

**The Varnett Public School  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA  
Omni Hotel  
4 Riverway  
Houston, TX. 77056  
April 30, 2016  
8:00 AM**

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1. Opening Items
  - A. Call to Order
  - B. Declaration of Quorum Stated for the record, the names of trustees representing the quorum and the notice has been posted in the time and manner required by law
  - C. Invocation and Pledges to the United States Flag and Texas Flag
2. Citizen Inquiries will be allocated at each regular meeting. After registering with the board prior to the meeting, a school district resident, parent, employee, vendor, or potential vendor shall have an opportunity to address the Board of Trustees for the four specific purposes as dictated by the state laws governing open meetings:
  - 1) to discuss an item that appears on the agenda/notice of meeting,
  - 2) to make a request for specific factual information,
  - 3) to ask for a recitation of existing policy, and
  - 4) to redress grievances.

In accordance with the law, no deliberation, discussion or decision will be made other than to consider a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting, unless the subject is listed on the board agenda, in which case it may be discussed by the board. Factual information only in regard to a citizen inquiry may be shared at any point by the superintendent. Oral comments are limited to five minutes in length, unless extended by a majority of the trustees, and must not mention any individuals by name or position or contain any personally identifiable reference.

3. Closed Session and/or Executive Session

Executive Session

Tex. Gov't Code § 551.071: Consultation with Board attorney regarding all matters as authorized by law, including Board governance and legal advice.

Tex. Gov't Code § 551.074: deliberation regarding appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public school official or employee including superintendent's evaluation and contract.

Reconvene after Closed Session and/or Executive Session

Enter into Board Training

**A. Board Training**

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| 8:00- 10:00 a.m. | <b>Session 1: Basics of Good Governance<br/>Board Role, Board Policy, Open Meetings</b>  |
| 10:00-11:30 a.m. | <b>Session 2: Taking Care of the Money, Part 1<br/>Investments, Depository Bank, Charter FIRST</b>   |
| 11:30- 1:00 p.m. | <b>Working Lunch</b>   |
|                  | <b>Session 3: Taking Care of the Money, Part 2<br/>Procurement Policy, Real Estate Transactions</b>  |
| 1:00-2:00 p.m.   | <b>Session 4: Taking Care of the Kids<br/>Academic Accountability, Newly Authorized ESSA, national<br/>and state trends in charter schools</b> |
| 2:00-2:30 p.m.   | <b>Questions and Answers</b>   |
| 2:30 p.m.        | <b>Adjourn</b>   |