

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the George West Independent School District was held on Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. in the George West Independent School District High School Student Activity Center, 1013 Houston St., George West, and Texas 78022.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declare Quorum Present

Cheri Dee Moore, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:35 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 Riley Rhodes

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Carroll gave the invocation and Mr. 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 – June 17, 2020
- Special Called Meeting – July 15, 2020
- Consider and Approve Budget Amendments and Transfers
Mr. Arciba moved to approve the consent agenda items as recommended by Acting Superintendent Quesada. Mr. Carroll seconded the motion, and the motion carried 7-0.
No amendments or transfers were submitted

4. Recognitions

Top 10 2019-2020 Graduate students were recognized for their accomplishments and were awarded with certificate and a gift.

5. Public Comment:

No comments

6. Regular Business Action Items:

a. Consider and Accept Cosme Arciba's Resignation (Single-Member District #1)
Ms. Alvarez moved to consider and accept Cosme Arciba's resignation and Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Arciba was presented with a plaque for his years of service.

b. Consider and Approve Appointment to Fill Single-Member District #1 Vacancy
Mr. Orr moved to consider and accept appointment of John Campos to fill the Single-Member District #1 Vacancy and Mr. Carroll seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

c. Execution of Statement of Officer and Oath of Office by New Board Member
Mr. Campos executed the Statement of Officer and Oath of Office

d. Consider and Take-Action on Reorganization of Board
The Board of Trustees reorganized its officers and they are as follows:

Jimmy Orr, President

Cheri Dee Moore, Vice President

Scott Carroll, Secretary

Mackey Alvarez, Assistant Secretary

Ms. Alvarez moved to accept the nominees for the Reorganization of the Board and Ms. Likens seconded the motion, motion carried 7-0

- e. Discuss and Consider Approval of Applying for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSERF) Grant

Mr. Carroll moved to approve the applying for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSERF) Grant and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion, and the motion carried 7-0

- f. Discuss and Consider Approval of Policy Update 115 Affecting Local Policies (Quesada)
 - BF(LOCAL): BOARD POLICIES
 - DIA(LOCAL): EMPLOYEE WELFARE - FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION
 - DMD(LOCAL): PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS AND VISITATIONS
 - EI(LOCAL): ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
 - FB(LOCAL): EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY
 - FD(LOCAL): ADMISSIONS
 - FEB(LOCAL): ATTENDANCE - ATTENDANCE ACCOUNTING
 - FFG(LOCAL): STUDENT WELFARE - CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
 - FFH(LOCAL): STUDENT WELFARE - FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION
 - FMF(LOCAL): STUDENT ACTIVITIES - CONTESTS AND COMPETITION
 - FNG(LOCAL): STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES - STUDENT AND PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES
 - GF(LOCAL): PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

Mr. Carroll moved to approve Policy Update 115 Affecting Local Policies as presented by Acting Superintendent Quesada. Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 7-0

7. Reports/Discussion and Information Items:

- a. Discuss 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget (Quesada/Peck)

Ms. Peck explained the proposed 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget.

- b. Monthly Financial and Investment Reports (Peck)

Ms. Peck reviewed the GWISD investment and cash flow reports.

- c. Discuss and Set Date/Time for August Board Meetings (Quesada)

- August Regular Meeting
- Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for 2020-2021

The Board decided the Public meeting will be on Wednesday, August 26 at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Regular Board Meeting, location will be the High School Student Activity Center.

7. Superintendent's Comments

- Kudos to Varsity Cheerleaders ranked Superior Varsity Team and receive Stunt Certification. Cheerleaders are Isabella Garza, Kate Davis, Sydney Pankey, Kelsie Ruiz, Tori Rathke, and Laura Feist. The cheerleaders were invited to All American Spectacular in London.
- Summer Workouts
- Jump start has continued with an enrollment of 40 students with 10-15 staff members. Special thanks to Felix Duran for leading the Jump Start program. Last day for the program is Thursday, July 30, 2020.
- All instructional staff returns on August 3, 2020. Professional Development has been restructured to virtual PD with the focus of preparing teachers for hybrid instructional model.
- Methodist and Catholic Church will be providing lunch on Aug. 10 & 12
- Dr. Quesada thanked Mr. Cosme Arciba for his long time service to GWISD both on and off the board. He appreciated Mr. Arciba's support and dedication to the district and the district will miss his leadership
- Mr. John Campos was welcomed to the Board of Trustees

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

- a. *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 on Employment of Personnel
 - (2) Discuss Duties of Personnel

Ms. Moore moved and Mr. Carroll seconded the motion to go into closed session. The motion carried 7-0. The Board convened into closed session at 7:09 p.m. as authorized by the Texas Government Sections 551.074 (personnel).

Ms. Moore moved to return to open meeting. Ms. Likens seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0. The Board ended its closed session at 8:36 p.m.

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

- a. Consider Action on Employment of Personnel
Mr. Carroll moved that the Board approve a one-year probationary contract of employment of personnel as recommended by Acting Superintendent Quesada. Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 7-0.

11. Adjournment

Ms. Moore moved to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Mr. Riley seconded the motion, and motion carried 7-0.

APPROVED:

Jimmy Orr, President

Scott L. Carroll, Secretary