



## MINUTES

### **Taos Municipal Schools Board of Education Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at 6 PM -310 Camino De La Placita 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 Flores at 6:07 pm.

**B. Roll Call-** The following board members were present: President Flores, Vice President Goler, Secretary Trujillo, and Member Spray.  
Member Maestas arrived at 6:13 pm.

**C. Pledge of Allegiance-** President Flores led the pledge of allegiance.

**D. Land Acknowledgement Statement:** *It is respectful to recognize the unique and enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous People and their traditional territories. We acknowledge that we are on the historic homeland of the Red Willow People within the original territory of Taos Pueblo. This acknowledgement will oblige as a reminder of our ongoing efforts to respectfully recognize, honor, reconcile and partner with the Red Willow People whose land and water we benefit from in this great valley today.*

**E. Approval of the Meeting Agenda-** President Flores made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as amended moving item J.a) Out of District Travel for TMS Aviation Students to National Flight Academy (NFA) Pensacola, Fl on Oct 14-16, 2022 (Approval)-*Jackie Graham*, and J. b) Permission for the Taos High School Football Team to use Questa High School Football Field as the home site for our scheduled Taos High School Football Team home games (Approval)-*Hernando Chavez*, to be the first items under presentations, seconded by Vice President Goler. Roll call: President Flores-yes, Vice President Goler-yes, Secretary Trujillo-yes, and Member Spray-yes. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **F. Presentations**

a) Out of District Travel for TMS Aviation Students to National Flight Academy (NFA) Pensacola, Fl on Oct 14-16, 2022 (Approval)-*Jackie Graham*

President Flores made a motion to approve the Out of District Travel for TMS Aviation Students to National Flight Academy (NFA) Pensacola, Fl on Oct 14-16, 2022, as presented, seconded by Member Spray. Roll call: President Flores-yes, Vice President Goler-yes, Secretary Trujillo-yes, Member Spray-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

b) Permission for the Taos High School Football Team to use Questa High School Football Field as the home site for our scheduled Taos High School Football Team home games (Approval)-*Hernando Chavez*

President Flores made a motion to approve the Permission for the Taos High School Football Team to use Questa High School Football Field as the home site for our scheduled Taos High School Football Team home games as presented by Hernando Chavez, seconded by Secretary Trujillo. Roll call: President Flores-yes, Vice President Goler-yes, Secretary Trujillo-yes, Member Spray-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

c) Facilities Master Plan (FMP)-*Doug Patterson/Robert Valencia*

Mr. Patterson presented an update on the Facilities Master Plan to the board with the updates highlights, and changes. The final plan will be submitted for approval with all the updates on

the board meeting of 9/7/2022.

d) **Capital Outlay Projects Update-***Brenda Halder/Robert Valencia*

Brenda Halder, Finance Director presented a power point on the Capital Outlay projects and appropriations of funding that have been received. After a discussion of capital outlay monies being brought into our schools it was suggested to continue with a lobbyist.

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\*\*

**G. District Update**

a) **Superintendent Report-***Dr. Lillian Torrez*

Dr. Torrez reported that we are off to a great start with staff being excited for another new school year. At our next meeting Lynn Brashar will have a Covid update presentation on the new toolkit that we received. We are still working on our rejuvenation rooms, we have the THS, and Enos Elementary School done. Ranchos is almost done; we still need Arroyos Elementary School and Central Office. At the next meeting we will start with the administrator reports, half of them will report at the first meeting and the second half will report at the second meeting and we will also be posting them on the website. Enrollment has increased at Arroyos Elementary from 80 students to 116, Taos Middle school has gone up by 28 students in the last two weeks as well. Meetings will start to be hosted at different school sites starting in September and will also continue to be held by zoom. Dr. Torrez stated that she will discuss this with the leadership team to see if they are still ok with hosting the meetings at their school sites. All staff evaluations were completed. President Flores presented Dr. Torrez with a thank you gift for her years of service at this time and thanked her on behalf of the board for her exceptional leadership to the district. The board all thanked her for her years of service. Dr. Torrez thanked each one of them for their continued support and for always working with her.

**H. Finance Office -***Brenda Halder*

1. Financials

Ms. Halder presented the financials to the board.

**I. Old Business**

a) **Facilities Master Plan (Approval)-***Robert Valencia/Valerie Trujillo*

President Flores made a motion to table the approval of the Facilities Master Plan until the next board meeting of September 7, 2022, seconded by Member Spray. Roll call: President Flores-yes, Vice President Goler-yes, Secretary Trujillo-yes, Member Spray-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**J. New Business**

a) Out of District Travel for TMS Aviation Students to National Flight Academy (NFA) Pensacola, Fl on Oct 14-16, 2022 (Approval)-*Jackie Graham*  
Approved under Presentations.

b) Permission for the Taos High School Football Team to use Questa High School Football Field as the home site for our scheduled Taos High School Football Team home games (Approval)-*Hernando Chavez*  
Approved under Presentations.

c) (EGRT) County Education Gross Receipts Tax Improvement List (Approval)-*Dr. Lillian Torrez/Valerie Trujillo*

Member Maestas made a motion to approve the (EGRT) County Education Gross Receipts Tax Improvement List with the amendment that we split item #3 to \$75,000 for the recharge room and the remaining \$45,698.40 to our school safety, seconded by President Flores. Roll call: President Flores-yes, Vice President Goler-yes, Secretary Trujillo-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 4-0. Member Spray-Abstained from voting.

## **K. Consent Agenda**

### **1. Contracts/MOU's**

- a) Contracted Services between TMS and Aedin Miller EduCafe Manager (August 25-June 9, 2023)-*CJ Grace*
- b) Contracted Services between TMS and Patricia Tolomo (Sept 2022-May 2023)-*Renetta Mondragon*
- c) Contracted Services between TMS and Embudo Valley Tutoring Association (Sept 2022-May 2023)-*Renetta Mondragon*
- d) Contracted Services between TMS and Clara Clark (Sept 2022-May 2023)-*Renetta Mondragon*
- e) Contracted Services Between TMS and Community Against Violence (CAV) 2022-2023FY-*Valerie Trujillo*
- f) Contracted Services Between TMS and Audrey Davis 2022-2023FY (Mariachi Program)-*Linda Quintana*
- g) Contracted Services Between TMS and Nick Branchal 2022-2023FY (Mariachi Program)-*Linda Quintana*
- h) Requisition Listing-*Renetta Mondragon*
- i) Requisition Listing-*Robert Valencia*

### **2. Minutes**

- a) Approval of Minutes for August 10, 2022, Regular Board Meeting

President Flores made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda item K. 1. a-i) and item K. 2. a) Minutes, seconded by Member Spray. Roll call: President Flores-yes, Vice President Goler-yes, Secretary Trujillo-yes, Member Spray-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

## **L. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (H) (2) NMSA 1978 limited personnel matters**

- a) Personnel Matters

President Flores made a motion to go into Executive Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (H) (2) NMSA 1978 limited personnel matters to discuss Personnel Matters at 8:41pm, seconded by Member Spray.

Roll call: President Flores-yes, Vice President Goler-yes, Secretary Trujillo-yes, Member Spray-yes, and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

The board came out of the executive session at 9:20 pm and resumed to the regular scheduled board meeting. The board discussed limited personnel matters and no actions were taken.

## **M. Upcoming Meetings & Agenda Items**

### **Future Topics**

- a) Regular Board Meeting September 7, 2022, 6:00 pm
- b) Resolution Teacher Housing-Member Pascual Maestas

- c) Public Meetings with parents, students, and community
- d) Board Training

**N. Adjournment-** President Flores made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 pm. seconded by Member Spray. Motion carried 5-0.

Signature: Mark T. Flores

Date: 9-7-22

Attest: [Signature]  
Approved 9.7.2022

Date: 9/7/2022