



Galena Park Independent School District  
**OFFICIAL AGENDA**  
Regular Board Meeting  
December 8, 2008

**Special Workshop/Training – 6:00 P.M.**  
**Executive Session – 6:30 P.M.**  
**Regular Open Meeting – 7:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ANNOUNCE QUORUM**

**II. Closed Session according to Texas Government Code 551.001 pursuant to:**

**Section 551.074** For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee

- 1. Personnel Items Including:**
  - a. New Teacher Hires**

**III. Reconvene for Possible Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session**

**IV. Open Meeting**

**A. Invocation**

**B. Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags**  
**Cobb Sixth Grade Campus Color Guard**

**C. Consider Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, Monday, November 10, 2008, 7:00 P.M.; and Special Meeting, Monday, November 10, 2008, 6:00 P.M.**

**V. RECOGNITION**

**A. Student Recognition**

- 1. Miguel Rodriguez**, Galena Park High School student recognized for advancing to the UIL State Cross Country Meet after placing 9<sup>th</sup> at the Regional II Cross Country Meet
- 2. Galena Park High School Band of Gold** recognized for earning top ratings at the University Interscholastic League (UIL) Region XIX Marching Contest
- 3. North Shore Senior High School “Sound of Thunder” Marching Band** recognized for competing in the University Interscholastic League (UIL) State Marching Contest

**VI. AUDIENCE ITEMS**

**VII. ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT**

**Sam Harris, Program Director for Fine Arts** will present the programs offered in the Galena Park Independent School District.

**VIII. REPORTS**

**A. Wayne Oquin, Board President**

- 1. Board Member Continuing Education Hours**

**B. Angi Williams, Ed.D. Deputy Superintendent for Educational Support**

1. Progress Report on Meeting Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements for 2008-2009  
**Arnold Ramirez, Executive Director of Human Resource Services**

**C. David Hopkins, Deputy Superintendent of Operations**

1. Bond Construction Program – **Richard Gates, Director of New Facilities & Planning**

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Approve** the Board of Trustees/Superintendent's Goals for the 2008-2009 school year as presented
2. **Authorize** the Superintendent to sign the engagement letter with Thompson & Horton LLP, and enter into any agreements regarding the transfer of files between Thompson & Horton LLP and Bracewell & Giuliani LLP as presented

**ACTION**

**A. CONSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA**

**1. Cimarron Elementary – Spark Park**

**Project No. 101.SP-2007**

**Approve** to make final payment to Miracle Recreation Equipment Company as presented

**2. North Shore Senior High School – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Addition**

**Project No. 004-2006**

**Approve** to make final payment to Drymalla Construction Company as presented

**ACTION**

**B. GENERAL CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Approve** the submission of the Texas Support for Homeless Education Program (TEXSHEP) Grant as presented
2. **Approve** the submission of the 2008-2011 Collaborative Dropout Reduction Program-Cycle 2 Republished 11-12-2008 Program Grant as presented

**ACTION**

**C. FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Authorize** the superintendent to provide a letter of non-objection with an assurance from Equistar Chemicals, L.P. to reimburse the District from any potential revenue loss as presented
2. **Approve** and **secure** services with JEM Resource Partners for 403(b) Administrative Services through an Inter-local agreement with Region 10 Educational Service Center as presented
3. **CSP 28-02 Portable Building Relocation**  
**Approve** award of contract to *Cherry House Moving* for one (1) year with two (2) annual renewal options as presented
4. **Approve** Proposed Budget Amendments for the month of November 2008, as presented

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