

MINUTES

Taos Municipal School Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 9, 2018
Arroyos Del Norte Elementary
405 Hondo Seco Rd, Arroyo Seco, NM 87514

- A. Call to order-**The regular meeting of the Taos Municipal Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Sanborn at 6:13 pm.
- B. Roll Call-**Administrative Assistant, Linda Sanchez conducted a roll call. The following members were present: President James Sanborn & Secretary Whitney Goler. A quorum could not be established at this time. President Sanborn explained that action items could not be voted on at this time, if a quorum is established we will continue with all action items.
- Absent were: Vice President Mark Flores; Member Dr. David Chavez and Member Jason Silva. (Member Silva arrived at 7:00 pm at which time a quorum was established)
- C. Pledge of Allegiance-**Principal Renetta Mondragon led the board members and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- D. Approval of the Agenda-**President Sanborn stated that at this time we could not approve the agenda but would proceed with presentations, and will not take any action on items needing approval. If we have another board member arrive we will take action at that time.

President Sanborn made a motion to approve the agenda as presented at 7:31 pm at which time a quorum was established, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Secretary Goler-yes, Member Silva-yes. Motion carried.

- E. Student Report-**No student report

F. Presentations

a) Arroyos Del Norte Student Presentation-Renetta Mondragon
Ms. Mondragon presented a video on STEAM Initiative and shared where they are with the program at this time. She indicated that Number talks are done daily in the classrooms with students and all teachers are participating. She showed what it looks like in the classroom and how the students feel about it. Mr. Marty Hewitt from Taos UNM who supports the STEAM Initiative program was also present and shared how they have helped the schools with the program. Sofia a student at Arroyos Elementary explained how she uses Number Talks and gave examples of how she solves math problems using mental math in her class daily. Dr. Torrez thanked Ms. Mondragon for all she has done for the school.

b) Distinguished Teacher Award (Lisa McCutcheon)-Renetta Mondragon
Principal Renetta Mondragon presented Lisa McCutcheon with the distinguished teacher award. Ms. Mondragon presented the distinguished teacher award to Lisa McCutcheon. She thanked her for going above and beyond for the students, for being a mentor and for her dedication. Ms. McCutcheon thanked her colleagues for the professionalism and support throughout her years.

c) NM ADA Director of the Year Recognition (Nickie McCarty)-Dr. Torrez
Dr. Torrez recognized Ms. McCarty for receiving the NM ADA Director of the Year Recognition Award. Ms. McCarty was not present due to other games going on.

d) NMAA 3rd place Subway Director's Cup-Dr. Torrez
Dr. Torrez congratulated all students for receiving the THS sports award "NMAA 3rd

place Subway Director's Cup" for 2017-2018 for excellence in athletics and academics and all other extra curriculum activities.

e) Update of Self Defense Training taken in May-Sheriff Hogrefe

Sheriff Hogrefe updated the board on the self defense training on aggressive attacks, awareness and protection which took place in May. He reported that there was approximately 30 staff members who attended and the training went well. The training took place on a Saturday. He would like to offer the training again and would like to see if at possible if it could be held on another day other than a Saturday, in hopes that more staff would show up. He stressed the importance of this training, and is willing to have it done again for all staff and possibly for Juniors and Seniors as well.

Public Comments** *Any interested person may submit data, views, or arguments in writing to the Board on any school related topic. An individual or representative wishing to give public comment shall register prior participating in public comment. Additionally, when registering for public comment, the speaker shall be required to identify the subject matter of their proposed comment when they register. Speakers are allotted three minutes, or an amount otherwise designated by the Board President at the beginning of the meeting. The Board President in his/her sole discretion may shorten/lengthen the comment period time to ensure that the meeting is efficiently and promptly conducted. All speakers are strongly encouraged to abide by all time-limitations, to avoid personal attacks, to utilize all administrative avenues for complaint resolution before bringing issues to the board, and to avoid identifying students or staff in comments, and to present all comments professionally and respectfully. *Persons requiring special assistance or services, such as a sign language interpreter, should call (575) 758-5202 at least three days before the meeting*

Mandy Stapleford addressed the board with a concern on school maintenance noise in the morning.

G. Superintendent's Report- Dr. Lillian Torrez

a) Administrator's Reports

Principals, Alfred Cordova; Robert Trujillo; Athletic Director Nickie McCarty; Exceptional Programs Lynn Brashar; Director of Federal Programs CJ Grace, and Technology Jeff Everett provided the board with updates on each of their school sites. Reports included an update on student achievement; educator excellence; safety & wellness; leadership; learning environments; communications & public relations; athletic events and activities. Mr. Trujillo and Mr. Cordova gave an update to the board on how the Teach to One is working out at their schools. Ms. Susie Martinez gave an update on procedures and financials in the business office.

b) District Update

Superintendent Dr. Torrez thanked all administrators and teachers for working so diligently and for focusing on the classroom instruction. All teachers continue to disaggregate data, working on intervention for struggling students and continue to monitor and support students.

H. Old Business

- a) Policy Advisory No. 158...IKAB-Report Cards/Progress Reports-(**Approval**)-Dr. Torrez
- b) Policy Advisory No. 159...IKACA-Parent Conferences/IKACA-R- Parent Conferences (Literacy Proficiency Notification and Conference) (**Approval**)-Dr. Torrez
- c) Policy Advisory No. 160...IKE-Promotion and Retention of Students (**Approval**)-Dr. Torrez
- d) Policy Advisory No. 161...IKEB-Acceleration/IKEB-R-Acceleration (**Approval**)-Dr. Torrez
- e) Policy Advisory No. 162...IKF-Graduation Requirements (**Approval**)-Dr. Torrez
- f) Policy Advisory No. 163...JG-Assignment of Students to Classes and Grade Levels/JG-R-Assignment of Students to Classes and Grade Levels (**Approval**)-Dr. Torrez
- g) JHB-R (J-1661) Chronic Absences (**Review**)-Lynn Brashar

Dr. Torrez made a recommendation to approve NMBSA policies 158-163 as

presented. Secretary Goler made a motion to approve Policy Advisory No. 158-163 items H. a-f) as presented, seconded by Member Silva. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Secretary Goler-yes, Member Silva-yes. Motion carried.

I. New Business

a) Conditions of TMS Facilities – Robert Valencia

Mr. Valencia presented the board with a report on the condition of facilities. After some discussion President Sanborn requested that the report be more specific as to include district level priorities and possible estimates. Mr. Valencia did indicate that they are working on a list of needs to include safety, IT, etc. He stated that there is also a Facility Master Plan on file which will expire in December of 2020.

b) Preventive Maintenance Plan 2018-2019 Update-Robert Valencia

Mr. Valencia explained the changes to the update plan and the summary. After some discussion the board asked that he present the complete current maintenance plan in place and to include a copy of the complete new maintenance plan for 2018-2019. Item was tabled until the meeting of 10/23/2018 at which time Mr. Valencia will provide the complete Preventive Maintenance Plan showing all the updates.

c) Attendance Awareness Month School Board Proclamation-Necia Etheridge-Cris Roaque-Renea Bean

Cris Roaque presented the proclamation to the board and asked for approval for the school year 2018/2019. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the Attendance Awareness Month School Board Proclamation contingent upon changing the wording of “TAOS MUNICIPAL SCHOOL BOARD GOVERNING COUNCIL” TO “TAOS MUNICIPAL SCHOOL BOARD”, seconded by Member Silva. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Secretary Goler-yes, Member Silva-yes. Motion carried.

d) Joint Powers Agreement (New Mexico School for the blind)-Lynn Brashar

Dr. Torrez made a recommendation to approve the Joint Powers Agreement (New Mexico School for the blind) as presented. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the Joint Powers Agreement (New Mexico School for the blind (MOA), seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Secretary Goler-yes, Member Silva-yes. Motion carried.

e) Amended 2018-2019 other Salary Rates/Salary Schedule-Esther Winter

After reviewing the salary schedule the board had some questions for the HR Director. Ms. Winters was not present; therefore, it was tabled until the meeting of 10/23/2018.

J. Consent Agenda

1. Contracts/ MOU’s

a) Contracted Services Teach to One-CJ Grace

2. Minutes

a) Approval of Minutes for September 25, 2018

President Sanborn made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Contracts/MOU’s and Minutes, seconded by Member Silva. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Secretary Goler yes, Member Silva-yes. Motion carried.

K. Upcoming Meetings & Agenda Items

a) Regular Board Meeting October 23, 2018-@Taos Charter School

b) Board Retreat-November 9, 2018 @Administration Bldg 8:00am-4:00 pm

L. Adjournment

President Sanborn made a motion to adjourn at 8:38 pm, seconded by Member Silva. Motion carried.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

ATTEST: _____ DATE: _____

Approved 10/23/2018