



MINUTES

Taos Municipal Schools Board of Education Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, August 25, 2021, 6 PM -Taos, NM 87571-Via Zoom

- 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 Via Zoom Webinar: President Sanborn, Vice President Flores, Secretary Goler, Member Maestas and Member Trujillo.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance-** Vice President Flores made a motion to skip the pledge, seconded by President Sanborn. Motion carried 5-0.
- D. Approval of the Agenda-** President Sanborn made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, 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.

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****

E. District Update

a) Superintendent Report

Superintendent Dr. Torrez gave an update on the covid status within our district. She reported on the vaccination status and percentages of students and staff who are vaccinated district wide and stated that these percentages change daily. She also reported that all unvaccinated staff will be tested on a weekly basis according to PED guidelines and staff have been notified. Students who are unvaccinated will have random surveillance testing. She reported on the number of positive cases we have had among students and staff district wide as of today. Lynn Brashar reported on the different potential sites that we will be using for testing and the different tests that will be used. Interim Athletic Director Hernando Chavez gave an update on the requirements for athletes and stated that they are following the athletic and NMAA guidelines for masking.

Dr. Torrez also stated that we need a board member to serve on the Facility Masters Plan Committee, Audit Committee and Budget. After some discussion the board decided that the following members will serve on these committees.

- Facility Masters Plan Committee-Vice President Flores
- Audit Committee-President Sanborn & Secretary Goler
- Budget-Member Trujillo

She also reminded the board that the workshop with Andrew Sanchez will take place on September 1, 2021 @ 6:00 pm via zoom.

F. Finance Office -Brenda Halder

1. BAR's-Budget Adjustment Requests

a) 076-000-2122-0011-M Operational Maintenance (+/-) \$28,077

Dr. Torrez recommended approval of the BAR item F. 1. a) at this time. Vice President Flores made a motion to approve the BAR 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. Financials-The board had a discussion on the food service program.

G. New Business

a) MOA between Nonviolence Works, Inc. and Taos Municipal Schools District (Approval)-
Dr. Lillian Torrez

Dr. Torrez recommended approval of the MOA between Nonviolence Works, Inc. and Taos Municipal Schools District at this time. President Sanborn made a motion to approve the MOA between Nonviolence Works, Inc. and Taos Municipal Schools District 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.

b) Blue Ribbon Event (Approval)-*CJ Grace*

Dr. Torrez recommended approval of the Blue-Ribbon Event at this time. Vice President Flores made a motion to approve the Blue-Ribbon Event 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.

H. Consent Agenda

1. Contracts/MOU's

- a) 2021-2022 Contract between NM GRADS System and Taos Schools (Child Care)-*CJ Grace*
- b) 2021-2022 Contract between NM GRADS System and Taos Schools (Instructional)-*CJ Grace*
- c) Contracted Services Patricia Tolmo (Community Schools & Nurturing Center) -*Renetta Mondragon*
- d) Contracted Services Instructure Inc. (Professional development)-*Valerie Trujillo*
- e) Contracted Services Edgenuity Inc. (Taos Tiger connect online Academy)-*Valerie Trujillo*
- f) Contracted Services ISTATON (Premium virtual learning services v2)-*Valerie Trujillo*
- g) Contracted Services Agnes Chavez Stemarts Lab (Virtual Stemarts Lab PD training)-*Valerie Trujillo*
- h) Contracted Services Audrey Davis (TMS Mariachi program)-*Linda Quintana*
- i) Contracted Services Nick Branchal (TMS Mariachi program)-*Linda Quintana*

2. Minutes

a) Approval of Minutes for August 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Vice President Flores made a motion to approve the consent agenda items H. 1. a-i) and item 2. a) minutes as presented, 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. Upcoming meetings & Agenda Items

- a) Regular Board Meeting September 8, 2021- 6:00 pm
- b) NMSBA Fall Region II Meeting September 9, 2021-Pecos (Virtual)

Future Topics

- 1) After school Tutoring Program TBH/INSPIRE
- 2) COVID Update Presentation
- 3) Food Service Financial Update

The board had a discussion on where to hold future board meetings. The consensus of the board was to have the members of the board meet in person at the administration building, if needed for other reasons they will zoom. Other presenters, public and staff will join in by zoom.

J. Adjournment-President Sanborn made a motion to adjourn at 8:12 pm, seconded by Vice President Flores. Motion carried 5-0.

Signature:  Date: 9/13/21

Attest:  Date: 9-13-2021

Approved 9.8.2021