



# Agenda of Regular Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Socorro ISD

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A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Socorro ISD will be held November 17, 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 283-922-941 and through an audio feed located at <https://youtu.be/iViKnUaFIRk>. 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](mailto: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\\_2020-11-17.pdf](https://www.sisd.net/cms/lib/TX01001452/Centricity/Domain/68/boardbook_2020-11-17.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agenda shall be acted upon by one vote without separate discussion, unless a Board member requests that an item be withdrawn for individual consideration.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
4. PUBLIC HEARING
  - A. Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST)  
INFO: \*\*The Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the District's 2019-2020 financial rating using 2019 data.  
Presenter: Tony Reza
5. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Consider approval of Board Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and November 10, 2020 Board Workshop
  - 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 Contracts
    1. Affiliation Agreement - City of El Paso Public Health Department (Clinical Program)  
INFO: \*\*This is to provide to its students a clinical learning experience through the application of knowledge and skills in actual patient-centered situations. City of El Paso Public Health Department has agreed to undertake training activities and to make its facility available to identified students of Socorro ISD for such purposes. Socorro ISD shall be responsible for the implementation and operation of the clinical component of its program at City of El Paso Public Health Department. Such

responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, the orientation of students to the clinical experience, preparation of student/patient assignments and rotation plans for each student and coordination of same; continuing oral and written communication with City of El Paso Public Health Department regarding student performance and evaluation, absences and assignments of students, and other pertinent information.

2. Amendment #3 - Letter of Agreement Workforce Solutions 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. This amendment is to add \$6,000 from the Youth Job Skills Grant and updating Section V, effective October 12, 2020. All other terms remain unchanged.

3. Letter of Agreement for Licensure Programs - Walden University Richard W. Riley College of Education and Leadership

INFO: \*\*The purpose is to continue with the working relationship between the University and Socorro ISD in providing clinical practice experiences as required by the Minnesota Board of Teaching, Minnesota Board of School Administrators, or the Ohio Board of Regents and Ohio State Board of Education, and in accordance with the University's state-approved licensure programs. The University requires Candidates to complete student teaching or field experiences.

4. Memorandum/s of Understanding (MOU)

a. The University of Texas at El Paso-Sponsorship and Collaboration Program

INFO: \*\*This is to establish a program of student academic sponsorship and collaboration in areas of interest and benefit to both institutions. In accordance with SISD policies and procedures, shall select UTEP students who have met all prerequisites for admission into UTEP and their corresponding educational program to participate in the SISD tuition sponsorship program and receive a scholarship from SISD for their educational expenses at UTEP. All students selected by SISD must comply with the SISD selection criteria established by SISD. During the Term of this Agreement, SISD at their sole discretion shall award up to One-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00 US Cy) subject to the SISD tuition sponsorship program. (Maximum \$100,000-General Funds)

b. U.S. Department of Education (ED)-Impact Aid Program

INFO: \*\*This is to set forth the terms and understanding for the school district to participate in the electronic data collection pilot program, in which Socorro ISD will collect Impact Aid data electronically in a manner consistent with the Impact Aid program statute and regulations and other relevant federal laws.

5. UTEP Facilities Use Agreement - SISD Graduations

INFO: \*\*Socorro ISD desires to organize and provide for the presentation of SISD Graduation Ceremonies ("Event") at the University's Don Haskins Center ("Venue") for a term commencing on May 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2025. The date for each Ceremony and Rehearsal to be held on days and times that are mutually acceptable and agreed upon in writing by the designated representative of both parties. University owns and maintains the Don Haskins Center on its property that is suitable for the presentation of Socorro ISD Graduation event.

The University is willing to permit Socorro ISD to use the Venue for the Event under the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. (Maximum between \$60,000-\$80,000 per year-General Funds)

6. Walgreens Agreement - Experiential Learning Program

INFO: \*\*The purpose is to continue with a curriculum or program to train the students, trainees, or clients to be pharmacy technicians or workers in other trades, skills, or qualifications. Socorro Independent School District – Socorro High School Health Professions Academy and Walgreens agree that the development of the program whereby certain of the students, can obtain practical experience and learning in a retail, business, or pharmacy setting related to pharmacy and wellness services would benefit the Participant, the Organization, and the industry with Walgreens and similarly situated businesses, all of which will ultimately provide improved pharmacy and wellness related services to the community.

E. Consider approval of New Job Description: Coordinator of Cultural Opportunity

INFO: \*\*The primary purpose is to ensure fidelity and robustness of the district's and each school's adherence to the five Opportunity Culture Principles, which are strongly correlated with student growth.

F. Consider approval of Waiver for Modified Schedule/State Assessment Testing Days

INFO: \*\*This waiver allows students that are not testing to report and attend school after the state assessment testing period has ended, therefore reducing the interruptions during testing period. Students who are not being tested must still meet the maximum 2 through 4 hour requirement for funding.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider approval of Final Contract Sum for Cactus Trails Elementary School and Kitchen Improvements at Myrtle Cooper and Robert R. Rojas Elementary Schools

INFO: \*\*Facilities and Planning Department has completed our due diligence on Cactus Trails ES and Myrtle Cooper & Robert R. Rojas Kitchen Improvements and will present the contract sum, deductive change order, final contract sum and the final payment for Board acceptance.

Presenter: Tom Eyeington

B. Consider approval of Package Three of the Auxiliary Gyms for Campestre, Escontrias, Hueco, H.D. Hilley, and Robert R. Rojas Elementary Schools (Re-Bid) - RFP No.

E2115

INFO: \*\*The Administrative Review Committee will develop the recommendation for the Board's consideration.

Presenter: Tom Eyeington

C. Consider approval to add *Texas Fixed Income Trust (TX FIT)* Investment Pool

INFO: \*\*The Administration is requesting approval to add the Texas Fixed Income Trust (TX Fit) Investment Pool to our current investment portfolio. Texas Fixed Income Trust (TX Fit) features two distinct and diversified pools that are designed specifically to fit the needs of Texas local governments. TX Fit is managed by Water Walker investments, a firm that has managed public funds since 2000 and is a SCE registered investment advisor. The addition of TX Fit will assist the district to further diversify its investment risk while proving another option to increase investment yields.

Presenter: Tony Reza

D. Consider approval of TASB Update 115

INFO: \*\*Administration recommends consideration and approval of the revisions to the following policies under TASB Update 115: DED, DIA, EI, FB, FEB and FFG as presented.

Presenter: Marivel Macias

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting is to be closed for consultation with legal counsel; to discuss pending and potential acquisition or real property for school needs; and to discuss personnel matters under *Texas Government Code* Sections 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074.

*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.*