

MINUTES

Taos Municipal School Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 23, 2018
Taos Charter School, Taos NM 87571

- A. Call to Order**-The regular meeting of the Taos Municipal Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Sanborn at 6:11pm.
- B. Roll Call**-Administrative Assistant, Linda Sanchez conducted a roll call. The following members were present: President James Sanborn; Secretary Whitney Goler, and Member Dr. David Chavez.
- Absent were: Vice President Mark Flores and Member Jason Silva.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance**-Jeremy Jones, Director of Taos Charter School led the board members and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- D. Approval of the Agenda**-President Sanborn made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call President Sanborn-yes; Secretary Goler-yes, and Member Chavez-yes. Motion carried.
- E. Student Report**-Aaron Martinez & Madeline Steinberg students at THS presented the student report. They reported that HOSA is having a fundraiser for Halloween selling candy. The money is being raised for HOSA students to attend the State Leadership in February. Officers from BPA and HOSA have a CTSO training on Monday. Taos High School will be holding a blood drive on October 31, 2018. They will also be holding both a costume contest for teachers and students, with prizes and a door decorating contest for Halloween. Girls Varsity Soccer had their last home game tonight and won. They also honored their seniors. Boys Varsity will be playing at 6pm tonight as well.
- F. Presentations**
- a) Presentation by Taos Charter-Jeremy Jones**
Mr. Jones presented the board with literature on a power point which he had shared with the TMS Administrators and Instructional Coaches at a meeting held at TMS earlier today. He explained that they shared ideas and thoughts on testing, teacher pay, standardized testing to accommodate all students, along with other issues presented.
- b) Presentation on Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy (SRCL)-CJ Grace-Ms.**
CJ Grace provided literature on the Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Grant to all board members. The purpose of the grant is to align systems to increase language and literacy achievement. Taos was one of 11 grant recipients and will receive funding for 3 years. The funding is divided across three areas; elementary,

and secondary programs.

c) Family Engagement update-CJ Grace

Ms. CJ Grace acknowledged Title I Principals and Directors and introduced the 3 Instructional Coaches to the board. She provided literature on ESSA Parent and Family Engagement and how they partner into all of our schools.

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.

- 1) Melody Martinez addressed the board with concerns on school cameras.
- 2) Leslie Baker addressed the board informing them about her going to Finland on a Fullbright Scholarship.

G. Superintendent's Report-Dr. Lillian Torrez)

a) Administrator's Reports

Reports were provided by administrators for the board with a current update at each of their schools. They provided information on Student Achievement; Educator Excellence; Communications/PR; Safety and Wellness; Student enrollment; Special events; School initiatives and programs; Transportation; Human Resources; Facilities and Nutrition.

b) District Update-Superintendent, Dr. Torrez reported on the SRCL Grant; DSS; AVID; Illuminate, and Teach to One Math program. She reported that elementary teachers have had 4 trainings in the short-cycle assessment Illuminate. All teachers and instructional coaches are working diligently in their roles to analyze data and increase student proficiency rates in reading and math. Dr. Torrez also gave an update on NMSSA 2019 policy recommendations which is a vision to transform education in New Mexico and was developed by the New Mexico School Superintendents' Association.

H. Finance Office-Susie Martinez

1. BAR's-Budget Adjustment Requests

- a) 076-000-1819-0017-IB 28203 – GRADS PLUS GRANT \$16,000
- b) 076-000-1819-0018-IB 24189 – STUDENT SUPPORT & ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM \$55,779

2. Financial Report

Superintendent Dr. Torrez recommended the approval of BAR's. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the BAR's as presented, seconded by Member Chavez. Roll call President Sanborn-yes; Secretary Goler-yes, and Member Chavez-yes. Motion carried.

I. Old Business

a) JHB-R (J-1661) Chronic Absences (Approval)-Lynn Brashar

President Sanborn made a motion to approve Policy JHB-R (J-1661) Chronic Absences as presented, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call President Sanborn-yes; Secretary Goler-yes and Member Chavez-yes. Motion carried.

b) Amended 2018-2019 Other Salary Rates (Approval)-Esther Winter

Superintendent Dr. Torrez recommended the approval of the Amended 2018-2019 Other Salary Rates as presented. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the Amended 2018-2019 other Salary Rates, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call President Sanborn-yes; Secretary Goler-yes, and Member Chavez-yes. Motion carried.

c) Preventative Maintenance Plan 2018-2019 Update (Approval)-Robert Valencia-

President Sanborn made a motion to table Item (I. c & d) until the December 11, 2018 board meeting, they would like Mr. Valencia to be present, seconded by Member Chavez. Roll call President Sanborn-yes; Secretary Goler-yes, and Member Chavez-yes. Motion carried.

d) Condition of Facilities Report 2018-2019 Update-Robert Valencia

J. New Business

1) Consideration of and Approval of a Resolution and Proclamation of Special Public School Capital Improvements Tax Election; and

2) Consideration of and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing and Directing Special Election Procedures

Dr. Torrez thereupon introduced and recommended the Board adopt a resolution entitled: RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF SPECIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION. Member David Chavez then moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Secretary Goler seconded such motion. The motion to adopt said resolution was thereupon put to a vote and was passed and adopted on the following recorded vote:

Those voting aye:

President James Sanborn

Secretary Whitney Goler

Member David Chavez

Those voting nay;

Those abstaining:

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ELECTION PROCEDURES. Member President Sanborn moved the adoption of said resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Member Secretary Goler, and upon being put to a vote was passed and adopted on the following recorded vote:

Those voting aye:

President James Sanborn

Secretary Whitney Goler

Member David Chavez

Those voting nay:

Those abstaining:

K. Consent Agenda

1. Contracts/MOU's

- a) Contracted Services Total Teaching Solutions International-CJ Grace
- b) Contracted Services Houghton Mifflin Harcourt-CJ Grace
- c) Contracted Services Farmhouse School Nutrition Program-Monica Martinez
- d) 2018-2019 Contract for GRADS MSYPS-Mission to Support Young Parents for Success-Melissa Sandoval

2. Minutes

- a) Approval of Minutes for October 9, 2018

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

L. Upcoming Meetings & Agenda Items

- a) Regular School Board Meeting-November 13, 2018 @ Taos Pueblo
- b) Board Retreat-November 9, 2018 @Administration Bldg 8:00-4:00 pm

M. Adjournment

Member Chavez made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 pm, seconded by Secretary Goler. Motion carried.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

ATTEST: _____ DATE: _____

Approved 11/13/2018