

CENTRAL CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT # 22

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SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Shiprock Board Room, Shiprock, NM

December 21, 2011 at 7:00 pm

MINUTES

School Board Members

Matthew Tso, President
Lupita White, Secretary (*absent*)
Hoskie Benally, Jr., Member
Chad Wood, Member
Randy Manning, Member (*absent*)

Administrators

Don Levinski, Interim Superintendent
Pandora Mike, Dir. of Curr., Inst. & Staff Development
Abena McNeely, Dir. of Admin. & Student Success
Olivia Kien, Director of Academic Support

I. Call Meeting to Order and Verify Quorum Present through a Roll Call

A. Board President, Matthew Tso called the meeting to order and verified that a quorum was present through a roll call at 7:03 p.m.

II. Convene in Executive Session: [Section 10-15-1(H)(2), NMSA 1978] Response to Secretary-Designate Hanna Skandera's Letter; Inspection of Public Records Act Request; Civil Rights Complaint

Motion by Hoskie Benally, Jr., second by Chad Wood to convene in Executive Session: [Section 10-15-1(H)(2), NMSA 1978] Response to Secretary-Designate Hanna Skandera's Letter; Inspection of Public Records Act Request; Civil Rights Complaint. A roll call vote was taken: Randy Manning – (*absent*); Chad Wood voted yes; Lupita White – (*absent*); Hoskie Benally, Jr. voted yes; Matthew Tso voted yes. *Motion carried, 3-0.*

III. Reconvene in Open Session

Motion by Hoskie Benally, Jr., second by Chad Wood to reconvene in Open Session. Hoskie Benally, Jr. stated that the Board has discussed in the executive session only the subject identified in the agenda as the reason for which the meeting was closed: [Section 10-15-1(H)(2), NMSA 1978] Response to Secretary-Designate Hanna Skandera's Letter; Inspection of Public Records Act Request; Civil Rights Complaint. A roll call vote was taken: Randy Manning – (*absent*); Chad Wood voted yes; Lupita White – (*absent*); Hoskie Benally, Jr. voted yes; Matthew Tso voted yes. *Motion carried 3-0.*

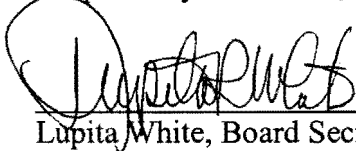
IV. Discussion / Action Items

- A. Motion by Hoskie Benally, Jr., second by Chad Wood to approve a Response from Central Consolidated School District Board of Education in support of Acting Superintendent Don Levinski. *Discussion: Chad Wood commented that a letter was created reflect what the Board feels and what needs to be addressed. Dr. Wood also read the modified letter. Mr. Tso will submit the letter. Motion carried 3-0.*
- B. Motion by Hoskie Benally, Jr., second by Chad Wood to approve President Matthew Tso to send Inspection of Public Records Act requests to Secretary-Designate Hanna Skandera and Governor Susana Martinez for all the records, meetings, letters, emails, minutes both written and electronic, as well as evidence and facts used to write her November 8, 2011 letter of concern to Acting Superintendent Don Levinski. *Discussion: Matthew Tso strongly feels Inspection of Public Records how Secretary-Designate Hanna Skandera arrived at this decision and facts. Motion carried, 3-0.*
- C. Motion by Chad Wood, second by Hoskie Benally, Jr. to approve authorization for President Matthew Tso to file complaints with the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, and U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights concerning the actions of those individuals and organization trying to overturn and takeover a duly-elected School Board and School District that has a large Native American majority. *Discussion: Dr. Wood motion to discussed and move to defer this item, reserve the right to consider in the future if Secretary Hanna Skandera takes any formal action on the District or the Superintendent, I think the components with that needs to be look at some point. Matthew Tso commented the Chapters and community including the Northern Navajo Council Agency has issued forth a resolution and take this physical action, possibility that the district might be split, so this action needs to be taken. No vote taken..*
- D. *Motion by Chad Wood, second Hoskie Benally, Jr. to defer the action item C upon any condition that this item can be addressed and brought up if there's any action taken against CCSD. Motion carried, 3-0.*

V. Adjourn

Motion by Hoskie Benally, Jr., second by Chad Wood to adjourn the Special School Board meeting at 8:56 p.m. *Motion carried, 3-0.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Lupita White, Board Secretary