

LAS VEGAS CITY SCHOOLS
"BOARD OF EDUCATION"
Special Board Meeting

April 30, 2020

A Special Board Meeting of the Las Vegas City Schools Board of Education was held at the Administrative Building via Zoom Meeting located at 901 Douglas Avenue, in Las Vegas, New Mexico at 5:15 p.m. on the 30th day of April 2020.

A quorum was present; the meeting was called to order by Board President Duran. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were as follows:

ROLL CALL: Board President Duran called for roll call:

Board Member Lucero – Present
Board Member Armijo – Present
Board Secretary Romero – Present
Board Vice President Lujan – Present
Board President Duran – Present

RECORDER: Marsha G. Archuleta

ALSO PRESENT: L. Larryssa Archuleta, Superintendent

Mari Hillis

John Tiernan

Juan Carlos Fulgenzi

Andrew Ehling

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Board President Duran asked to review the agenda and make any adjustments that may be required.

***Motion by Board Vice President Lujan to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Board Secretary Romero. Motion passed unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion/Action: STS Chromebook Plan – John Tiernan, Director of Information Technology, presented a proposal for devices for the 1:1 initiative. Previously the discussion was that the project would be implemented over a 3 year period. Due to the COVID-19 crisis, remote learning was a priority faced by school districts thus speeding up the implementation time frame. Devices include a tablet style Chromebook for elementary students (K-3) and laptop style Chromebooks for students in grades 4-12. Teachers will utilize a laptop style Chromebook to manage their classroom and student devices and charging carts for classrooms for elementary schools. Devices will include the district mandated content filter to monitor usage. Software will also monitor student communication, inventory, and lost or stolen devices. A five year lease agreement totals \$733,948 for approximately 1,650 devices, equipment and services; annual payment amount totals \$156,326.02. This agreement would give the district an amount for budgeting purposes, includes damage or loss protection. Board Vice President Lujan inquired if the district budget could afford the purchase. Mari Hillis, Director of Finance, indicated she and Superintendent Archuleta reviewed the budget and the purchase is affordable. Mr. Tiernan clarified that students would all have a device in the event of another closure but the devices do not include internet service. Superintendent Archuleta stated current curriculum used in the classroom as hard copies would be installed on the devices so that students would have access at home. She is also collaborating with NEREC and Los Alamos National Laboratory for resources that would benefit all students. Superintendent Archuleta recommended approval of the STS Chromebook Plan.

***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to approve the STS Chromebook Plan. Motion seconded by Board Vice President Lujan. Motion passed unanimously.**


- B. Discussion/Action: New Mexico Highlands University/Memorial Middle School Field Proposal – Juan Carlos Fulgenzi, Director of Co-curricular Activities, and Andrew Ehling, New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU) Athletic Director, reviewed a draft memorandum of understanding for the use of the track and field/football area at Memorial Middle School for the NMHU Soccer Team. The proposal outlined the roles and responsibilities from both parties. Mr. Ehling stated that the core of the agreement would be the upgrading and maintaining of the facility as well as sharing the facility. Discussion consisted of a mutually agreed upon changes, middle school football would practice at Robertson High School, NMHU soccer would practice in the mornings, RHS soccer would practice in the afternoons. In the event of scheduling conflicts, Sanchez Stadium would be available for practice in the afternoon. The agreement would be in place for a period of 10 years with the option to extend the MOU upon agreement from both parties. Mr. Ehling stated that NMHU would be responsible for all necessary capital improvement costs, upgrades, security and annual maintenance to meet NCAA and NMAA standards. NMHU would pay for all utilities in support of the field, and an area for officials would have to be specified for locker rooms and restrooms. Mr. Ehling stated the tentative MOU would still have to be reviewed by NMHU legal counsel. Board Member Lucero asked if the district’s water rights would be leased to NMHU for watering the fields or if NMHU would use their water rights for the maintenance of the field. Superintendent Archuleta stated the district would use some of our water rights; NMHU would also install a water meter to monitor water usage for maintain the fields. Board Member Lucero asked for clarification of the water rights that will be used for maintaining the fields. Mr. Ehling stated that NMHU would use NMHU water rights for maintaining the fields as needed. ***Motion by Board Member Lucero to accept the draft MOU contingent on the formal review by legal counsel from NMHU and LVCS and clarification on water rights. Motion seconded by Board Vice President Lujan. Motion passed unanimously.**
- C. Discussion/Action: 2020-2021 Budget – Mari Hillis reviewed the 2020-2021 budget that included the mandatory 4% pay increase for staff, a minimum hourly rate of \$11.00 per hour, and increases in health and medical premiums. Superintendent Archuleta recommended approval of the 2020-2021 budget. ***Motion by Board Vice President Lujan to approve the 2020-2021 budget. Motion seconded by Board Secretary Romero. Motion passed unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT:

***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to adjourn. Motion seconded by Board Vice President Lujan. Motion passed unanimously to adjourn at 6:08 pm.**

****Denotes Action Required***

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Robert Duran III, Board President



Dennis E. Romero, Board Secretary

APPROVED: May 21, 2020