

**Wednesday, July 19, 2023**

Notice is hereby given that a regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the George West Independent School District will be held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the George West ISD Administration Building Boardroom, 913 Houston St., George West, and Texas 78022.

**1. Call Meeting to Order and Declare Quorum Present**

Mr. Scott Carroll, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and established a quorum was present. Board members present were Scott L. Carroll, John Campos (arrived at 7:00 p.m.), Booky Goebel, Clay Jostes, Marlin Williams, and Maggie Minnick. Absent: Kathy Likens

**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): (Carroll)

- Regular Meeting – June 13, 2023
- Special Called Meeting – June 29, 2023
- Consider and Approve Budget Amendments and Transfers (Sparks)

Mr. Goebel moved to Approve the Consent Agenda Items as recommended by Superintendent Quesada. Mr. Jostes seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0.

No Transfers or Amendments were submitted.

**4. Public Comment**

No Public Comment

**5. Reports/Discussion and Information Items:**

a. Discuss CTE Impact on Board Policy EIC (Local) (Beverly)

Mrs. Beverly presented a PowerPoint on weight advanced CTE classes.

b. Report on TEA Accountability System (Keach)

Ms. Keach presented a PowerPoint to the Board on the update to the TEA Accountability System.

c. Discuss 2023-2024 Preliminary Budget (Sparks)

Mr. Sparks reviewed and discussed with the Board Members the 2023-2024 Preliminary Budget Report

d. Monthly Financial and Investment Reports (Sparks)

Mr. Sparks reviewed the Monthly Financial and Investment Reports.

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

- August Regular Meeting
- Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for 2023-2024 (Sparks)

August Regular Meeting is set for Wednesday, August 30, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Boardroom including the Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate for 2023-2024.

**6. Regular Business Action Items:**

a. Consider and Approve Board Operating Procedures (Quesada)

The Board Operating Procedures were tabled for another date.

**7. Superintendent's Comments**

- Our Teacher's of the Year, Kim Steelhammer and Brandi McClendon have been invited to a reception of recognition on July 25<sup>th</sup> at the ESC2. Mrs. Steelhammer has been invited to an interview with the 5 Elementary Finalists. On the 25<sup>th</sup> they will announce the Region 2 representatives.

- We are applying for a grant called the Stronger Connections Grant. This comes from federal funds that were acquired by the state. The purpose of the funds (\$93 million) is to promote safer school communities through partnerships with the community, providing mental wellness for students in need, improve discipline and attendance through helping students feel connected. Our grant application is for \$600k and would help us pay staff like our LPC and existing staff under new roles.
- We are also on the Part Time School Health Support Grant which can pay for help for Rachael Clayton on a part time basis. This grant helps districts hire part time help for local qualified candidates that have their EMT/Paramedic Certificate.
- Our Principals Retreat is scheduled for July 25<sup>th</sup>. We use this opportunity to assist our Principals in their planning for the school year. We will be out at Katzfey Event Center for this retreat. We also have New Teacher Orientation scheduled for July 26<sup>th</sup>. Teachers return August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**8. 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  
Discuss items listed herein that may impart Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties,
  - (3) Discipline or Dismissal of All Personnel

Mr. Goebel moved and Mr. Williams seconded the motion to go into closed session. The motion carried 6-0. The Board convened into closed session at 8:30 p.m. as by the Texas Government Section 551.074 (personnel).

Mr. Williams moved to return to open session. Mr. Campos seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0. The Board ended its closed session at 9:47 p.m.

**9. Open Session Action, If Any, on Closed Session Deliberations (Quesada)**

- a. Consider Action on Employment of Personnel  
Mr. Goebel moved that the Board approve for the 2022-2023 school year a one-year dual-assignment probationary contract for Daniel Miner and Peter Smith as recommended by Dr. Roland Quesada. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

**10. Adjournment**

Mr. Williams moved to adjourn at 9:48 p.m. Mrs. Minnick seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

APPROVED:

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Scott Carroll, President

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Kathy Likens, Secretary