



MINUTES

Taos Municipal Schools Board of Education Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 6 PM -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 6:02 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 J. a) Executive Session to follow item D) Student Report and moving item H. a) School Security for THS and item I. 1. a) Contracted Services Allied (THS Security Services) to follow immediately after E. c) presentations, 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.
- D. Student Report-Natalia Flores & Isaiah Jeantete**
Natalie Flores a senior high student reported that students are greatly enjoying being back to school and are following all rules for mask wearing and temperature checks. The leadership class is focusing and planning the following activities:
- Homecoming activities & the game against Bernalillo High School
 - Drunk driving and violence awareness presentation
 - Blood drive
 - Teacher/Staff Appreciation

Moved from J. a) Executive Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 H (7) NMSA 1978

a) Pending or threatened litigation

President Sanborn noted that the board would be going into Executive Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 H (7) NMSA 1978 at this time to discuss Pending or threatened litigation and would resume back to the regular scheduled board meeting at 6:45pm. The board went into executive session at 6:17 pm. President Sanborn made a motion to exit executive session and resume the public meeting back at 7:03 pm, 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. Vice President Flores resumed the regular scheduled meeting at 7:07 pm.

E. Presentations

a) COVID Update-*Dr. Lillian Torrez/Lynn Brashar*

Dr. Torrez gave an update to the board on the number of cases of Covid among students and staff. Lynn Brashar gave the board an update on surveillance testing, regulations received on the new tool kit from PED. She explained the process of testing students and how they will monitor students who have not been vaccinated. She reported that we are now 95% vaccinated with staff.

b) Taos High School Homecoming Parade/Dance (Approval)-*C.J Grace*

CJ Grace reported on the events that would be taking place for the homecoming parade and dance. Dr. Torrez recommended approval of the Taos High School Homecoming Parade/Dance at this time. Vice President Flores made a motion to approve the Taos High School Homecoming Parade/Dance 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.

c) Food Service Presentation-*Monica Martinez/Brenda Halder*

Ms. Halder and Ms. Martinez presented a power point on the student nutrition financial status and the nutrition program in its entirety. The board thanked them for their hard work in providing this information.

Moved from New Business-

H. a) School Security for THS-CJ Grace/Shannon Briner

Shannon Briner gave an overall report on the School Security for THS and how they would support us with security officers.

Moved from Consent Agenda-

I. 1. a) Contracted Services Allied (THS Security Services)-CJ Grace

Dr. Torrez recommended approval of the Contracted Services Allied (THS Security Services) at this time. Vice President Flores made a motion to approve the Contracted Services Allied (THS Security Services) as recommended, seconded by Member Trujillo. Roll call: President Sanborn-yes; Vice President Flores-yes; Secretary Goler-yes; Member Trujillo-yes and Member Maestas-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

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.

- 1) Marie Neubert-commended the administrators and staff
- 2) Raquel Mooring-addressed the board in reference to the Tobacco policy

F. District Update

a) Administrator Reports

Administrator reports were provided to the board. The board thanked all administrators for their hard work and for providing these reports.

b) Superintendent Report

Dr. Torrez reported that we are doing well with covid cases in the schools. We are focusing on social emotional learning in all classrooms. We will be having professional development on Part II of Social Emotional Learning for staff on November 1st. The new education act was submitted to PED. Taos Tiger Connect K-12 Online Academy is going very well, and all students have received a laptop and curriculum. We continue diligently working on security and monitoring students for safety Covid practices. Students and staff are doing well with mask wearing, and all teachers/staff are doing a great job with the safety measures of their students.

G. Finance Office -Brenda Halder

1. BAR's-Budget Adjustment Requests

a) 076-000-2122-0012-I	Ed. Technology Equipment	Increase	\$18,697
b) 076-000-2122-0013-M	Education of Homeless	Maintenance	(+/-)\$5,000
c) 076-000-2122-0014-T	ESSER II	Transfer	\$497,873

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

H. New Business

a) School Security for THS-CJ Grace/Shannon Briner

This item was presented under E. c) presentations.

b) Taos Tiger Connect On-Line Academy MOU (Approval)-Dr. Mae Labella

Dr. Torrez recommended approval of the Taos Tiger Connect On-Line Academy MOU at this time. Vice President Flores made a motion to approve the Taos Tiger Connect On-Line Academy MOU 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. Consent Agenda

1. Contracts/MOU's

a) Contracted Services Allied (THS Security Services)-CJ Grace

Approved under item E. c).

- b) Contracted Services AIRE (Community Schools)-*Renetta Mondragon*
- c) Contracted Services Embudo Valley Tutoring Association (Tutoring Services)-*Renetta Mondragon*
- d) Contracted Services Rodrigo Ramos-Martinez (Soccer Coaching Services)-*Renetta Mondragon*
- e) Conservation Education MOU-*David Gilroy*

2. Minutes

- a) Approval of Minutes for August 25, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Dr. Torrez recommended approval of the Consent Agenda items I. 1. b-e) at this time. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items I. 1. b-e) and I. 2. a) minutes 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.

J. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 H (7) NMSA 1978

- a) Pending or threatened litigation
This was addressed under item D) Student Report.

K. Upcoming meetings & Agenda Items

1) Future Topics

- a) NMSBA Fall Region II Meeting September 9, 2021 (Virtual)
- b) Regular Board Meeting September 22, 2021- 6:00 pm
- c) After School Tutoring Program TBH/INSPIRE
- d) Strategic Planning

L. Adjournment-Vice President Flores made a motion to adjourn at 9:15 pm, seconded by Member Maestas. Motion carried 5-0.

Signature:  Date: 9/22/21
Attest:  Date: 9/22/2021
Approved 9.22.2021

