



Brownsville Independent School District

Board Of Trustees

Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting January 17, 2017 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 **Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, January 17, 2017**, with any corrections/deletions.
- VI. Recommend approving the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of **September 6, 2016** and Special Called Board Meeting on **September 12, 2016** and Regular Board Meeting on **October 4, 2016** and Special Called Meeting on **November 17, 2016** with any corrections.
- VII. 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)

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. Superintendent's Report

A. Conference Presentations:

1. School Board Recognition Month January 2017.
2. Superintendent's Life Saving Champion Award Presentation.
3. BISD Annual Report 2015-2016 (Texas Academic Performance Report). (CD)
4. Brownsville Independent School District Financial Report for the period ending November 30, 2016.

B. Standing Board Agenda Items:

5. Board Calendars.

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 Item(s):

6. Recommend approval of Resolution #022/16-17 for Heritage Plan properties to be granted exemption from taxation in the amount of \$356,477.00.
7. Recommend approval of Resolution #023/16-17 to extend the current depository contract with Wells Fargo Bank for an additional two-year term beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2019.
8. Recommend approval of the 2016-2017 District Textbook SELECTION Committee Members.
9. Recommend approval for BISD Student Scouts to participate in the 65th Annual Brownsville Scout Government Day on February 10, 2017.
10. Recommend approval for general contracting services by First Choice Restaurant Equipment Supply for construction of a Culinary Arts Lab at Cummings Middle School not to exceed the amount of \$800,000.00. Purchases and Services are subject to the District's needs and funding.
11. Discussion, consideration and possible action to engage attorney Ricardo Morado to defend the District in pending litigation styled Art Rendon vs. BISD.

12. Recommend waiving Policy GKD (Local) Non-School Use of School Facilities to allow the Sombrero Festival, LTD rental of the teacher's lounge and parking lot to approximately 2:00 a.m. during the Charro Days Festivities.
13. Recommend the purchase of two Computer on Wheels units (DELL Computers) for all elementary schools. The units will be used to increase STAAR Reading success at the third grade level for at risk students. The units will be paid from Categorical Funds in the amount no to exceed 1.5 million dollars contingent to district needs and funding availability.
14. Recommend approval to authorize administration to accept the Rivera ECHS Athletic project as substantially complete.
15. Recommend approval to accept \$25,060.00 from Herff Jones for the donation of 28 student rings given to the Porter Early College High School 5A State Championship team.
16. Discussion, consideration and possible action to direct the Administration to formulate a plan to acquire a New Multi-Media Panel for Sam's Stadium.

B. Recommend approval of the following Payment(s):

17. Recommend approval for payment in the amount of \$10,194.85 to Walsh, Gallegos, Trevino, Russo & Kyle, P.C.
18. Recommend approval for payment in the amount of \$5,500.00 to Guerra & Farah, PLLC.
19. Recommend approval to pay Region One Education Service Center for annual membership fees in the approximate amount of \$41,207.96 for the 2016-2017 school year.
20. Recommend approval of Payment #3 for \$87,874.05 as partial payment to Ziwa Corporation for Construction Services work completed on the Pace ECHS Fine Arts Building to be paid from TRE Fund 197.
21. Recommend approval of Payment #3 for \$109,851.69 as partial payment to Paragon Sports Constructors, LLC, for work completed on the Porter ECHS Synthetic Soccer Field to be paid from TRE Fund 197.
22. Recommend approval of Payment #10 for \$160,857.42 as partial payment to Ziwa Corporation for Construction Services work completed on the Rivera ECHS Athletic Facility to be paid from Local Fund 197.
23. Recommend approval of Payment #5 for \$99,219.20 as partial payment to NM Contracting for work completed at the Hanna ECHS Construction Technology Building to be paid from Local Fund 192.

C. Recommend approval of the following Budget Amendment(s):

24. Recommend approval of Budget Amendment #017 in the amount of \$183,565.00 from Local Funds. (Reallocation as requested by campuses/departments)

D. Recommend approval of the following Contract(s)/Agreement(s):

25. Recommend approval of Memorandum of Understanding and Partnership Agreement between University of Texas at Austin and Brownsville Independent School District for Pre-service Teachers with UTA to complete one semester of student field experience. Memorandum of Understanding and Partnership agreement will become effective for the spring semester of 2016-2017 school year. (No cost to the District)
26. Recommend approval to contract with the University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley for services regarding the Texas Prefreshman Engineering Program (TexPREP) to be implemented during the Summer of 2017, which includes 6 Saturday Sessions at a cost of \$390.00 per student.
27. Recommend approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with RGV-LEAD and Region One ESC to evaluate the Academics of the Rio Grande Valley's Ford NGL program by providing data for the 2016-2017 school year. No cost to the District.
28. Recommend approval to accept the musical instruments for the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation to be used at Stell Middle School at no cost to the District.
29. Recommend approval to renew the AVID Implementation Agreement for Hanna Early College High School and Brownsville Early College High School in the amount of \$8,428.00 from campus budgeted local and categorical funds for the 2016-2017 school year. Services to be rendered and items to be purchased are subject to the District's needs and funding.

E. Recommend approval of the following Bid(s)/Proposal(s)/Purchase(s)

30. Recommend to exercise the option to renew RFQ #13-112 for Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for FY 2016-2017 and FY 2017-2018 to Pattillo, Brown & Hill, LLP, Brownsville, Texas. Approximate amount of \$51,500.00 from Local Funds per year.
31. Recommend to accept the negotiated fee for RFQ #14-101 Engineering Services for a four (4) Lane Track at Besteiro Middle School to Ambiotech Civil Engineering Group, Brownsville, Texas in the amount of \$74,100.00 to be paid from TRE Funds.

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

A. Level III Board Review and Grievance(s):

32. Discussion and consideration regarding **Level III Grievance No. 008/16-17 on Maria E. Solis.**

B. PERSONNEL MATTER(S):

33. Presentation of **Retirement(s)/Resignation(s).**
34. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year- **Elementary Dean of Instruction.** Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
35. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year – **Librarian.** Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.

36. Recommend to approve compensation for professional employee (C.A.U.) on interim assignment to be commensurate with an athletic coordinator salary until such time that a permanent athletic coordinator is selected for the 2016-2017 Fiscal School Year.
37. Board Self Evaluation.
38. Discussion and consideration regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, and duties of the Superintendent.

(BOARD RECONVENES AFTER CLOSED MEETING)

31. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding **Level III Grievance No. 008/16-17 on Maria E. Solis.**
 32. Presentation of **Retirement(s)/Resignation(s).**
- A 34-36. Recommend approval on personnel matters discussed in Closed Meeting.
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 38. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, and duties of the Superintendent.

XII. Board Member Request(s):

A. Conference Presentations:

39. Discussion regarding the Superintendent's authority under local policy to establish and meet privately for Brownsville School District Centennial Foundation. **(Board Member Request)**
40. Discussion regarding the accounting and status of funds collected from faculty and staff for the Dollars for Scholars Program. **(Board Member Request)**
41. Discussion regarding a board resolution against the consolidating and/or closing of any school for the 2017-2018 school year without first receiving a comprehensive plan detailing budgets, alternatives, sufficient public input, notice, etc. **(Board Member Request)**
42. Discussion regarding initiating a TASB salary study to review our pay structure prior to budget adoption in June 2017; i.e. to include all classified and certified staff positions. **(Board Member Request)**

B. Recommend approval of the following General Function Item(s):

43. Board Members may only place 3 items on the agenda per scheduled meeting and that this policy can be revoked only by approval of 5 of the 7 Board Members. **(Board Member Request)**

XIII. Announcement(s):

44. **Next scheduled Board Meeting** of the Board of Trustees is on **Tuesday, February 7, 2017**, at the **Administration Building** at **5:30 p.m.**

XIV. Adjournment.