



Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Socorro ISD

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Socorro ISD will be held August 18, 2020, beginning at 6:00 PM. This meeting will be held by teleconference. The teleconference audio can be accessed at the following toll free number: 1-866-899-4679 using the access code 476-870-493 and through an audio feed located at <https://youtu.be/Q9fx-LUov10>. Any member of the public wishing to comment on an agenda item can send the comments to the following email address board-questions@sisd.net.

All backup and materials for the meeting can be accessed at the following link:

https://www.sisd.net/cms/lib/TX01001452/Centricity/Domain/68/boardbook_2020-08-18.pdf.

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agenda shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration.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. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) 2020-2021 Federal Grant
INFO: **The District is required to hold a public hearing on the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) federal grant entitlement and planned expenditures for the upcoming year. This public hearing is to be completed prior to the District committing any funds to this grant and prior to submitting the ESSER Federal Grant Application to the Texas Education Agency. The deadline to submit the application to TEA is August 24, 2020.
Presenter: Dr. Adam Starke

B. Proposed 2020-2021 Tax Rate

INFO: **The Board of Trustees is required to have conducted a public hearing for the purpose of discussing the proposed tax rate before the adoption of the said item. The public is invited to provide comment on the proposed tax rate.

Presenter: Tony Reza

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider approval of Board Meeting Minutes of the July 21, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and July 29, 2020 Special Board Meeting

B. Consider approval of Employment of Personnel

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

C. Consider approval of Budget Amendments

D. Consider approval of Awarding of Bids

1. Automotive Parts - RFP No. E2103
INFO: **Solicitation to purchase automotive parts as needed district wide. (Maximum \$800,000)
2. Radio Communication Equipment, Installation and Support - RFP No. E2105
INFO: **Solicitation to purchase radio communication equipment, installation, and support as needed district wide. (Maximum \$300,000-General Fund Budget and Grant)

E. Consider approval of Contracts

1. Agreement - Education Service Center Region 19 TEKS Resource System
INFO: **This is for the continuation of commitment for the TEKS Resource System, a curriculum support system for K-12 to provide a common language, process and structure for curriculum development for the 2020-2021 school year. The administrative fee is \$6.50 per student with a PEIMS enrollment of 42,393; the base fee equals \$280,554.50 plus the annual Technology fee of \$10,440; the total cost for Basic TRS Service would be \$290,994.50 as presented.
2. Agreement/s - National Math and Science Initiative College Readiness Program
INFO: **The purpose of this agreement is to implement the National Math and Science Initiative's College Readiness Program at Eastlake High School, Americas High School and Pebble Hills High School. El Dorado High School is currently enrolled.
3. Agreement - YWCA El Paso del Norte Region, Inc. After School Learning Centers and 21st Century Grant Coordination
INFO: **YWCA desires to continue providing appropriate staffing for specific after school learning centers to be administrated by SISD campus locations for students enrolled and participating in specific 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant funded programs and to make available better educational opportunities for SISD students. SISD shall provide a Project Director and Management point of contact for the program and provide teachers, as it deems appropriate for tutoring after school during the duration of the program. (Maximum \$867,000-21st Century Grant Funds)
4. Amendment #2 - Letter of Agreement Workforce Solution Borderplex (Youth Job Skills Grant)
INFO: **The purpose is to continue with establishing a cooperative and mutually beneficial relationship between the parties and to set forth the relative responsibilities of the parties insofar as they relate to providing recruitment, educational mentoring and career navigation services for youth. Modifications to be made pertain to the duration of the agreement and district's responsibilities.
5. Cooperative Program and Data Sharing Agreement - The University of Texas at Austin (OnRamps)
INFO: **The University of Texas at Austin, on behalf of the Office of Strategy and Policy, would like to continue the implementation of the OnRamps program to continue offering dual-enrollment. OnRamps offers the opportunity for high school students to earn high school credit from their district and the opportunity to earn college credits from The University of Texas at Austin through a distance education course. SISD's annual program fees for each student enrolled in an OnRamps course for the 2020-2021 academic year will be \$249 per student, per course. The cost for teacher training for the summer institute will be \$850 for new teachers and \$550 for returning teachers. (Maximum \$60,000-General and Federal Funds)

6. Memorandum of Agreement - Emergency Medical Technician Program (EMT) El Paso Community College
INFO: **This program will continue to provide entry level courses and the opportunity to participate as dual credit or articulated credit student. This is for the Emergency Medical Technology (EMT) instructional services at the High School level at the SISD Center for Health Occupation. (Maximum \$58,187-Carl Perkins Funds)
7. Memorandum of Understanding - The Texas Juvenile Justice Department - Schaeffer House
INFO: **The purpose is to continue to provide educational services for the residents of the Schaeffer Halfway House (Texas Juvenile Justice Department) to comply with federal guidelines. The Schaeffer House is a residential facility for delinquent youth located within SISD and operated by TJJD, an agency of the State of Texas, that provides 24 hour care, control, and custody for individuals between the ages of 10 and 19 years; and the Texas Education code requires SISD to provide admission to its schools for students that are over five years of age and younger than 21 years of age and who reside in a residential facility located in SISD.
8. Purchasing Cooperative - Region 19 #20-7375 Maintenance, Repair and Operation (MRO) Equipment, Supplies and Materials
INFO: **This is for the acquisition of irrigation supplies, material, services and related products for the Department of Maintenance and Operations in the amount of up to \$200,000 as needed district wide through June 30, 2021.
9. Texas Workforce Commission Adult Education and Literacy Grant - Fiscal Agent (Ysleta ISD), Third Year (Final)
INFO: **Through the TWC guidance, the Far West Adult Education Consortium (FWAEC) has determined that collaborative efforts of all adult education providers in the region will result in optimum deliverables. This contract allocates funds to reimburse Socorro ISD's Adult Education Department for AEL services for a total of \$815,808.
10. Western Governors University (WGU) Student Teaching Letter of Agreement
INFO: **The purpose is to establish the terms and conditions under which students of Western Governors University may participate in Student Teaching Internships, Practicum and Observations at the schools located in the Socorro ISD. Socorro ISD shall provide qualified Cooperating Teachers to provide oversight, feedback and mentoring to WGU's participating students.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider approval of 2020-2021 Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate
INFO: **In order to support the 2020-21 fiscal year budget, the administration recommends that the board adopt the 2020-21 Maintenance and Operations tax rate of **\$0.944400** per \$100 of valuation.
Presenter: Tony Reza
- B. Consider approval of 2020-2021 Interest and Sinking Fund Tax Rate
INFO: **In order to support the 2020-21 fiscal year budget, the administration recommends that the board adopt the 2020-21 Interest and Sinking fund tax rate of **\$0.398954** per \$100 of valuation.
Presenter: Tony Reza
- C. Consider approval of Resolution which officially levies the tax rate for the 2020-2021 School Year
INFO: **This Resolution officially levies the tax rate for the Socorro Independent School District for the 2020-21 school year.
Presenter: Tony Reza

- D. Consider approval of amendment and extension of option lease agreement with Branch Towers III, LLC for cell tower site located at Montwood High School
INFO: **The Second Amendment to Option Site Ground Lease will allow additional time due to recent changes and T-Mobile halted all new site build activities for the remainder of 2020. Branch needs the extension on their option timeframe and will continue to work with the city regarding the building permit.
Presenter: Tom Eyeington
- E. Consider approval of Miscellaneous Professional Services for Third Party Inspection, RFP No. E2107
INFO: **To establish a pool of pre-qualification firms for Miscellaneous Professional Services for Third Party Inspection to be used as needed for district-wide projects.
Presenter: Tom Eyeington
- F. Consider approval of revisions to TASB Update 114 and Local Policy
INFO: **Administration recommends consideration and approval of the revisions to TASB Update 114 policies: BE, BED, CKC, CKE, FDE, FFB, FFBA, FL and GKA; and local policy BBG and EIF.
Presenter: Marivel Macias
- G. Discussion and possible action to approve Mascot Media Agreement
INFO: **Digital media service and broadcast agreement with Mascot Media for the broadcast of District events to include licensing and use of SISD intellectual property.
Presenter: Erika Lucero and JJ Calderon
- H. Consider approval of Socorro Independent School District Resolution of the Board regarding State Accountability for the 2020-2021 School Year
INFO: **Administration recommends consideration and approval of the resolution calling for the suspension of State accountability for the 2020-2021 school year to allow districts to focus on interventions necessary to recover instructional gaps resulting from school closures caused by COVID-19.
Presenter: Lucia Borrego

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting is to be closed for consultation with legal counsel; to discuss personnel and real estate matters; and to consider administrative recommendation for Principal position at John Drugan School under *Texas Government Code* Sections 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074.

8. NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- A. Consider approval of administrative recommendation

Presenter: Jose Espinoza, Ed.D.

- 1. Principal, John Drugan 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.