



Brownsville Independent School District

Board Of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting
March 7, 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 **Regular Board Meeting of March 7, 2017**, with any corrections/deletions.
- VI.** Recommend approving the **minutes** of the **Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting of November 18, 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. Superintendent's Report

A. Conference Presentations:

- 1. Recognition of the Pace ECHS Principal as an H-E-B Excellence in Education Award Finalist.
- 2. Presentation of Cummings Middle School CTE Program.

3. Presentation of the Brownsville Independent School District Financial Report for the period ending January 31, 2017.

B. Standing Board Agenda Items:

4. Board Calendars.

IX. 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.

- X. 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):

5. Discussion and consideration regarding **Level III Grievance No. 012/16-17 on Texas Valley Educators' Association.**
6. Discussion and consideration regarding **Level III Grievance No. 013/16-17 on Elidia Cuellar.**

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5. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding **Level III Grievance No. 012/16-17 on Texas Valley Educators' Association.**
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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.

XI. Consent Agenda:

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

7. Recommend approval of Resolution #024/16-17 for the reselling of foreclosed properties to the highest responsible bidder in the amount of \$22,748.72.

8. Recommend approval to declare surplus/obsolete furniture, supplies, equipment, as needed to be disposed of in accordance with Board Policy (CI) (LOCAL) School Properties Disposal.
9. Recommend approval of the State Adopted Instructional Materials selected for the 2017-2018 school year in the areas of Career and Technical Education, Languages Other than English, Special Topics in Social Studies, Algebraic Reasoning and Statistics. Items to be purchased are subject to the district needs and funding.
10. Recommend approval of Option C as the 2017-2018 School Year District Instructional Calendar.
11. Recommend approval of the 2017-2018 Elementary, Middle School and High School Grading Procedures that include recommended changes to the High School Courses taken in the Middle School. Beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, High School Courses successfully completed in the middle school will appear in the high school transcript and will be weighted into the students High School Grade Point Average.
12. Recommend approval of the 2017-2018 Middle School and High School Course Listing Guides. The Course Listing Guide is in compliance with State course offerings, State college and career pathways of study and updates to House Bill 5. Beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, High School Courses successfully completed in the Middle School will appear on the High school transcript and will be weighted into the student's High School Grade Point Average.
13. Recommend approval to authorize administration to accept the indoor soccer field synthetic turf project at Rivera Early College High School as substantially complete.
14. Recommend approval to authorize administration to accept the Construction Technology Building at Hanna Early College High School 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.

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

16. Recommend approval for payment in the amount of \$347.07 to Walsh, Gallegos, Trevino, Russo & Kyle, P.C.
17. Recommend approval to pay \$7,500.00 for services provided by South Texas ISD. Services are rendered based on the individual student needs and services required through an Admission, Retention and/or Dismissal (ARD) Committee.
18. Recommend approval of Payment #5 for \$90,389.18 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.
19. Recommend approval of Payment #4 for \$511,785.17 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.

20. Recommend approval of Final Payment in the amount of \$49,094.52 to Paragon Sports Constructors, LLC, for work completed on the Porter ECHS Synthetic Soccer Field to be paid from TRE Fund 197.
21. Recommend approval of Payment #1 for \$212,875.05 as partial payment to Paragon Sports Constructors, LLC, for work completed on the Rivera ECHS Indoor Soccer Field Synthetic Turf to be paid from TRE Fund 197.

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

22. Recommend approval of Budget Amendment #019 in the amount of \$771,744.00 for Local Funds. (Reallocation as requested by campuses/departments)

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

23. Recommend approval to enter into an MOU with SureScore Inc. to share student information and data that is protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). (No cost to the District)
24. Recommend approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with SureScore Inc. to provide an online portal and platform to manage graduation pathways, explore colleges and careers, create online PGP's, generate student portfolios and enable district to transition to electronic choice slips at the cost of \$50,085.00.
25. Recommend approval to accept a contractual agreement between Afton, an independent evaluator, and the Brownsville Independent School district for \$36,000.00 to conduct an analysis to position Brownsville's Early College High Schools designs for sustainability of the i3 model.

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

26. Recommend approval to purchase CSP #17-103 tablets for fifth grade students from Kajeet, Inc. McLean, VA in the amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 from categorical funding.
27. Recommend approving CSP #17-121 Veterans Memorial Early College High School Visitors Restroom Facility to ZIWA Corporation in the amount not to exceed \$545,000.00 to be paid from TRE Fund 197.
28. Recommend awarding Bid #17-046R Dry Cleaning Services District-wide (Rebid) to several vendors and cast lots for item #163 of said bid. Approximate amount of \$28,254.00 from Local and Categorical Funds. (Annual Bid)

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

A. PERSONNEL MATTER(S):

29. Presentation, acceptance and approval of **Retirement(s)**.
30. Presentation, acceptance and approval of **Resignation(s)**.
31. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year – **Administrator for Guidance and Counseling Department**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.

32. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year – **Choir Director**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
33. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year – **Elementary Dean of Instruction**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
34. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year – **J.R.O.T.C. Senior Army Instructor**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
35. Recommend approval of **probationary contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year - **Teachers**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
36. Recommend approval of **term-chapter 21 contractual personnel** for the 2016-2017 school year - **Curriculum Alignment Specialist**. Subject to receipt of all outstanding documentation.
37. Recommend approval of Campus Professional Staff for One Year Term contracts for the 2017-2018 school year.
38. Recommend approval of Campus Professional Staff for Probationary contracts for the 2017-2018 school year.
39. Board Self Evaluation.
40. Discussion and consideration regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, and duties of the Superintendent.
 - a. Discussion, consideration and possible action to clarify changes to the Superintendent’s Contract. (Board Member Request – SPA)

B. Consultation with Attorney:

41. Consultation with Attorney regarding pending or threatened litigation matters: “status of lawsuit(s).”

Staff Attorney:

- a. Discussion and consideration regarding Francisco Galvan vs Brownsville Independent School District.
- b. Discussion and consideration regarding Leticia Cano vs Brownsville Independent School District.

Board Attorney:

- c. Discussion, consideration and possible action 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.
- d. Discussion and consideration on potential litigation for structural defect case.

- e. Discussion and consideration on potential litigation on Sams Stadium Facility.
- f. Discussion and consideration for consulting services on Parcel of Real Estate.

C. Real Property:

- 42. Recommend approval to sell property located at the corner of Morrison and Robindale Road to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board.

(BOARD RECONVENES AFTER CLOSED MEETING)

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XIII. Board Member Request(s)

A. Conference Presentation(s)

43. Presentation of five-year student enrollment data by campus on snapshot day, to include district totals for each school year. (Board Member Request - LPR)
44. Presentation of five-year student attendance rates by campus, to include district totals for each school year. (Board Member Request – LPR)
45. Presentation and discussion regarding the process by which the Warehouse Department and/or the Warehouse Administrator provides timely and efficient service to all locations. (Board Member Request – MP)
46. Presentation and discussion regarding the process by which the Athletics Department and/or the Athletic Director reviews and selects vendors for the campuses. (Board Member Request – SPA)
47. Presentation and discussion regarding the process by which the Technology Department and/or the Technology Administrator reviews and selects vendors for the campuses. (Board Member Request – SPA)
48. Presentation and discussion regarding the efforts by the Superintendent to address declining enrollment in the district since February 2015. (Board Member Request – SPA)

B. Action Item(s)

49. Discussion, consideration and possible action 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 – LPR)
50. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding Charter School Challenges. (Board Member Request – CL)
51. Discussion, consideration and possible action to revise BDD (Local), CH (Local), DK (Local), and DC (Local). (Board Member Request – MP)
52. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding a Board Resolution to set a 350:1 counselor to student ratio for the 2017-2018 school year. (Board Member Request – SPA)
53. Discussion, consideration and possible action 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 – SPA)

54. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding a Board directive to conduct a district-wide climate study by a third party company and/or TASB; i.e. to be correlated to the elements of effective school leadership practices. (Board Member Request – MP)
55. Discussion, consideration and possible action to authorize the Board Attorney to contract a school law attorney to investigate the procurement procedures in the district as they relate to pending issues; i.e. tablets and rings. (Board Member Request – SPA)

XIV. Announcement(s):

56. **Next scheduled Board Meeting** of the Board of Trustees is on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017**, at the **Administration Building** at **5:30 p.m.**

XV. Adjournment.