

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the George West Independent School District was held on Wednesday, March 25, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. by Videoconference during disaster due to COVID-19.

Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 coronavirus, this meeting will be conducted by videoconference or telephone call. At least a quorum of the board will be participating by videoconference or telephone call in accordance with the provisions of Sections 551.125 or 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have not been suspended by order of the governor.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declare Quorum Present

Cheri Dee Moore, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and established a quorum was present. Board members present were Cheri Dee Moore, Cosme S. Arciba, Scott L. Carroll, James L. Orr, Mackey Alvarez, Kathy Likens, and Fred Riley Rhodes.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Jim Rosebrock gave the invocation and Cosme Arciba led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Consent Agenda: The Board Agrees to Consider the Following Item(s) as One Action Item

a. Discuss and Consider Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s):

- Regular Meeting – February 26, 2020
- Consider and Approve Budget Amendments and Transfers

Mr. Arciba moved to approve the consent agenda items as recommended by Superintendent Rosebrock. Mrs. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 7-0.

4. Public Comment:

No public comments

5. Regular Business Action Items:

a. Consider and Approval of 2020-2021 School Year Calendar (Rosebrock)

Mr. Carroll motioned to approve the 2020-2021 School Year Calendar as recommended by Superintendent Rosebrock. Mr. Orr seconded the motion and motion carried 7-0.

b. Consider and Approve Selection of Instructional Materials for Proclamation 2020: regular and PAP classes, StudySync (McGraw Hill); AP English III, College Board Curriculum, Journalism, Shmoop online material (Quesada)

Mr. Orr motioned to approve the Selection of Instructional Materials for Proclamation 2020: regular and PAP classes, StudySync (McGraw Hill); AP English III, College Board Curriculum, Journalism, Shmoop online material as presented by Dr. Quesada. Ms. Likens seconded the motion and motion carried 7-0.

c. Consider and Approval of 2020-2021 Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification (Quesada)

Ms. Likens motioned to approve the 2020-2021 Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification as presented by Dr. Quesada. Mr. Carroll seconded the motion and motion carried 7-0.

d. Consider and Take-Action on Resolution of the Board Regarding Wage Payments during Emergency School Closing (COVID-19) (Rosebrock)

Mr. Orr motioned to approve and Take-Action on Resolution of the Board Regarding Wage Payments during Emergency School Closing as presented by Superintendent Rosebrock. Ms. Likens seconded the motion and motion carried 7-0.

6. Reports/Discussion and Information Items:

a. Update on Instructional Continuity During the COVID-19 Crisis (Rosebrock)

Dr. Rosebrock updated the Board on the Instructional Continuity during the COVID-19 crisis.

b. Report on Potential Construction Projects (Rosebrock)
Dr. Rosebrock reported on the potential construction projects in GWISD.

c. Monthly Financial and Investment Reports (Peck)
Ms. Peck reviewed and explained the Monthly Financial and Investment Reports

d. Presentation on Google Classroom (Quesada and Hicks)
Dr. Quesada and Mr. Hicks presented Google Classroom to the Board.

e. Report on Modifications to Grading Guidelines Policy (EIA Local) and Class Rank Determination (EIC Local) (Rosebrock)
Dr. Rosebrock reported on the Modifications to Grading Guidelines Policy (EIA Local) and Class Rank Determination (EIC Local).

f. Discuss and Set Date/Time for April Board Meeting (Rosebrock)
After discussion the Board of Trustees agreed the next Board Meeting is set for April 15, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at 913 Houston St. Administration Building Board Room or via Videoconference.

7. Superintendent's Comments

- Dr. Rosebrock and Ms. Lowe will meet with Huckabee Architects on April 9 to determine the needs of the Jr. High
- The Live Oak Soil and Water Conservation District announced the winners of the Poster and Essay Contest on March 10. Nine (9) George West ISD students were awarded.
- GW Track team and Baseball team are doing well, season was cut short due to COVID-19
- State qualifying weight lifting meet, Araceli Nieto
- Graduation plans, discussions have been delayed until all options are reviewed
- County Judge and Mayor will make decisions towards the COVID-19 for the area. They have included Dr. Rosebrock in the group to work with the District. Updates will continue daily
- Dr. Rosebrock continues to receive daily reports from the Commissioner on COVID-19
- Dr. Rosebrock mentioned the District is continuing to provide meals, electronic devices and class work to all students.
- Teachers are working hard to provide continued instruction via Google Classroom, and available to students via e-mail as well
- School facilities have been thoroughly cleaned
- Dr. Rosebrock mentioned how proud he is of GWISD Teachers, staff and personnel. Staff has worked above and beyond the call of duty.

8. Closed Session As Authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551:

- a. 551.072 – *Discussing Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property*
- (1) Discuss Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property
- b. 551.074 – *Considering the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee or to Hear a Complaint Against a Public Officer or Employee*
- (1) Discuss Superintendent's Recommendation to Rescind Board Action Taken on February 26, 2020 on Teacher's Probationary Contract Approved in Error
 - (2) Discuss Superintendent's Recommendation on Employment of Personnel
 - (3) Discuss Superintendent's Recommendation on Contract Extension for Athletic Director
 - (4) Discuss Superintendent's Recommendation for Renewal and/or Non-renewal of Probationary Contracts, Dual-assignment Probationary Contracts and Non-certified Contracts at the End of the Contract Period
 - (5) Discuss Superintendent's Recommendation on Renewal and/or Proposed Non-renewal of Term Contracts and Dual-assignment Term Contracts.

Ms. Alvarez moved and Mr. Arciba seconded the motion to go into closed session. The motion carried 7-0. The Board convened into closed session at 6:55 p.m. as authorized by the Texas Government Sections 551.072 and 551.074 (personnel).

Ms. Alvarez moved to return to open meeting. Mrs. Likens seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0. The Board ended its closed session at 7:24 p.m.

9. Open Session Action, If Any, on Closed Session Deliberations

- a. Consider Action on Rescinding Teacher’s Probationary Contract Approved in Error
Mr. Orr motioned and Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion to rescind Teacher’s Probationary Contract Approved in Error as discussed in closed session and recommended by Superintendent Rosebrock. The motion carried 7-0.
- b. Consider Action on Employment of Personnel
Mr. Orr motioned and Mr. Arciba seconded the Motion to Approve Employment of Personnel as discussed in closed session and recommended by Superintendent Rosebrock. The motion carried 7-0.
- c. Consider Action on Contract Extension for Athletic Director
- d. Consider Action on Renewal of Probationary Contracts, Dual-assignment Probationary Contracts, and Term Contracts, Dual-assignment Term Contracts and Non-certified Contracts
Items C and D were combined in motions
Mr. Orr motioned and Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion to approve the contract extension and renewals for the 2020-2021 school year as discussed in closed session and recommended by Superintendent Rosebrock. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Orr motioned and Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion to approve the contract renewal for JoAnn Arciba for the 2020-2021 school year as discussed in closed session and as recommended by Superintendent Rosebrock. The motion carried 6-0 and Mr. Arciba abstained from the vote.

Mr. Orr motioned and Ms. Likens seconded the motion to approve the contract renewal for Natalie Carroll for the 2020-2021 school year as discussed in closed session and as recommended by Superintendent Rosebrock. The motion carried 6-0 and Mr. Carroll abstained from the vote.

- e. Consider Action on Nonrenewal of Probationary Contracts, Dual-assignment Probationary Contracts and Non-certified Contracts at the End of the Contract Period and Proposed Non-renewal of Term Contracts and Dual-assignment Term Contracts
No action taken

10. Adjournment

Ms. Alvarez moved to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Arciba seconded the motion, and motion carried 7-0.

APPROVED:

Cheri Dee Moore, President

Scott L. Carroll, Secretary