



Brownsville Independent School District

Board Of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting April 1, 2014 5:30 P.M.

Administration Building
1900 Price Road
Brownsville, Texas 78521-2417

A G E N D A

NOTE: The Board of Trustees may go into Closed/Executive Session to deliberate any item on this agenda as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

- I. Meeting Called to Order.
- II. Moment of Silence.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call:
- V. Recommend approving the **agenda** of the **Regular Board Meeting of April 1, 2014**, with any corrections/deletions.
- VI. Recommend approving the **Consent Agenda**. The Board has agreed to discuss the following items. All of the items below that are not called out will be approved by consent.

(All presentations limited to five (5) minutes)

VII. Superintendent's Report

A. Conference Presentations:

1. Recognition of 2014 University of Texas at Austin Exemplary Migrant Students.
2. District-wide Attendance Initiatives.
3. Presentation regarding the Brownsville Independent School District 4th Annual Mini Tri-Athlon.
4. Presentation regarding new Brownsville South Padre Island International Airport.
5. Presentation of the Brownsville Independent School District Financial Report for the period ended February 28, 2014.

B. Standing Board Agenda Items:

6. Board Calendars.

VIII. PUBLIC AUDIENCE:

If you wish to address the Board of Trustees during the Public Audience portion of today's meeting, please print your name on the form provided. According to BISD Policy BED (Local), only those persons (on the list) who request to speak shall be heard. The speaker shall limit remarks to five minutes. The Board shall allot no more than 30 minutes for the Public Audience portion of the meeting. Complaints and concerns for which other resolution channels are provided shall be directed through those channels. These complaints include complaints on the following subjects: employee complaints, termination of employment, student complaints, removal to alternative education program, and expulsion. If the Board President determines that a person has not attempted to resolve a matter administratively, the person shall be directed to the appropriate policy for attempted resolution before bringing the matter to the Board. Complaints against specific employees or officers of BISD shall be heard in Closed Meeting, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Title 5-Section: 551.074 (1) and (2). If your topic concerns complaints against specific employees or officers, please note this on the sign-up sheet. You must make your points on issues in a constructive and courteous fashion pursuant to Robert's Rules of Order.

IX. Open Hearing: Grievant has requested an open hearing pursuant to Board Policy DGBA Local.

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A. Level III Board Review and Grievance:

7. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the Level III Grievance No. 008/13-14 – A.H.
8. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the Level III Grievance No. 009/13-14 – P.C.

The Board may deliberate or take action regarding the following agenda items.

Board policy BE (Local) and Robert's Rules limits debate to two opportunities. A Trustee may debate a motion for two minutes on the first speaking opportunity and one minute on the second opportunity.

X. Consent Agenda:

A. Recommend approval of the following General Function Items:

9. Recommend approval to adopt Policy Update 98 Local and Miscellaneous polices.
10. Recommend approval of the 2014-2015 Middle School and High School Course Listing Guides. (CD)
11. Recommend approval to renew the flood insurance policies from the National Flood Insurance Program and issue payment as stated in the fiscal implications.

12. Recommend to approve the Storybook Ballet to use the district facilities, in accordance with Policy GKD (Local).
13. Recommend approval to amend the minutes of the Brownsville Independent School District Regular Board Meeting held on February 4, 2014 to reflect the deletion of agenda item 41.
14. Recommend approval of Resolution #025/13-14 for the adoption of the Mexican American Studies Course to be offered upon the adoption of the corresponding TEKS.

B. Recommend approval of the following Payments:

15. Recommend approval to pay Circle Industries, Inc., \$2,850.00 (Fire Alarm Project at Skinner Elementary School) and Rio Roofing, Inc. \$37,604.50 (Re-roofing Project at Morningside Elementary School) for a grand total of \$40,454.50 to be paid from Capital Project fund 634/Local Maintenance Fund 199.
16. Recommend approval to pay Group Administrators, LTD as a Third Party Administrator to negotiate payments for unprocessed health claims.
17. Recommend approval for payment of \$10,519.69 to Hartline, Dacus, Barger, Dreyer, LLP.
18. Recommend approval for payment of \$1,785.28 to The Hudgins Law Firm.

C. Recommend approval of the following Budget Amendments:

19. Recommend approval of Budget Amendment #080 in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 for Fund 164 – State Career and Technical Education. (Categorical Fund Balance)
20. Recommend approval of Budget Amendment #081 in the amount of \$11,120.00 for fund 499 – Local Funded Special Revenue Fund. (New Funding)
21. Recommend approval of Budget Amendment #084 in the amount of \$167,616.00 for Fund 199 – Local Maintenance. (Reallocation)

D. Recommend approval of the following Bids/Proposals/Purchases:

22. Recommend approval to accept the proposed fees for awarded RFQ #14-054 Legal Consulting Services for Special Education to the three firms for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year, using a rotation system for services as needed, in the amount not to exceed a combined total of \$120,000.00.

Please note Trustees Lucila B. Longoria and Catalina Presas-Garcia will be excluded from Executive Session, 23. a., due to conflict.

XI. CLOSED MEETING: as pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section: 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, and 551.084.

A. Consultation with Attorney:

23. Consultation with Attorney regarding pending or threatened litigation matters: “status of lawsuits.”

- a. Discussion and consideration in Lucila B. Longoria and Catalina Presas-Garcia vs. Brownsville Independent School District, et. al, Civil Action Number 1:14-CV-00010 pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas Brownsville Division.

XII. CLOSED MEETING: as pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section: 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, and 551.084.

A. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

24. Presentation of **Retirements/Resignations**.
25. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school year(s) – **Teachers**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
26. Recommend approval of **term – chapter 21 contractual personnel** for the 2013-2014 and the 2014-2015 school year(s) – **Advanced Academic Lead Teachers**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
27. Recommend approval of **term – chapter 21 contractual personnel** for the 2013-2014 and the 2014-2015 school year(s) – **Teacher**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
28. Recommend approval of Campus Professional Staff for One Year Term contracts for the 2014-2015 school year.
29. Recommend approval of Department Professional Staff for Chapter 21 Term contracts for the 2014-2015 school year.
30. Recommend approval of Department Professional Staff for Non-Chapter 21 Term contracts for the 2014-2015 school year.
31. Recommend approval to adjust the working days of a professional employee (P.C.) for the 2013-2014 school year.
32. Recommend approval for the proposed non-renewal of a term contract employee (E.U.) at the end of the 2013-2014 school year.
33. Recommend to approve the termination of a term contract (2013-2014) and discharge a teacher for good cause. (J.L.U.)
34. Board Self Evaluation.
35. Discussion and consideration regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, and duties of the Superintendent.

B. Consultation with Attorney:

36. Consultation with Attorney regarding pending or threatened litigation matters: “status of lawsuits”.
 - a. Discussion and consideration regarding A.G. b/n/f M.G. vs. Brownsville ISD; TEA Docket No. 154-SE-0214.

- b. Discussion and consideration regarding A.S. vs. Brownsville ISD; Cause No. 2012-DCL-08930-C.
- c. Consultation with Lead Internal Auditor regarding ADA projects update.
- d. Discussion and consideration regarding BISD vs. Healthsmart.

(BOARD RECONVENES AFTER CLOSED MEETING)

A25-33. Recommend approval on personnel matters discussed in Closed Meeting.

34. Board Self-Evaluation.

35. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, and duties of the Superintendent.

B36. Recommend approval regarding pending or threatened litigation matters: “status of lawsuits”.

- a. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding A.G. b/n/f M.G. vs. Brownsville ISD; TEA Docket No. 154-SE-0214.
- b. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding A.S. vs. Brownsville ISD; Cause No. 2012-DCL-08930-C.
- c. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding ADA projects update.
- d. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding BISD vs. Healthsmart.

XIII. Announcement(s):

37. **Next scheduled Board Meeting** of the Board of Trustees is on **Tuesday, May 6, 2014**, at the Administration Building at 5:30 p.m.

XIV. Adjournment.