

AGENDA
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
REGION 4 EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of Region 4 Education Service Center will be held on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 11:00 AM in the Region 4 ESC Board Room, 7145 West Tidwell Road, Houston, TX 77092. Such meeting is a Regular Meeting.

Region 4 Education Service Center will have a quorum physically present at the before mentioned location. The presiding officer will be physically present at that location.

The items on this agenda do not necessarily have to be handled in the order listed on this notice.

The presiding officer will present the following agenda:

1. General Items
 - A. Call to Order
 - B. Invocation and Pledge
 - C. Comments from public
 - D. Remarks and Recognitions by Executive Director
2. Reports/Information Items
 - A. Public hearing and Board consideration of the preceding year's performance report
 - B. Report on Region 4 personnel matters
 - C. Report on Region 4 Educator Certification interlocal agreements
 - D. Report on public agencies utilizing OMNIA Partners/Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC) contracts
3. Consent Agenda
 - A. Administration
 1. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on June 27, 2023
 2. Approval and adoption on second reading of the Localized Policy Manual Update 29 prepared by Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Policy Services. Affected policies include:
AD (LEGAL) MISSION/SERVICES
BBI (LEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS
BDB (LEGAL) BOARD ORGANIZATION: INTERNAL BOARD COMMITTEES
BE (LEGAL) BOARD MEETINGS
BE (LOCAL) BOARD MEETINGS
CI (LEGAL) PROPERTY DISPOSAL
CP (LEGAL) RECORDS MANAGEMENT
CP (LOCAL) RECORDS MANAGEMENT
CRD (LEGAL) INSURANCE AND ANNUITIES MANAGEMENT: HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE
DBE (LEGAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: NEPOTISM
DBE (LOCAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: NEPOTISM
DC (LEGAL) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES
DEBB (LEGAL) LEAVES AND ABSENCES: MILITARY LEAVE
DHD (LEGAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT: REPORTS TO TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY
ED (LEGAL) RELATIONS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
EE (LEGAL) USE OF ESC FACILITIES BY OUTSIDE ENTITIES
FBA (LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION
FBA (LOCAL) STUDENT WELFARE: FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION

- B. Business Office
 - 1. Approval of budget amendments
 - 2. Approval of financial statements
- C. OMNIA Partners
 - 1. Approval of contract renewals
- 4. Action Items
 - A. Administration
 - 1. Approval of 2023–2024 Center-wide Goals
 - 2. Approval of Whova Event Management Software Services purchase
 - 3. Approval of OKTA identity management service
 - 4. Approval of Cloud Platforms from Amazon Web Services purchase
 - 5. Approval to implement NextGen for escWorks
 - 6. Approval of Bayou City Interpreting Contract
 - B. Business
 - 1. Approval of proposed FY 2023-2024 budget
 - 2. Approval of Board Resolution to designate General Fund Balance commitments
 - 3. Approval of contract award for custom applications managed resources support
- 5. Closed Session
[in accordance with the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act]
 - A. Discuss evaluation for the Executive Director [Tex. Gov. Code Section §551.074]
 - B. Reconvene to consider and take possible action on items discussed in closed session
- 6. Adjournment

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this notice, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by Sections 551.071 through 551.084 of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Act) will be held by the Board at that date, hour and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Section 551.071 through 551.084 inclusive, of the Texas Government Code, Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to:

Section 551.071 - For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.

Section 551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

Section 551.073 - For the purpose of considering a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation.

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.

Section 551.076 - To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices.

Section 551.082 - For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child or children or to hear a complaint by an employee against another employee if the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing.


Section 551.084 - For the purpose of excluding witness or witnesses from a hearing during examination of another witness.

Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either:

- a. the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of this public meeting, or
- b. at a subsequent public meeting of the Board upon notice thereof, as the Board shall determine.

CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on Friday, August 18, 2023, 10:00 a.m.


Rodney Watson, Ph.D., Executive Director