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## HISD Board to consider team-building session, active-shooter training

Feb. 13, 2019 – The Houston Independent School District Board of Education on Thursday will consider requiring an annual January team-building session between trustees and the superintendent. The purpose of the sessions would be to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the board.

The board's regular monthly meeting begins at 5 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 14 in the Manuel Rodríguez Jr. Board Auditorium of the Hattie Mae White Educational Support Center, 4400 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St., 77092.

In keeping with HISD's commitment to excellence in public safety, the board will also consider an agreement with the Harris County Sheriff's Office for HISD officers to undergo active-shooter training drills in conjunction with Harris County deputies. Under the terms of the agreement, the training would be free.

At Thursday's meeting, trustees will also consider suspending the search for a permanent superintendent until after the Texas Education Agency concludes its Special Accreditation Investigation. The suspension would hold until all appeals are concluded.

The board is also expected to consider an agenda item to accept almost \$55,000 in grants to replace instruments destroyed by Hurricane Harvey at Fonville and Forest Brook middle schools. The grants are from the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation.

The board meeting will be broadcast live online at <a href="www.hisdtv.org">www.hisdtv.org</a> and on HISD TV (Xfinity channel 18 or AT&T U-verse Channel 99). Click <a href="here">here</a> to view the full agenda.

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