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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Randy J Manning Board Room, Kirtland, NM
(Tuesday, March 18, 2025)
Minutes

Members present

Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

Meeting called to order at 5:38 PM

1. ROUTINE MATTERS:

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

Marion L Wells called the meeting to order and verified quorum through a roll call at 5:38 pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Marion L Wells lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Prayer

Jerrod Noble lead the Prayer.

D. Agenda Review

Combined the Unique Trip Requests for KCHS & NHS FFA.

Move letter E - 2023-2024 Annual Financial Audit Report by Byron Manning.

E. Approve Agenda and/or Modifications

Motion to Approve the amended Agenda

Motion by Christina J Aspaas, second by Gary J Montoya.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

2. STUDENT, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY RECOGNITION:

A. Recognitions for Bilingual Seal, English Expo, Science Fair, Spelling Bee Winners by Jerrod Noble

Jerrod Noble recognized the two students Kayden Yazzie of KCHS and Isaac Merritt of SHS who passed the bilingual seal, English Expo; Science Fair; Spelling Bee Winners.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

A. Comments

Valeria Robertson commented on the KCHS Wrestling Team incident.

4. BOARD & SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

A. Board Member Report

Christina J Aspaas commented on social media on movement with murder and missing of Emily Pike. As a district and community we are far ahead, to have some type of alert system. Gary Mike tried to get funding for the Ashlynn Mike Amber Alert.

Suzette J Haskie-Oberly commented that she was in Washington DC to meet with representatives from the appropriations committee, Senate and Congress and concern with the Impact Aid, JOM and other federal funding. To advocate for funding this should come from the parent and students. The congressional members don't know how the funds are spent, they know it's allocated to our communities to our school district, but don't know the actual impact of the funding.

Gary J Montoya commented that he and his wife and spending Spring Break with some students at Sea World and camp. The students go behind the scenes of learning about marine biology, some of these students never been out of New Mexico, never seen the ocean and getting the opportunity.

B. Superintendent Report

Steve Carlson thanked teachers with the district, thank the SAO staff. Also, this is a time for the Board of Education has met with us to do some really important and sometimes difficult work, so we had a Board Retreat recently and have another one coming up, thanks to the Board for really putting in the effort to make this District a great place for kids and staff who work here.

Legislative Session is coming to a close this week, HB63 is being heard again today with factor of increasing our funding; ELL Factor, Tribal Education Trust fund SB234 is not going to make it; Tribal regalia for graduation will be signed by the governor and become a law; HB2 funds the government, money for out of school time funding, OSTs money is for after school and summer school programs and those funding are needed for the programs.

5. REPORTS:

A. Unique Trip Request - KCHS FFA - NM FFA CDE State Career Development Events - NMSU Campus, Las Cruces, NM on March 31 - April 5, 2025 by Zane Webster
Zane Webster and Shellie Eaton presented the KCHS & NHS FFA to travel to Las Cruces for the NM FFA CDE State Career Development Events on March 31-April 5, 2025.

B. Unique Trip Request - NHS Educators Rising - National Competition - Orlando, FL - June 25-29, 2025 by Randy Curley
Randy Curley Jr presented the NHS Educators Rising for the National Competition in Orlando, FL on June 25-29, 2025.

C. Unique Trip Request - NHS FFA - State FFA CDE Career Development Events - Las Cruces, NM - March 31, 2025 thru April 5, 2025 by Shellie Eaton
Shellie Eaton presented the NHS Educators Rising for the National Competition in Orlando, FL on June 25-29, 2025.

D. 2023-2024 Annual Financial Audit Report by Byron Manning
Byron Manning presented the 2023-2024 Annual Financial Audit Report.

E. RFP 2025-TECH-14 E-Rate CCSD WAN & IA Transitional by Leandro Venturina
Leandro Venturina presented the RFP 2025-TECH-14 E-Rate CCSD WAN & IA Transitional. The Bid awarded to Sacred Winds/Commnet Broadband.

F. Utilities Comparison Report by Dominic Sategna
Dominic Sategna presented the Utilities Comparison Report.

G. Procurement Over \$3,500-\$10K by Dominic Sategna
Dominic Sategna presented the Procurement Over \$3,500-\$10K.

H. Accounts Payable Disbursements by Dominic Sategna: Board Report Summary, Distribution Listings, Outstanding Check Listings, Expenditure and Revenue Report, JOM Listing, and Invoice Journal Detail Report
Dominic Sategna presented the Summary Report for Accounts Payable Disbursements.

6. REVIEW CONSENT ITEMS (SEE BELOW) AND ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL:

A. Possible Item Removed from Consent Agenda
No items moved from consent agenda

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of the Consent Agenda
Resolution: Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda
Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda
Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0
Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

B. Approve Minutes for February 18, 2025 Work Session/Regular School Board and February 28, 2025 Board Retreat
Resolution: Motion to approve the Minutes
Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0
Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

C. Unique Trip Request - BWTC SkillsUSA - SKILLSUSA NM Championships - Albuquerque, NM - March 26-29, 2025
Resolution: Motion to approve the Unique Trip Request - BWTC SkillsUSA - SKILLSUSA NM Championships - Albuquerque, NM - March 26-29, 2025
Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0
Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

D. Unique Trip Request - KCHS JROTC - JROTC Leadership Camp - Bellemont, AZ - April 24-27, 2025
Resolution: Motion to approve the Unique Trip Request - KCHS JROTC - JROTC Leadership Camp - Bellemont, AZ - April 24-27, 2025
Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0
Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

E. Unique Trip Request - Secondary Schools Gifted, Talented, Creative Ed Program - Purdue GER2I Gifted Residential Camp Purdue University - West Lafayette, Indiana - July 12-26, 2025
Resolution: Motion to approve the Unique Trip Request - Secondary Schools Gifted, Talented, Creative Ed Program - Purdue GER2I Gifted Residential Camp Purdue University - West Lafayette, Indiana - July 12-26, 2025
Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0
Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

F. Unique Trip Request - KCHS FFA - NM FFA CDE State Career Development Events - NMSU Campus, Las Cruces, NM on March 31-April 5, 2025

Resolution: Motion to approve the Unique Trip Request - KCHS FFA - NM FFA CDE State Career Development Events - NMSU Campus, Las Cruces, NM on March 31-April 5, 2025

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

G. Unique Trip Request - NHS FFA - State FFA CDE Career Development Events - Las Cruces, NM - March 31, 2025 thru April 5, 2025

Resolution: Motion to approve the Unique Trip Request - NHS FFA - State FFA CDE Career Development Events - Las Cruces, NM - March 31, 2025 thru April 5, 2025

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

H. Unique Trip Request - NHS Educators Rising - National Competition - Orlando, FL - June 25-29, 2025

Resolution: Motion to approve the Unique Trip Request - NHS Educators Rising - National Competition - Orlando, FL - June 25-29, 2025

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

I. Navajo Nation Johnson O'Malley Application SY 2025-2026

Resolution: Motion to approve the Navajo Nation Johnson O'Malley Application SY 2025-2026

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

J. Bilingual Multicultural Education Program (BMEP) Grant

Resolution: Motion to approve the Bilingual Multicultural Education Program (BMEP) Grant

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

K. CCSD Part-Time Employee Resolution 2025-2026 School Year

Resolution: Motion to approve the CCSD Part-Time Employee Resolution 2025-2026 School Year

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

L. Science Textbook Adoption: Elementary K-6 - TWIG Learning, Middle School 7-8 - McGRAW HILL, High School 9-12 - SAVVAS Learning

Resolution: Motion to approve the Science Textbook Adoption: Elementary K-6 - TWIG Learning, Middle School 7-8 - McGRAW HILL, High School 9-12 - SAVVAS Learning

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

M. RFP 2025-TECH-14 E-Rate CCSD WAN & IA Transitional

Resolution: Motion to approve the RFP 2025-TECH-14 E-Rate CCSD WAN & IA Transitional

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

N. 2023-2024 Annual Financial Audit

Resolution: Motion to approve the 2023-2024 Annual Financial Audit

Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. Convene in Executive Session: Discussion on Personnel Matters regarding the Board's Goals and Expectations of the Superintendent as permitted under NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act; Discussion pertaining to Threatened or Pending Litigation regarding the San Juan Generating Station, PRC, and Zuni Lawsuit as permitted under NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act

Motion to Convene in Executive Session at 8:42 pm.

Motion by Marion L Wells, second by Matthew Tso.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0

Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

B. Reconvene in Open Session stating 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: Discussion on Personnel Matters regarding the Board's Goals and Expectations of the Superintendent as permitted under NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act; Discussion pertaining to Threatened or Pending Litigation regarding the San Juan Generating Station, PRC, and Zuni Lawsuit as permitted under NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act
Motion to Reconvene in Open Session at 11:49 pm
Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0
Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

C. Possible Action Item on Matters Discussed in Executive Session
Resolution: Motion to participate in the stipulation supporting a replacement power project in CCSD School District in case 24-00271-UT
Motion by Marion L Wells, second by Matthew Tso.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 4-1
Yes: Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso
No: Christina J Aspaas

9. REQUESTED ACTION ITEMS AND/OR REPORTS FOR NEXT MEETING:

A. Possible Items for Next Meeting

- Special School Board Meeting on March 25, 2025 at 5:30 pm, Randy J Manning Board Room, Kirtland, NM to discuss Budget analysis and debt financial issues.
- Update on House Bills
- Lobbyist roles on Balzano and Domenica
- Discussion at the next board meeting on Safety plans, plans for handicap accessibility for graduation, numbers of graduates and non-graduate

10. PLUS/DELTA:

A. Plus and Delta from Board Members
PLUS: Appreciate the recognition on the bilingual seals, FFA Zane Webster, and information from the Financial Director
PLUS: Information detail
PLUS: Appreciate everyone who are still here to the end of the meeting
DELTA: Meeting almost to the next day
DELTA: Board President missed the recognition

11. ADJOURNMENT:

A. Adjourn Regular School Board Meeting
Motion to Adjourn the Regular School Board Meeting at 11:58 pm.
Motion by Matthew Tso, second by Marion L Wells.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried, 5-0
Yes: Christina J Aspaas, Suzette J Haskie-Oberly, Marion L Wells, Gary J Montoya, Matthew Tso

Respectfully Submitted,


Matthew Tso, School Board Secretary