



Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Socorro ISD

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Socorro ISD will be held December 16, 2014, beginning at 6:00 PM in the District Service Center Board Room, 12440 Rojas Drive, El Paso, Texas 79928.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

All items on the consent agenda shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS
 - A. Personnel
 - B. District Initiatives/Events
4. BOARD HONORS
Presenter: Daniel Escobar
 - A. The Eastlake High School varsity football team will be recognized for its championship season
 - B. Students will be recognized for receiving awards in the 13th Annual El Paso Community College K-12 Art Contest
 - C. Students will be recognized for winning their respective categories in the 2014 SISD Winter Holiday Art Contest
5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
Presenter: Daniel Escobar
 - A. The members of the New School Naming Task Force will be recognized for their service
6. OPEN FORUM
7. DISTRICT REPORTS
 - A. Facilities Report
INFO: **A presentation of the 2011 Bond program construction projects will be provided for the Board of Trustees.
Presenter: Tom Eyeington
 - B. Grants Report
INFO: **A presentation on active discretionary grants will be provided for the Board of Trustees.
Presenter: Anthony Fraga

C. Internal Audit Report

INFO: **A presentation of completed audit projects will be provided for the Board of Trustees.

Presenter: Joe San Miguel

8. BOARD OF TRUSTEES BUSINESS

A. Report and announcement of Board Member Continuing Education Credit Hours

INFO: **As required by the *Texas Administrative Code* Chapter 61.1, the Board President will announce the completed, deficient and exceeding Board training continuing education hours for each Trustee.

Presenter: Board President Paul Guerra

9. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider approval of Board Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2014 Board Workshop Meeting and November 18, 2014 Regular Board Meeting

B. Consider approval of Employment of Personnel

INFO: **New employment contracts require Board of Trustees approval.

C. Consider approval of Requests for the Use of School Facilities

1. Desert Eagle Productions Dance Studio for the use of Socorro High School Performing Arts Center
2. El Paso Christmas Light Show for the use of Montwood High School
3. Greater El Paso Football Showcase for the use of the Student Activities Complex (SAC)
4. New World Montessori School for the use of Americas High School Theater
5. Sun Bowl Association for the use of the Student Activities Complex (SAC)
6. Texas Circuit 524 A of Jehovah Witnesses for the use of Socorro High School Performing Arts Center
7. TX USA Wrestling for the use of El Dorado High School
8. Wonder World Daycare for the use of Sierra Vista Elementary School

D. Consider approval of Budget Amendments

E. Consider approval of Awarding of Bids

1. Irrigation Supplies - RFP No. 199-1022-E1536
INFO: **Favorable prices and terms secured to procure irrigation supplies as needed district-wide. (Maximum \$150,000)
2. Police, Attendance and Security Uniforms - RFP No. 199-1028-E1543
INFO: **Favorable prices and terms secured to procure uniforms and accessories for the Police Services Department as needed district-wide. (Maximum \$50,000)

F. Consider approval of Contracts

1. Contract(s) - Texas Workforce Commission Adult Education and Literacy Grant Contract
INFO: **The contract is required by the funding agency. SISD's Community Education Department is the lead organization for this grant.
 - a. Contractor - Carmen Varela
INFO: **To provide the Contractor, Carmen Varela, with resources to act as

distance learning provider for the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) Grant. This document constitutes the contract for the services to be provided by Contractor to a designated population of adult learners. (No cost to the district)

b. Service Provider - Presidio Independent School District

INFO: **To provide the Presidio ISD's Adult Education Program with resources to act as a service provider for the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) Grant. Socorro ISD has committed to work with Presidio ISD in its efforts to implement a regional consortium for the delivery of adult education activities. (No cost to the district)

c. Service Provider - Sul Ross State University

INFO: **To provide Sul Ross State University's Adult Education Program with resources to act as a service provider for the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) Grant. Socorro ISD has committed to work with Sul Ross State University in its efforts to implement a regional consortium for the delivery of adult education activities. (No cost to the district)

2. Interlocal Agreement(s) - Texserve

a. Operate Stop-Arm Program

INFO: **Socorro ISD and Texserve desire to enter into this agreement in order to operate the Student Safety/School Bus Stop-Arm Program. (No cost to the district)

b. Lease Equipment

INFO: **Socorro ISD and Texserve desire to enter into this agreement in order to acquire and lease the equipment to the district in connection with the Student Safety/Stop-Arm Program . (No cost to the district)

3. Memorandum of Understanding - Education Service Center Region 19 PEIMS Cooperative

INFO: **The purpose of the MOU is to provide in-depth and timely information on critical issues, training, and networking opportunities for the school district PEIMS Coordinator and selected PEIMS related personnel. (Maximum \$750-Membership Fee)

4. Purchasing Cooperative - Apple, Inc.

INFO: **Purchasing cooperative for the acquisition of technology equipment and accessories for Project Lead The Way Grant (PLTW). (Maximum \$193,422-SMART Grant)

G. Consider approval of new job description for Instructional Officer for Elementary Early Childhood

INFO: **Administration recommends consideration and approval of the new job description as presented under the Consent Agenda.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and possible action regarding a Resolution on School Funding

INFO: ** Socorro American Federation of Teachers is requesting that the Socorro ISD Board adopt a resolution on School Funding and calls for state officials to stop defending the indefensible, broken school-finance system and to negotiate promptly a settlement based on compliance with the state's constitutional obligation to provide for

equitable and adequate funding of full and equal educational opportunity for all Texas students in our public schools.

Presenter: Lily Ruiz, Socorro American Federation of Teachers

B. Consider approval of new school name recommendations

INFO: **As per Policy CW (LOCAL), the Board will consider the recommended names for the new elementary school being built in the Montana area.

Presenter: Dr. Jose Espinoza

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting is to be closed for discussion with legal counsel regarding pending litigation including L. Guerra v. SISD, H. Hernandez v. SISD, administration's recommendation to propose termination of the term contract of teacher F.B. employed at Options High School and teacher N.D. from Americas High School for good cause, receive status report from legal counsel in regard to Tristan v. SISD; to discuss personnel and real estate matters; and to consider administrative recommendations for Principal(s) at Helen Ball Elementary School and Lujan Chavez Elementary School under *Texas Government Code* Sections 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074.

12. NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

A. Discussion and possible action regarding L. Guerra v. SISD

Presenter: Steve Blanco

B. Discussion and possible action regarding administration's recommendation to propose termination of the term contract of teacher F.B. employed at Options High School for good cause

Presenter: Steve Blanco

C. Discussion and possible action regarding administration's recommendation to propose termination of the term contract of teacher N.D. employed at Americas High School for good cause

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D. Approve payment of one half of Guardian Ad Litem fees in connection with Federal Court's approval of judgment dismissing all of Plaintiff's claims against SISD in Tristan v. SISD et al

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E. Consider approval of administrative recommendations

Presenter: Dr. Jose Espinoza

1. Principal(s)

a. Helen Ball Elementary School

b. Lujan Chavez Elementary School

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any items on the agenda is required to be held in a closed meeting, the Board shall conduct a closed meeting as to that item in accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E, Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act.