



MINUTES

Taos Municipal Schools Board of Education Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 6 PM Via Zoom-Taos, NM 87571

- A. Call to order-** The regular board meeting of the Taos Municipal Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Sanborn at 6:04 pm.
- B. Roll Call-** Linda Sanchez conducted a roll call. The following members were present: President Sanborn, Vice President Flores, Secretary Goler, Member Trujillo and Member Maestas.
- C. Approval of the Agenda-** President Sanborn made a motion to approve the agenda moving item H. a) under presentations if they are present at the time, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Vice President Flores-yes, Secretary Goler-yes, Member Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas -yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- D. Student Report-**No Student Report

E. Presentations

a) Full Re-Entry of Schools-*Dr. Lillian Torrez*

Dr. Torrez reported on the full re-entry for all schools. THS students will start in person on April 6th, K-8 students will be starting in person on April 12th. Principal Grace gave an update on how things have been going on at the THS. Dr. Torrez reported that custodians and maintenance continue doing a deep cleaning at all schools. Fire Marshal has inspected buildings. Almost all staff have been vaccinated, we are working with staff that have conditions and are on a 504. Safety protocols are in place. Communication with parents is being done through website, parent letters, Let's Talk and phone calls. The board thanked Dr. Torrez for her commitment and hard work in doing everything possible to keep our students and staff safe and working with PED on all situations. They thanked all administrators and staff for working together on this.

b) Teach-to-One Math Data Short Cycle Assessment-*Jeff Rimkus /Alfred Cordova*

Mr. Rimkus shared a power point on the Teach-to-One Math Cycle Assessment and an overview of the program. The power point included Impacts of Remote Learning; Introduction to Teach to One; Historical Impacts, and Current Impacts. He reported on the strengths and challenges of remote learning.

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 to 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.

*No public Comments

F. District Update

a) Administrator Reports

All administrators submitted a board report to the board. The board thanked them for their reports. There was some discussion on the athletic report.

b) Superintendent Report-*Dr. Lillian Torrez*

Dr. Torrez started off reporting on the legislation. She reported that the increase for every staff member is 1.5% for everyone in New Mexico. Our SEG money should go up by 5.5%. This of course is contingent on the governor approving it, the official deadline is April 15th. Our personal Taos Capital Money for security passed the house and the senate. We did receive our MOE Special Education of Maintenance effort and we did pass all of it. We received our certified Audit and will be presenting it to the board; we did do very well on it. We have not heard anything from PED yet on the American Rescue Funding, but we should be getting money. This will be used to help

every family and child in Behavioral Health assistance. We will have outdoor activities, afterschool activities and if needed we will hire additional staff. We are also looking at adding another YDI, we now have one at Enos and Arroyos and hope to get it by second semester the following school year. It is at the beginning stages at this point. We are beginning to work on staffing, budget, and grants. She thanked principals and directors for all the work they do.

c) TMS Emergency Plan 2020-2021

We will have the survey results for Pillars I through IV at our next board meeting.

G. Finance Office -Brenda Halder

1. BAR's-Budget Adjustment Requests

a) 076-000-2021-0055-I	NM Charter School Program	Increase	\$28,598.00
b) 076-000-2021-0056-IB	IEI-Indigenous Education Initiatives	Initial Budget	\$150,000.00
c) 076-000-2021-0058-IB	CRRSA-Covid Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations	Initial Budget	\$4,011,719.00
d) 076-000-2021-0059-IB	CDC Healthy Schools	Initial Budget	\$5,000.00
e) 076-000-2021-0060-M	Carl Perkins/Secondary	Maintenance	\$(+/-4,803.00)

Dr. Torrez recommended the approval of the BAR's item G. 1. a-e) at this time. Member Trujillo made a motion to approve the BAR's as recommended, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Vice President Flores-yes, Secretary Goler yes, Member Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Permanent Cash Transfer (Approval)

Dr. Torrez recommended the approval of the Permanent Cash Transfer at this time. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the Permanent Cash Transfer as recommended, seconded by Member Maestas. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Vice President Flores-yes, Secretary Goler yes, Member Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Financials-Ms. Halder shared a power point with an update on SB9 and expenditures.

H. New Business

a) Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Financial Assistance to the New Mexico Finance Authority for the Taxable General Obligation Lease Purchase Arrangement and Note, Series 2021 (**Approval**)-*John Archuleta*

Katherine McKinney presented the Resolution to the board for approval which includes all 6 charters. Dr. Torrez recommended the approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Financial Assistance to the New Mexico Finance Authority for the Taxable General Obligation Lease Purchase Arrangement and Note, Series 2021.

Member Trujillo made a motion to approve the Resolution as recommended, seconded by President Sanborn. Roll Call: President Sanborn-yes, Vice President Flores-yes, Secretary Goler yes, Member Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

b) CARRSA Funds (ESSR II)-*Melissa Sandoval/Dr. Lillian Torrez*

Melissa Sandoval presented a power point on the CARRSA Funds and how the monies will be used. This was an informational item.

c) 2021-2022/2022-2023 TMS Calendar (**Approval**)-*Lynn Brashar*

Lynn Brashar presented the calendars to the board for approval. Dr. Torrez recommended the approval of the 2021-2022/2022-2023 TMS Calendar with the revision of adding May 28, 2022 as graduation date on the calendar of SY 2021-2022 at this time. Vice President Flores made a motion to approve the calendars with the revision as recommended, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll Call: President Sanborn-yes, Vice President Flores-yes, Secretary Goler yes, Member Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

I. Old Business

a) NMSBA Policy Alert Alternate Demonstration of Competency (ADC)-(**Approval**)

Dr. Lillian Torrez

Dr. Torrez recommended the approval of the NMSBA Policy Alert Alternate Demonstration of Competency (ADC) at this time. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the NMSBA Policy Alert Alternate Demonstration of Competency as recommended, seconded by Vice President Flores. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Vice President Flores-yes, Secretary Goler yes, Member Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

J. Consent Agenda

1. Contracts/MOU's

a) Contracted Services FIT Afterschool program for Enos Garcia Elementary Community Schools-*Renetta Mondragon*

b) Contracted Services Taos Children's Theater for Enos Garcia Elementary Community Schools-*Renetta Mondragon*

c) Contracted Services AIRE Activity Classes for Enos Garcia Elementary Community Schools-*Renetta Mondragon*

2. Minutes

a) Approval of Minutes for February 24, 2021-Regular Board Meeting

President Sanborn made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, items J. 1. & 2, seconded by Secretary Goler. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes, Vice President Flores-yes, Secretary Goler yes, Member Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

K. Upcoming meetings & Agenda Items

a) Regular Board Meeting April 21, 2021- @6:00 pm

Future Topics:

1. Lobbyist update on the Legislative session- Stephen Archuleta
2. Grant Management positions current and options
3. Emergency Plan Update/Strategic Plan Update
4. Administrative options moving students to the next grade.

L. Adjournment-President Sanborn made a motion to adjourn at 9:31 pm, seconded by Secretary Goler. Motion carried 5-0.

Signature:  Date: 4/22/21

Attest:  Date: 4-23-2021

Approved 4.21.2021

