Ramon Garza	✓			
Adrian Stephens	✓			
Noe Esparza	✓			
Norma Hernandez	✓			

Mrs. Sherrard 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 Interlocal Agreement with the Gulf Coast Local Workforce Board for Child Care Local Match Contribution of $600,000 for the term of October 6, 2026, to September 30, 2027.
2. Consider approval of the proposed Budget Amendments for the month of September 2026.
3. Consider approval of adding Special Projects Extra Help Daily and Hourly rates of pay to the compensation plan for the 2026 – 2027 school year.
4. Consider approval to renew RFP 26-006 Armored Courier Services for the term of December 31, 2026, through December 30, 2027, from Loomis at an estimated annual expenditure of $200,000.
5. Consider approval to renew RFP 26-001 Instructional Materials for the term of November 1, 2026, through October 31, 2027, at an estimated annual expenditure of $1,000,000.
   With the following vendors:
   Abecedarian ABC, LLC

Accelerate Learning Inc.
Advanced Technologies Consultants
Arbor Scientific
Avant Assessment LLC
Ballard & Tighe, Publishers
Barnes & Noble Booksellers, Inc.
Beable Education, Inc.
Bedford, Freeman & Worth Publishing Group LLC
Bellwether Media
Blick Art Materials
Bound to stay Bound Books, Inc.
BSN Sports, LLC
Capstone
CareerSafe, LLC
Carolina Biological Supply Company
CEV Multimedia Ltd.
Character Development and Leadership, LLC
Cherry Lake Publishing
Corwin Press, Inc
Cosenza & Associates, LLC
Crisis Prevention Institute, Inc.
Delaney Educational Enterprises
DeltaMath Solutions Inc.
Demco, Inc
Discount School Supply
Discovery Education, Inc.
Dr. Jerry Wallace, LLC
Dream Ranch Office Supplies
EAI Education
Educational Products, Inc
Edvotek, Inc.
Ereflect Inc.
ExploreLearning, LLC
Fisher Scientific Company LLC
Flinn Scientific Inc
Flyleaf Publishing
Follett Content Solutions, LLC
Frog Publications, Inc.
Fun and Function LLC
Garrett Book Company LLC
Geyer Instructional Products
GF Educators, Inc.
Glendale Parade Store, LLC
Gumdrop Books
hand2mind
Heinemann
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company
Imagine Learning LLC
IXL Learning, Inc.
Junior Library Guild
Just Right Reader, Inc.
Kamico Instructional Media, Inc.
Kaplan Early Learning Company
Kiddom

Klett World Languages, Inc.
Knowbuddy Resources
La Rocca Literacy, LLC
Lakeshore Learning Materials
LakeviewEastWestWillowLane
Learning A-Z, LLC
Learning Farm, LLC.
Learning Without Tears
Lexia Learning Systems LLC
Liberty Office Products
Libraria
Lingco Language Labs, Inc.
Lone Star Learning
Loving Guidance LLC
LowCostEarbuds.com
Macie Publishing Company
Mackin Educational Resources
Math & Science Cut Ups
MathWarm-Ups.com
McGraw Hill LLC
Mrs. Nelson's Book Company
Music and Arts
Music in Motion Inc.
National Inventors Hall of Fame
OTC Brands Inc
Pender's Music Company
Perfection Learning Corporation
Perma-Bound Books
Pitsco Education, LLC
Positive Promotions, Inc.
QEP, Inc.
QuaverEd, Inc
Rainbow Book Company of Illinois
Rally! Education
Realityworks, Inc.
Really Good Stuff, LLC
Renaissance Learning, Inc.
Riverside Insights
Romeo Music
Rosetta Stone LLC
S&S Worldwide
Saddleback Educational, Inc.
Savvas Learning Company LLC
Scholastic Inc.
School Specialty LLC
Seidlitz Education
Sirius Education Solutions LLC
Social Studies Success LLC
Speed Stacks, Inc
Studies Weekly, Inc.
Super Duper Publications
Teacher's Discovery
TeachTown
Texas Art Supply

Textbook Warehouse
The Markerboard People
The Master Teacher, Inc.
The Reading Warehouse Inc
Therapro, Inc.
US Games
Vex Robotics Inc.
Visual Techniques, Inc
Ward's Science/VWR
West Music Company, Inc
William H. Sadlier
Zaner-Bloser, Inc.

6. Consider approval of the purchase of Charter Bus & Student Group Travel Services for the term of October 6, 2026, through July 31, 2027, from Sam's Limousine and Transportation, Inc. via Klein ISD RFP #25-150 renewal at an estimated amount of $300,000.
7. Consider approval of the award of CSP 26-202 Concrete Work for the term of October 6, 2026, through September 30, 2027, at an estimated annual expenditure of $700,000 with the following vendors:
   Comex Corporation
   GC Commercial Construction, LLC
   M&J International Purchasing Co. Inc.
   MMS-TX Group, LLC
   The Deck and Canopy Company, LLC
8. Consider approval of the agreement with Cypress Fairbanks Independent School District to host the 2027 GPISD Graduation Ceremonies on Saturday, May 22, 2027, at an estimated amount of $150,000.

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

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

INFORMATION: The following documents were presented for information:

A. **Wanna Giacona, Chief Administrative Officer, presented:**
1. Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting Minutes - August 2026
2. Early Head Start Update and Fund 205 Expenditure Report Summary - August 2026

B. **Ben Pape, Chief Financial Officer presented:**
1. Tax Collection Report - August 2026
2. 2016 Bond Program Financial Report as of August 31, 2026
3. 2024 Bond Program Financial Report as of August 31, 2026

There being no other business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Linda Sherrard
Linda Clark Sherrard, President

ATTEST:
Amanda Erebia
Amanda Erebia, Secretary