

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Trustees
El Paso Independent School District
September 4, 2001
6:00 p.m.
Education Center-Boeing

Present: Mr. Dan Wever, President
Dr. Gene Finke, Vice President
Miss Leonor Garcia, Secretary
Mr. Sal Mena, Jr.
Dr. Charles Roark
Mr. Joe Rosales
Mr. Richard Telles
Dr. Gilberto Anzaldúa, Superintendent
Mr. Anthony Safi, School District Attorney

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m. by Mr. Wever. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by EPIDS Police Officer Jorge Hernandez.

Professional Services Contract Awards (Item #1)

It was moved by Mr. Rosales, seconded by Mr. Mena, and carried unanimously that the Board approve the award of the following professional services contracts, subject to the review and approval of the District's attorney, to the recommended consulting firms for the preparation of plans, specifications, bid documents and other additional program elements as may be required for the construction and installation of the projects described for the designated Basic Services Fee, with additional services listed in the contract to be paid at established hourly rates only if authorized in writing by the Owner for services the Owner cannot provide.

- A. Hillside Elementary School – IAQ (Indoor Air Quality) Improvements, #02.658 (approx. \$40,000.00), to EMC Engineers, LLC for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$40,000.00.
- B. Education Center Boeing – Chiller Replacement, #02.698 (approx. \$24,000.00) to Fluid Systems, Inc. for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$24,000.00.
- C. Northeast Regional Tennis Center Parking Lot, #02.727 (approx. \$9,600.00) to Mesa & Associates, Inc. for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$9,600.00.
- D. Districtwide Drainage Improvements – Collins, Logan, Rusk, and White Elementary Schools; and Burges High School, #02.922 (approx. \$48,000.00) to Dorado Engineering for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$48,000.00.
- E. Districtwide ADA Handicap Accessibility, #02.923 (approx. \$33,400.00) to ARTchitecture, PLLC for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$33,400.00.

- F. Districtwide ADA/504 Compliance, #02.924 (approx. \$33,400.00) to Synthesis Architecture for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$33,400.00.
- G. Portable Classrooms, #02.925 (approx. \$65,000.00) to BKM Architects/Planners, Inc. for a 6.5 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$65,000.00.
- H. Districtwide Priority 1 Critical Maintenance, Phase 1, #02.929 (approx. \$92,406.40) to Perspectiva for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$92,406.40.
- I. Districtwide 2001 Roof Replacement – Dowell, Park, and Polk Elementary Schools; and Austin, Burges, and Coronado High Schools, Phase 1, #02.931 (approx. \$86,320.00) to Lopez & Lopez Architects for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$86,320.00.
- J. Districtwide Elevator Code Deficiencies, #02.581 (approx. \$20,000.00) to Borunda & Associates, Inc. for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$20,000.00.
- K. Districtwide 2001 Roof Replacement – Alta Vista, Clardy, Cooley, Hart, and Johnson Elementary Schools; Guillen Middle School; El Paso High School; and Center for Career and Technology Education, Phase 2, #02.964 (approx. \$87,200.00) to Thacker Design, Inc. for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$87,200.00.
- L. Districtwide Priority 1 Critical Maintenance, Phase 2, #01.971 (approx. \$92,406.40) to PSRBB Architects, Inc. for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$92,406.40.
- M. Districtwide Priority 1 Critical Maintenance, Phase 3, #02.972 (approx. \$92,406.40) to Mijares/Mora Architects, Inc. for an 8.0 percent Basic Services Fee in the estimated amount of \$92,406.40.
- N. Districtwide Evaporative Cooler Replacement, Phase 3, #02.973 (\$15,000.00) to Alegro Engineering for a Basic Services Fee in the amount of \$15,000.00.
- O. Districtwide Asbestos Management Services, #02.580 (\$200,000.00) to Engineering and Fire Investigation for a Basic Services Fee in the amount of \$200,000.00.
- P. AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act)/TDH (Texas Department of Health) Asbestos Compliance Services, #02.583 (\$50,000.00) to Border Environmental Services for a Basic Services Fee in the amount of \$50,000.00.
- P. Districtwide Asbestos Management Services, #02.936 (\$200,000.00) to Raba-Kistner Consultants (SW), Inc. for a Basic Services Fee in the amount of \$200,000.00.

Approval of Emergency Repairs to Coronado High School Auxiliary Gym as Authorized by Texas Education Code, Section 44.031 (h) (Item #2)

Mr. Hector Martinez, Associate Superintendent of Operations, provided information on a recent fire in the auxiliary gymnasium at Coronado High School, which resulted in a substantial amount of damage to the weight training room, adjacent mechanical room, electrical facilities, and the auxiliary gym proper. He reviewed the steps that were being taken

to prepare plans and specifications on the required repairs to the structure, which were estimated to be in excess of \$200,000.00. Mr. Martinez advised that in order to expedite the repairs, the Operations Division proposed to employ a combination of internal maintenance work forces, in-place Demand Service Contracts, and outside construction contractors as needed. He requested that the Board declare an emergency and authorize the Operations Division to proceed with the necessary repairs pursuant to Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, Purchasing Contracts, paragraph (h), Subchapter B Purchases, Contracts.

There was discussion on the need to complete the repairs as quickly as possible; the repairs being funded from the Operations Construction Budget, minus the amount to be reimbursed by the insurance company; and the plan to solicit a minimum of three proposals from outside contractors.

The Board determined that the delay posed by the methods provided for in Section 44.031 in the Texas Education Code would prevent or substantially impair the conduct of classes at Coronado High School.

It was moved by Mr. Mena and seconded by Miss Garcia that the Board declare an emergency in connection with the required repairs to the auxiliary gymnasium and related facilities at Coronado High School resulting from a recent fire at the campus and that the Board authorize the administration to proceed with the completion of repairs to the auxiliary gymnasium and related facilities without the need for newspaper advertising, any Board approvals, or the utilization of any of the procurement methods specified in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted under the Texas Education Code, Section 44.031, Purchasing Contracts, Paragraph (h).

Approval of Placing a Moratorium on Offering of Cancer Plans and Intensive Care Riders Through Payroll Deductions Effective January 1, 2002 (Item #3)

It was moved by Mr. Mena, seconded by Mr. Telles, and carried unanimously that the Board postpone for one year the placing of a moratorium on the offering of cancer plans and intensive care riders through payroll deductions, that the current offering remain in place, and that administration look into a self-funded cancer plan and intensive care riders for the coming year. Dr. Finke was not present for the vote.

The following people requested to speak to this item:

1. Ms. Terry Sanderson declined the opportunity to speak.
2. Ms. Anna Maynard declined the opportunity to speak.

Item Withdrawn

It was announced that item no. 4, A., 3., Personnel Appointments – Principal, Jefferson High School, had been withdrawn from the agenda.

Meeting Closed (Item #4)

The meeting was recessed at 6:53 p.m. to a closed meeting by Mr. Wever under Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code as follows:

A. Personnel Appointments

1. Associate Superintendent, Finance
2. Principal, Hillside Elementary School

The closed meeting started at 6:57 p.m. The closed meeting ended at 7:23 p.m.

Meeting Opened

The meeting was reassembled in Open Session at 7:24 p.m.

Personnel Appointments – Associate Superintendent, Finance (Item #4,A., 1.)

It was moved by Dr. Finke and seconded by Miss Garcia that the Board accept the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint William D. Goodman, adjunct faculty member with Truckee Meadows Community College and former Superintendent and Tax Assessor/Collector with the Dell City ISD, to the position of Associate Superintendent, Finance. Upon the vote, the motion carried with Dr. Roark voting "present."

Personnel Appointments – Principal, Hillside Elementary School (Item #4, A., 2.)

It was moved by Mr. Mena, seconded by Mr. Rosales, and carried unanimously that the Board accept the Superintendent's recommendation to appoint Vincent Sheffield, Assistant Principal at Newman Elementary School, to the position of Principal, Hillside Elementary School.

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Date Approved: November 13, 2001