

# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

September 23, 2020

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A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the George West Independent School District was held on Wednesday, September 23, 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

Jimmy Orr, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. and established a quorum was present. Board members present were James L. Orr, Scott L. Carroll, Mackey Alvarez arrived at 5:45 p.m., John Campos, Kathy Likens and Riley Rhodes. Absent: Cheri Dee Moore

## 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Carroll gave the invocation and 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 – August 26, 2020
- Consider and Approve Budget Amendments and Transfers

Mr. Carroll moved to Approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2020 as recommended by Acting Superintendent Quesada. Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Carroll moved to Consider and Approve the Budget Amendments and Transfers as recommended by Ms. Nita Peck. Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0.

## 4. Public Comment:

No comments

## 5. Regular Business Action Items:

a. Consider and Adopt Tax Rate

Ms. Peck reminded the Board of the Tax Rate Public Hearing on August 26, 2020. Ms. Peck then read the resolution in its entirety to the Board and answered any questions.

Mr. Carroll moved to consider and adopt tax rate of 1.19835 and Mr. Campos seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

b. Consider and Approve to Engage Auditors for the Audit Report Year Ending August 31, 2020

Mr. Rhodes moved to Consider and Approve to Engage Auditors for the Audit Report Year Ending August 31, 2020 and Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0

c. Consider and Approve the 2020-2021 District Improvement Plan Goals

Mr. Carroll moved to Consider and Approve the 2020-2021 District Improvement Plan Goals and Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

d. Consider and Approve the 2020-2021 Campus Improvement Plan Goals

Ms. Likens moved to Consider and Approve the 2020-2021 Campus Improvement Plan Goals and Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

e. Consider and Approve the GWISD Board letter to TEA Regarding Instructional Minutes, Attendance Requirements, and Testing Standards for 2020-2021 (Quesada)

Mr. Carroll moved to Consider and Approve the GWISD Board letter to TEA Regarding Instructional Minutes, Attendance Requirements, and Testing Standards for 2020-2021 and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

- f. Consider and Approve Resolution Requesting Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organization and Adjunct Faculty Agreement with Live Oak County Extension Services (Quesada)

Ms. Alvarez moved to Consider and Approve Resolution Requesting Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organization and Adjunct Faculty Agreement with Live Oak County Extension Services and Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

- g. Consider and Approve the Kindergarten Waiver to use the TPRI Student Assessment for the Kindergarten Students

Mr. Rhodes moved to Consider and Approve the Kindergarten Waiver to use the TPRI Student Assessment for the Kindergarten Students and Mr. Carroll seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

- h. Consider and Approve the 2020-2021 Education Service Center, Region 2 Programs and Services Contract

Ms. Alvarez moved to Consider and Approve the 2020-2021 Education Service Center, Region 2 Programs and Services Contract and Mr. Campos seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

- i. Consider and Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Del Mar College Dual Credit and Continuing Education Programs

Mr. Carroll moved to Consider and Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Del Mar College Dual Credit and Continuing Education Programs and Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

- j. Consider and Approve the Contract for SEC Services

Mr. Carroll moved to Consider and Approve the Contract for SEC Services and Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

- k. Consider and Approve the Ratification of Contract for Academic Based Communications

Ms. Likens moved to Consider and Approve the Ratification of the Contract for Academic Based Communications and Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion, and the motion carried 6-0

## **6. Reports/Discussion and Information Items:**

- a. Monthly Financial and Investment Reports (Peck)

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

- b. Discuss and Set Date/Time for October Board Meetings (Quesada)

The Board decided the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on October 21, 2020 location will be the High School Student Activity Center at 5:30 p.m.

## **7. Superintendent's Comments**

- Dr. Quesada announced the start of the GWISD phone app to all community. It is a great app for parents and staff to use.
- Kudos to teachers and staff, the 1<sup>st</sup> 6-weeks is done. Everyone has worked hard and stepped up to the plate.
- Face to face enrollment up to 88% and remote learners is 12% - Dr. Quesada will be encouraging parents to bring students back to school beginning October 13, 2020.

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

Ms. Alvarez moved and Mr. Carroll seconded the motion to go into closed session. The motion carried 6-0. The Board convened into closed session at 6:53 p.m. as authorized by the Texas Government Sections 551.072 (real property) and 551.074 (personnel).

Ms. Alvarez moved to return to open session. Ms. Likens seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0. The Board ended its closed session at 8:58 p.m.

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

- a. Consider Action on Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property  
No action was taken
  
- b. Consider Action on Employment of Personnel  
No action was taken

**11. Adjournment**

Ms. Alvarez moved to adjourn at 9:01p.m. Ms. Likens seconded the motion, and motion carried 6-0.

APPROVED:

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Jimmy Orr, President

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Scott L. Carroll, Secretary