

## Regular Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2023 5:30 PM

GISD Administrative Board Room, 1615 St Lawrence St., P O Box 157, Gonzales, Texas 78629

1. Call to Order	<b>Presenter:</b> Board President
1.A. Roll Call	<b>Presenter:</b> Board President
1.B. Invocation:	<b>Presenter:</b> Gloria Torres
1.C. Pledge:	<b>Presenter:</b> D'Anna Robinson
1.D. Mission Statement:	<b>Presenter:</b> Ashley Molina
2. Public Comments	<b>Presenter:</b> Board President
3. New Business/Action Items	
3.A. Consent Agenda	<b>Presenter:</b> Superintendent
Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Consent Agenda	
3.A.1. Minutes of Meetings:	
3.A.2. Budget Amendments:	<b>Presenter:</b> Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer
3.B. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve a Purchase and Budget Amendment for Perimeter Fencing at Gonzales High School and Gonzales Junior High School	<b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools; Veronica Johannsen Chief of Administration, Marketing and Safety
3.C. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the purchase of Math and Science K-8 instructional Materials for the 2023/2024 school year.	<b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent, and Brandi Bell, Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development
3.D. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Gonzales ISD District of Innovation Plan Amendment.	<b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Supt. and Amanda Fullilove, Executive Director of Innovation, School Improvement, and Strategic Initiatives
3.E. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the FFA travel to the National Convention in Indianapolis November 1-4, 2023	<b>Presenter:</b> Jon Basha, GHS Principal, Jennifer Ervin
3.F. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Interlocal Agreement between The University of Texas at Austin and Gonzales Independent School	<b>Presenter:</b> Jon Basha, High School Principal

District for the 2023-2024 OnRamps Program.	
3.G. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the TASB Board Policy Update 121, affecting GISD local policies(see attached list)	<b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Supt.
3.H. Discuss and Consider Action to Enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Leon Alcala, PLLC for Chapter 313 Agreement Reporting and Maintenance of Existing Value Limitation Agreements under Chapter 313 of the Property Tax Code	<b>Presenter:</b> Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer, Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools
3.I. Discuss and Consider Action to Approve a Purchase and Budget Amendment for Playground Equipment for Gonzales Elementary	<b>Presenter:</b> Erin Lindemann-LaBuhn, Executive Director of Special Programs; Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools
<b>4. Reports</b>	
4.A. Financial and Quarterly Investment Report	<b>Presenter:</b> Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer
4.B. Campus Academic Achievement Report	<b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent, and Brandi Bell, Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development
4.C. OnRamps Report	<b>Presenter:</b> Jon Basha, GHS Principal
4.D. Update on the 2023-2024 Grading Guidelines	<b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent, and Brandi Bell, Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development
4.E. Superintendent Reports	<b>Presenter:</b> Superintendent
<b>5. Board Business</b>	
5.A. Board Correspondence	<b>Presenter:</b> Board Secretary
5.B. Dates of Interest	<b>Presenter:</b> Superintendent
6. <b>Adjourn to Closed session: Under Texas Government Code Chapter 551, The board will recess this open session and covene in a closed meeting to discuss items on the agenda. The board may conveniently meet in such a closed or</b>	<b>Presenter:</b> Board President

**executive session or meeting, concerning any and  
all subjects and for any and all purposes  
permitted by Texas government code chapter 551:**

6.A. Resignations

6.B. New Positions

6.C. New Hires

6.D. Real Property-1711 N. Sarah Dewitt Dr.

7. **Reconvene to Open Meeting: The Board will take appropriate action on items, if necessary, as discussed in Closed Session** **Presenter:** Board President

8. **Adjourn** **Presenter:** Board President



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**SUBJECT:** Public Comments

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:**

The next item on the agenda is public comment. Before we begin, I will remind our audience members of the Board's procedures for handling public comments. The public comment portion of our meeting is available to members of the public who wish to address a meeting item on tonight's agenda or other matter pertaining to Gonzales ISD.

Anyone who wants to speak during public comment must sign in before the start of the meeting and list the agenda item they want to discuss. Each public comment speaker will be allowed a maximum of 5 minutes to address the Board. If necessary for effective meeting management, or to accommodate large numbers of individuals wishing to address the Board, we may shorten the time for each individual wishing to present comments. The public comment portion of the meeting will allow all speakers who have signed up before the start of the meeting to address the Board regarding an item on tonight's agenda. Persons requiring a translator will be given additional time.

Please keep your comments or criticisms civil and courteous. Please also avoid using profanity during your opportunity to speak. Last, we ask that you not discuss students who are not your child.

If a speaker is seeking Board resolution of a specific complaint, that concern should be addressed through the District's grievance process. District policy DGBA has been established for addressing employee complaints, policy FNG is the avenue for filing parent complaints, and policy GF address community member complaints. Grievance forms can be obtained at any campus administration office, or in the central administration offices.

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### **ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Consent Agenda

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

#### **RATIONAL SUMMARY:**

**A. Budget Amendments:** On the pages that follow, you will find the most recent budget amendments. Budget amendments are required when funds are transferred between funds and functions, or when there is an increase or decrease in revenue. Transfers of more than 10% of the total budget within a fund or function require Board approval.

**B. Meeting Minutes:** May 8, 2023 Regular Board Meeting  
May 11, 2023 Canvassing Special Meeting

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

**MOTION:** *I move that the Board approve the consent agenda, as presented.*

**Minutes**  
**Monday, May 8, 2023**  
**Regular Board Meeting at 5:30 P.M.**  
**Location of Meeting: GISD Administrative Board Room, 1615 St Lawrence St.**  
**Gonzales, Texas 78629**

**Board Members Present:** Ross Hendershot, III, President  
Justin Schwausch, Vice President  
Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary  
Glenn Menking  
Dr. Kimberly Strozier  
Gloria Torres  
Sandra Gorden

**Board Member Absent:**

**Item #1. Call to Order**

The Board of Trustees of the Gonzales Independent School District met Monday, May 8, 2023, at the Administrative Office Board Room, Gonzales, Texas. President, Ross Hendershot, III called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

A quorum was declared with 7 members present.

**Invocation, Pledge, Mission Statement**

Josie Smith-Wright gave the Invocation. Glenn Menking led the Pledge to the Flag, and Gloria Torres read the Mission Statement.

**Item #2: Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

**Item#3: Recognitions:**

Recognitions were presented by Veronica Johannsen, Chief of Communications, Marketing, Safety, and Security, Joey Rivera, Athletic Director and Amanda Fullilove, Director of Accountability/Strategic Planning.

Ms. Johannsen presented the Academic UIL Team and Coach, Student Recognitions and Staff Recognitions. Coach Rivera recognized the Athletes of the Month. Amanda Fullilove Recognized the Administrator Leadership Academy Teachers.

**Item #4: New Business/Action Items:**

A. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Consent Agenda**

1. Budget Amendments
2. Minutes: April 10, 2023, Regular Board Meeting

Amanda Smith reviewed the budget amendments. There were two adjustments to the Budget Amendments that Ms. Smith presented to the board.

General Fund

- Increase Other Local Sources and Function 36 by \$200 each: donation from First National Bank of Shiner to support the Apache Olympics
- Increase Other Local Sources and Function 61 by \$100 each: donation from Pilot Club of Gonzales to support a family involvement special education event(“special prom”)

Justin Schwausch made a motion, with a second from Glenn Menking, to approve the consent agenda, as presented.

The motion carried 7/0.

B. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the revision to the 2022-23 District Compensation Plan**

Haley Ratliff presented to the board the revisions to the 2022-2023 District Compensation Plan. The changes being revised are highlighted in the board packet.

Dr. Kimberly Strozier made a motion, with a second from Gloria Torres, to approve the 2022-2023 Compensation Plan revisions as presented to support the district's goals of recruitment, hiring, and retention of employees

The motion carried 7/0.

C. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the 2023-2024 District Compensation Plan with additions and substitute rates**

Haley Ratliff presented to the board the 2023-2024 District Compensation Plan with additions and substitute rates.

Mr. Hendershot asked about the addition of the substitute rates.

Mr. Menking made a motion, with a second from Justin Schwausch, to approve the 2023-2024 District Compensation Plan with additions and substitute rates

The motion carried 7/0

D. **Discuss and Consider Action to Appoint Crystal Cedillo, Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector, as the individual to Calculate and Prepare the 2023 No-New Revenue and Voter-Approval Tax Rates for Gonzales ISD**

Amanda Smith presented for approval to Appoint Crystal Cedillo, Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector as the individual to Calculate and Prepare the 2023 No-New Revenue and Voter-Approval Tax Rates for Gonzales ISD.

No questions asked.

Sandra Gorden made a motion, with a second from Gloria Torres, that the board appoint Crystal Cedillo, Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector as the individual to Calculate and Prepare the 2023 No-New Revenue and Voter-Approval Tax Rates for Gonzales ISD, as presented.

The motion carried 7/0.

E. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve Representatives for Lone Star Investment Pool.**

Amanda Smith presented to the board a resolution to Approve Representatives for Lone Star Investment Pool. Due to the personnel change in Financial Services. Jessica Nerada Goodner resigned and went to Nixon Smiley and Financial Services has hired Kayle Molnoskey. Mrs. Smith asked for permission to add Ms. Molnoskey as a View Only User.

There were no questions or comments.

Dr. Kimberly Strozier made a motion, with a second from Glenn Menking, pass and approve the authorized representative add form, as presented.

The motion carried 7/0.

F. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve and sign the Gonzales ISD TEKS Certification Form.**

Amanda Fullilove presented to the board to seek approval and signature for the Gonzales ISD TEKS Certification Form for 2023-2024. It is a yearly process.

There were no questions or comments.

Justin Schwausch made a motion, with a second from Sandra Gorden, to approve the Gonzales ISD TEKS Certification Form for 2023-2024 as presented.

The motion carried 7/0,

G. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Fuel, Lubricant, & Oil Contract**

Gene Kridler presented to the board to seek approval for the Fuel, Lubricant, & Oil Contract. Board Policy requires Board approval on any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$75,000 or more.

The District solicited and received proposals for Fuel, Lubricants, and Oil for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year. These proposals were summarized in the board packet.

Mr. Kridler recommended to the board to approve Schmidt & Sons as the Fuel, Lubricant, & Oil Contract.

Mr. Hendershot thanked Mr. Kridler for having the Evaluation Paperwork in the Board Packet for review.

Dr. Kimberly Strozier made a motion, with a second from Gloria Torres to award the Fuel, Lubricant, and Oil Contract to Schmidt & Son, Inc. as presented.

The motion carried 7/0

H. **Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the FY 23-24 Truancy Prevention and Intervention Program**

Anthony Uballe presented the board the completion of the application for the FY23-24 Truancy Prevention and Intervention Program grant.

Dr. A praised Mr. Uballe for all of his hard work to increase our ADA from 90-93% this year.

Justin Schwausch made a motion, with a second from Glenn Menking to approve the submission for FY 23-24 Truancy Prevention and Intervention Program grant as presented.

The motion carried 7/0.

**Item#5 Reports:**

A. **Financial Report**

The Financial Report was presented by Amanda Smith, CFO.

Mr. Hendershot asked about Other Intergovernmental Charges, Facilities Acquisition & Instruction and Instructional Leadership. Mrs. Smith reassured Mr. Hendershot that she was not concerned about the budget for those items but would let him know if there were changes.

B. **Professional Development for Summer 2023**

Brandi Bell presented to the board the collaboration to develop and offer teachers, administrators and support staff from all five campuses several professional development opportunities for the summer of 2023. The funding is from Title II money.



Mr. Hendershot asked Ms. Bell to explain what Title II funding is. Ms. Bell explained that Title II funding is used for student achievement through teacher and professional development.

Dr. A explained the different funds we get and how we should use the Title II funding.

**D. Energy Savings Report**

Gene Kridler Presented information regarding the Energy Savings Report.

Dr. A commended Gene and all of his crew for holding everyone accountable to help with the energy savings.

**E. Transportation Report**

Gene Kridler presented information due to driver shortages, GISD transportation department is adding No ride zones around each of school for any students living in the zone and attending that particular school. This change will possibly impact 30-40 students. A map was given to each board member to show what the zones are.

Josie Smith-Wright asked questions about a particular zone area, driver pay, number of hours each driver works, pay from surrounding areas.

Mr. Hendershot asked how many more drivers we would need to be fully staffed. Mr. Kridler replied that we are 4 drivers short.

**E. Superintendent Reports**

Presented by Superintendent, Dr. Elmer Avellaneda

The attendance for the year has been very impressive, as it is 93.25%, compared to 91% last year at this time.

Campus Update: STAAR Testing

As of May 5 we have 18 teachers resign compared to the past 3 years 46,45 and three years ago close to 60.

**F. Summer Hours**

During the summer months, GISD observes a 4day work week except for Auxiliary staff who work a regular 5-day work week schedule. The summer hours will begin Wednesday, May 31-Friday, July 28, 2023. A 9.5 hour day will be required.

**Item#6 Board Business:**

**Board Correspondence:** No Correspondence

**Dates of Interest:**

**\*Added Items**

May 1, 2023	School Principal Day
May 8-May 12, 2023	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 2023	Testing
May 5, 2023	Cinco De Mayo
May 5, 2023	School Lunch Hero Day
<b>May 6, 2023</b>	<b>Election Day-Randle Rather Bldg-7am-7pm</b>
May	Special Meeting for Canvassing Election
May 8, 2023	Regular Board Meeting
May 10, 2023	National School Nurse Day
May 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Mother's Day
May 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Athletic Banquet
May 23, 2023	Pre-K Graduation

May 24, 2023	Pre-K Graduation
May 25 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Last Day of School-Students/Early Release & EOY Awards for Faculty and Staff
May 26-May 31, 2023	Teacher Work Day
May 26, 2023	Graduation
May 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Memorial Day/Staff Holiday

**Item #7 Adjourn to Closed Session:**

Under Texas Government Section [551.071](#) (Consultation with Attorney), Code Section [551.072](#) (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), [551.73](#) Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift, Texas Government Code Section [551.074](#), (Personnel, to deliberate regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee), Texas Government Code Section [551.076](#) (Deliberation regarding implementation of Security, personnel or devices) and Section [551.082](#): School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint, Section [551.083](#): Certain School Boards; Meeting Regarding Consultation with Representative of Employee Group, Section [551.084](#): Investigation; Exclusion of witnesses from a hearing.

The board went into a closed session at 6:27 P.M.

**Item #8 Reconvene to Open Meeting:**

The Board will take appropriate action on items, if necessary, as discussed in the Closed Session. The board returned to an open session at 7:50 P.M.

**Item #9 Adjourn**

There being no further business, President Hendershot adjourned the meeting at 7:51 P.M.

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Ross Hendershot, III, President  
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Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary  
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**Minutes**  
**Thursday, May 11, 2023**  
**Canvassing - Special Meeting 5:00 P.M.**  
**Administrative Office Board Room**  
**1615 St Lawrence St., Gonzales, Texas**

**Board Members Present:** Ross Hendershot, III, President  
Justin Schwausch  
Josie Smith-Wright  
Sandra Gorden  
Glenn Menking  
Gloria Torres

**Board Member Absent:** Kimberly Strozier

**Item #1. Call to Order:**

The Board of Trustees of the Gonzales Independent School District met Thursday, May 11, 2023, at the Administrative Office Board Room, 1615 St Lawrence St., Gonzales, Texas. President Ross Hendershot, III called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

A quorum was declared with six members present.

**Invocation, Pledge, Mission Statement**

Josie Smith-Wright gave the invocation, Sandra Gorden the pledge to the flag, and Glenn Menking read the mission statement.

**Item #2 Public Comments:** There were no public comments

**Item#3 Discuss and Consider Action to Canvass and Certify the Results of a General Election for Trustees in single Member District 3 and District 6.**

Dr. Avellaneda informed the board that it was time to canvass the elections. The board president had the board secretary read the Order declaring the results of the Gonzales ISD Trustee election that was held on May 6, 2023. The board canvassed and approved the Order declaring the results of the Gonzales ISD Trustee Election on May 11, 2023.

Sandra Gorden made a motion, with a second from Josie Smith-Wright, to approve the canvass of returns and approve the Order Declaring results of the Gonzales ISD Trustee Election held on May 6, 2023, as presented. The motion carried 6/0.

**Administer Certificate of Election and Statement of Elected Officer.**

The Superintendent recommended that the certificate of Election be presented to, Ross Hendershot, III (District 5), D'Anna Robinson (District 3) and Ashley Molina (District 6), and that they sign the Statement of Officer form.

The Statement of the Officer was read by the Administrative Assistant Maggie Holub to the three candidates. All three candidates, Ross Hendershot, III, D'Anna Robinson, And Ashley Molina swore and affirmed, the Statement of Officer.

Justin Schwausch made a motion, with a second from Glenn Menking, to approve the recommendation that the Certificate of Election be presented to Ross Hendershot, III (District 5), D'Anna Robinson, (District 3) and Ashley Molina, (District 6) and that they sign the Statement of Officer form. The motion carried 6/0.

### **Administration of Oath of Office**

The Superintendent recommended that the Oath of Office be administered to the elected officers Ross Hendershot, III, (District 5), D'Anna Robinson, (District 3) and Ashley Molina (District 6) by a Notary Public, Maggie Holub.

The statement of the officer was read to the three candidates by Maggie Holub, a notary republic and they then had to swear or affirm the statement. All three candidates, Ross Hendershot, III, D'Anna Robinson and Ashley Molina swore and affirmed the statement.

Josie Smith-Wright made a motion, with a second from Glenn Menking to administer the Oath of Office to Ross Hendershot, III (District 5) D'Anna Robinson (District 3) and Ashley Molina (District 6). The motion carried 6/0.

### **Reorganization of Elected Officers**

The Superintendent informed the Board that at the first meeting after each election and qualification of Board members the members of the Board should organize by selecting a board president, a secretary, and any such other officers and committees as the board may deem necessary. The Superintendent recommends that the board approve the election of elected officers.

Gloria Torres made a motion, with a second from Sandra Gorden, that the current board officers remain the same with President, Ross Hendershot; Vice-President, Justin Schwausch; and Secretary, Josie Smith-Wright. The motion carried 6/0.

### **Adjourned to Closed Session:**

Under Texas Government Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), Code Section 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), 551.73 Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift, Texas Government Code Section 551.074, (Personnel, to deliberate regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee), Texas Government Code Section 551.076 (Deliberation regarding implementation of Security, personnel or devices) and Section 551.082: School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint, Section 551.083: Certain School Boards; Meeting Regarding Consultation with Representative of Employee Group, Section 551.084: Investigation; Exclusion of witnesses from a hearing.

The Board adjourned into a closed session at 5:17 P.M. .

### **Reconvene into Open Session: The Board will take appropriate action on items, if necessary, as discussed in Closed Session.**

The Board returned to the open session at 5:40 P.M

Josie Smith-Wright made a motion, with a second from Justin Schwausch, to approve the Gonzales ISD PD Chief of Police contract, as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

### **Item #4 Adjourn**

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Josie Smith-Wright, Secretary  
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**2022-23 Proposed Budget Revision  
General Operating Fund  
Regular Board Meeting - June 12, 2023**

	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Amendment</b>	<b>Proposed Revised Budget</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
5700 Local Property Taxes	20,679,020		20,679,020
5700 Other Local Sources	269,199		269,199
5800 State Revenues	6,591,444		6,591,444
5900 Federal Sources	1,102,384		1,102,384
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>28,642,047</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28,642,047</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
0011 Instruction	15,018,254	(79,392)	14,938,862
0012 Instructional Resources & Media Services	160,713		160,713
0013 Curriculum & Staff Development	746,357		746,357
0021 Instructional Leadership	268,767		268,767
0023 School Leadership	1,589,030	50,000	1,639,030
0031 Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation	1,208,539		1,208,539
0032 Social Work Services	1,152		1,152
0033 Health Services	378,364		378,364
0034 Student Transportation	1,399,415		1,399,415
0035 Food Services	0	6,000	6,000
0036 Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities	1,061,597		1,061,597
0041 General Administration	1,958,281		1,958,281
0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	4,705,618		4,705,618
0052 Security & Monitoring Services	400,455		400,455
0053 Data Processing Services	1,120,585		1,120,585
0061 Community Services	129,608		129,608
0071 Debt Services	809,576		809,576
0081 Facilities Acquisition & Instruction	183,850	23,392	207,242
0099 Other Intergovernmental Charges	512,060		512,060
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>31,652,221</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>31,652,221</b>
7911 Capital -Related Debt Issue			
7913 Capital Lease Proceeds	354,600		354,600
7915 Operational Transfer In			0
8911 Operational Transfer Out	500		500
<b>NET ACTIVITY</b>	<b>(2,656,074)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2,656,074)</b>

**Notes:**

- Move \$50,000 from Function 11 to Function 23: GJHS Intercom System
- Move \$23,392 from Function 11 to Function 81: Architect/Engineer for Press Box Project
- Move \$6,000 from Function 11 to Function 35: Stipend for Food Service Supervisor



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### **ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to Approve a Purchase and Budget Amendment for Perimeter Fencing at Gonzales High School and Gonzales Junior High School

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Veronica Johannsen, Chief of Administration, Communications and Safety; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** To support the district's safety & security initiative, the administration recommends installing perimeter fencing at Gonzales High School and Gonzales Junior High School. Pricing and additional information for the project has been included on the following pages.

Per policy CH (Local), the board alone has the authority to approve any single expenditure over the amount of \$75,000. The purchase will be made through a TASB BuyBoard purchasing cooperative contract.

A budget amendment in the amount of \$218,867 from Function 11 to Function 51 is necessary to move forward. We received several bids for this project that are included in the board packet.

**ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**SAMPLE MOTION:** *"I move that the board approve the purchase and budget amendment, as presented."*



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**ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Instructional Material Purchase Approval

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent, & Brandi Bell, Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** The Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development will seek approval to purchase math and science K-8 instructional materials to bridge the gap year in the adoption cycle.

**ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**SAMPLE MOTION:** *"I move that the board approve the purchase of the math and science K-8 instructional materials for the 2023-2024 school year' as presented.*



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**ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to approve the Gonzales ISD District of Innovation Plan Amendment.

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent; Amanda Fullilove, Executive Director of Innovation, School Improvement, and Strategic Initiatives

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Gonzales ISD administration is seeking approval of an amendment to the GISD District of Innovation plan. This amendment removes the stipulation that uncertified individuals hired for a teaching position receive state-based pay.

**ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**SAMPLE MOTION:** *"I move that the Board of Trustees approve the Amendment to the Gonzales ISD District of Innovation Plan."*

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**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action on FFA travel to National Convention in Indianapolis November 1-4, 2023

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Jon Basha, GHS Principal; Jennifer Ervin

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Travel to National Convention gives students the opportunity to see the National Organization and to experience travel to another state. Students also participate in community service projects while at the convention, allowing them to support organizations outside of their local community. Travel to the National Convention is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see how the world of agriculture impacts industry across the nation. Students also have the opportunity to see/visit out-of-state colleges and nationwide companies through tours and workshops.

*The National FFA Convention & Expo is a National Association of Secondary School Principals-approved student program.*

*FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.*

*The National FFA Convention & Expo is all about growing the next generation of leaders. No matter where students are in FFA, they will find inspiration and direction to become a leader and influencer, ready to make an impact. During this event, they find out who they are, who they want to become and how they can change how the world grows.*

*Agricultural education prepares students for successful careers and a lifetime of informed choices in global agriculture, food, fiber and natural resources systems.*

Travel is paid for by the FFA Activity Funds and CTE Funds. Parents will be required to pay for airfare and then extra spending money.

**ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**SAMPLE MOTION:** "I move that the Board of Trustees approve the FFA travel to the National Convention in Indianapolis November 1-4, 2023 as presented"



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### **ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the Interlocal Agreement with The University of Texas at Austin and Gonzales ISD for the 2023-2024 OnRamps Program.

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Jon Basha, High School Principal

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Administration recommends continuing the OnRamps higher education program with UT for the 2023-2024 school year. The purpose of this agreement is to provide students the opportunity to earn both college and high school credit while enrolled in high school which leads to a post-secondary readiness.

**ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**SAMPLE MOTION:** *"I move that the board approve the Interlocal Agreement, with UT Austin for the 2023-2024 OnRamps Program as presented."*



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### **ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to Approve the TASB Board Policy Update 121, affecting GISD local policies (see attached list)

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** The Texas Association of School Boards has provided the Gonzales ISD with Policy Update 121. Overview information concerning these proposed policy revisions was included in the following pages. Explanatory Notes, Instruction Sheet, and other materials are provided to the board to explain the changes that occurred during the Regular Legislative Session.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** APPROVE

**MOTION:** I move that the Board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service for Update 121 as presented.



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### **ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to Enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Leon Alcala PLLC for Chapter 313 Agreement Reporting and Maintenance of Existing Value Limitation Agreements under Chapter 313 of the Property Tax Code

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** To support requirements associated with the district's two existing Chapter 313 agreements (#1586 Starling Solar, LLC and #1597 Cannon Solar, LLC), the administration recommends renewing the agreement with Leon Alcala PLLC (formerly known as Sara Leon and Associates). The fees associated with this engagement are covered by the 313 agreements which require the applicants to reimburse the district for any administrative costs.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**SAMPLE MOTION:** *"I move that the board approve and enter into the agreement, as presented."*



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### **ACTION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and Consider Action to Approve a Purchase and Budget Amendment for Playground Equipment for Gonzales Elementary

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Erin Lindemann-LaBuhn, Executive Director of Special Programs; Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** To support the increasing number of students who need inclusive playground equipment at Gonzales Elementary, administration recommends the purchase and installation of new equipment utilizing a TASB BuyBoard purchasing cooperative contract.

Renderings as well as the quote have been included with this action item.

Budget can be reallocated within existing budget (from Function 31 to Function 11) to accommodate this purchase.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**SAMPLE MOTION:** *"I move that the board approve the purchase and budget amendment, as presented."*



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## **REPORT ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Financial and Quarterly Investment Report

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent; Amanda Smith, Chief Financial Officer

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Administration will provide the Board with an update on the district's finances to include the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter investment report.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** n/a

**MOTION:** n/a



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## REPORT ITEM

**SUBJECT:** Campus Academic Achievement Report

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent; Brandi Bell, Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** The Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership and Professional Development will share with the board the current student academic achievement results.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** n/a

**SAMPLE MOTION:** n/a



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## REPORT ITEM

**SUBJECT:** OnRamps

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent; Jon Basha, GHS Principal

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** The GHS Principal will share with the board the current snapshot data for students enrolled in OnRamps at Gonzales High School.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** n/a

**SAMPLE MOTION:** n/a





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## REPORT ITEM

**SUBJECT:** Grading Guidelines Update for 2023/2024

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent; Brandi Bell, Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership, and Professional Development

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** The Executive Director of Recruitment, Leadership and Professional Development will share with the board the updated grading guidelines for the 2023/2024 school year.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:** n/a

**SAMPLE MOTION:** n/a



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## REPORT ITEM

**SUBJECT:** Superintendent's Report

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent, &  
Sarah Gottwald, Director of PEIMS

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Information provided by the superintendent is designed to keep the Board of Trustees informed regarding daily operations of the school district.

**A) Campus Updates**

**B) Student Enrollment and Attendance Update**

May 2022 Student Enrollment – 2590  
May 2023 Student Enrollment – 2540

May 2022 Attendance Rate – 91.25%  
May 2023 Attendance Rate – 91.79%

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: N/A**

**SAMPLE MOTION: N/A**



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**INFORMATION ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Board Business

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

**AUTHORITY FOR THIS ACTION:** GISD School Board Policy BF (Local)

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Information provided through the Board Business section of the agenda aimed at keeping trustees informed of routine correspondence.

**\*Added Items**

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June 12, 2023	Board Meeting
June 14 <sup>th</sup> - June16 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Leadership – San Antonio Texas



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**Adjourn to Closed Session**  
Under Texas Government Code Chapter 551

The board will recess this open session and convene in a closed meeting to discuss items on the agenda. The Board may conveniently meet in such closed or Executive Session or meeting, concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Texas Government Code chapter 551, including, but not limited to:

Section 551.071: Consultation with Attorney;

Section 551.072: Deliberation Regarding Real Property;

Section 551.073: Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift;

Section 551.074: Personnel Matters; Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: Closed Meeting.

Section 551.076: Deliberation Regarding Security Devices;

Section 551.082: School Children; School District Employees; Disciplinary Matter or Complaint

Section 551.083: Certain School Boards; Meeting Regarding Consultation with Representative of Employee Group

Section 551.084: Investigation; Exclusion of witnesses from a hearing.

No voting will take place in the closed meeting. Any action the board wishes to take as a result of discussions in a closed session will take place after the board reconvenes in an open meeting. Today's date is \_\_\_\_\_ and it is \_\_\_\_\_ p.m./am

**ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Elmer Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools

**RATIONAL SUMMARY:** Personnel Matters

Personnel matters are as follows:

- A. Resignations
- B. New Positions
- C. New Hires
- D. Real Property