

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

February 25, 2021

A Regular 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, Las Vegas, New Mexico 87701 at 5:15 pm on the 25th day of February 2021.

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 – Absent
Board President Duran – Present

RECORDER: Marsha G. Archuleta

ALSO PRESENT: L. Larryssa Archuleta, Superintendent

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Board President Duran asked to review the agenda and make any adjustments that may be required. ***Motion by Board Member Lucero to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Board Secretary Romero. Motion passed unanimously.**

PUBLIC INPUT:

Josephine Herrera, local National Education Association President, expressed concern over professional development courses required for Educational Assistants to complete by March 26, 2021. Requested if the time for completion could be extended and if additional compensation would be given to those employees.

PRESENTATION:

- A. Update on School Based Clinics – Matt Probst, El Centro Family Health – Mr. Probst shared information regarding medical and mental healthcare during the COVID-19 Pandemic via the school-based health center Hub and Spoke Model. Stated the importance of healthcare during the pandemic. Shared that based on preliminary data, the El Centro Family Health Center Hub and Spoke model is highly successful in providing increased access to health care and improved quality outcomes. Mr. Probst stated that in addition to expanding access to care as measured by patient visits, clinical quality measures were superior compared to the non-Hub and Spoke El Centro Family Health (ECFH) control group and overall New Mexico School-Based Health Center data.

MINUTES:

- A. Discussion/Action: Minutes for Regular Board Meeting – January 21, 2021 – ***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to approve the minutes for the regular board meeting January 21, 2021. Motion seconded by Board President Duran. Motion passed unanimously.**
- B. Discussion/Action: Minutes for Special Board Meeting – February 2, 2021 - ***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to approve the minutes for the special board meeting February 2, 2021. Motion seconded by Board Member Lucero. Motion passed unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion/Action: Policy Services Alert – Alternate Demonstration of Competency (ADC) 2nd/final reading – Superintendent Archuleta shared that the policy services alert was sent by the policy services regarding the Alternate Demonstration of Competency (ADC). Superintendent Archuleta stated that there was concern around the state for students meeting graduation requirements during the pandemic and could affect the 2021 and possibly 2022 cohort. New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED) suggested that school districts honor the 24 credit requirement for current students; the district currently requires 26 credits. ***Motion by Board Member Lucero to adopt the Alternate Demonstration of Competency from the NMSBA Policy Service as the 2nd and final reading. Motion seconded by Board Secretary Romero. Motion passed unanimously.**
- B. Discussion/Action: New Mexico School Boards Association 2021 Excellence In Student Achievement Award Nomination – Board Secretary Romero nominated Gloria Lovato Pacheco and Elaine Luna for the award. Both ladies were former board of education members and actively involved in the community. No other individuals were nominated.
- C. Discussion/Action: Project Management Services for the Public School Facilities Authority (PSFA) Standards Based Sierra Vista Elementary Renovation Project – Superintendent Archuleta detailed the responsibilities the project manager would oversee for the PSFA renovation project. Stated there were two proposals: North Star NM and Visions in Planning. Both individuals have worked with the district on previous projects. Board Member Lucero stated there were some concerns with one of the individuals in the past and inquired if there were any other companies locally or through CES that could provide the service. Superintendent Archuleta stated both companies are part of Cooperative Educational Services (CES). ***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to approve the Project Management Services proposal from North Star NM for the PSFA Standards Based Sierra Vista Elementary Renovation Project. Motion seconded by Board Member Armijo. Motion passed unanimously.**
- D. Finance Committee – The finance committee met February 17, 2021 via zoom meeting at 5:15 pm. The minutes for January 20, 2021 were reviewed and approved. The January 31, 2021 bank reconciliation reports for the General Fund and Student Activity Fund were reviewed and no variances were noted between the bank and general ledger balances.

The Student Activity Fund Balance Report was reviewed and no variances were noted. The committee also reviewed the Cash Report, Revenues and Expenditures Report, the Request for Reimbursement (RFR) Report, Capital Outlay Report, list of donations, list of purchase orders, Pledged Collateral Letter and the Supplemental Pay Report.

Outstanding RFRs total \$433,052 for the current fiscal year. Revenues received in January total \$25,087.

The following BARs were reviewed and recommended for approval by the board: BAR #069-000-2021—0032-M Fund 24101 Title I Maintenance and BAR #069-000-2021-0033-M Fund 24101 Title I Maintenance. The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2021 at 5:15 pm.

1. Discussion/Action: BARs/Transfers/Expenditures/Awards - ***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to approve BAR #069-000-2021—0032-M Fund 24101 Title I Maintenance and BAR #069-000-2021-0033-M Fund 24101 Title I Maintenance. Motion seconded by Board Member Armijo. Motion passed unanimously.**

- E. Capital Outlay – Superintendent Archuleta shared the status of projects throughout the district. Stated that Southwest Glass and Glazing completed the window project. All water bottle fountains have been installed at all school sites. Proposal for the Sierra Vista renovation project manager was approved with North Star NM being awarded the project. Heating and cooling project at Memorial Middle School is complete. Completion date for the Los Niños project is set for late Spring. Fence at Robertson is complete with final walk through with Fire Marshal taking place March 1, 2021. Architect for School-based health center at Robertson sent mock drawings to the state engineer for review and approval. The district applied for funding for the demolition of Paul D. Henry Elementary. A visit from PSFA is scheduled for March 3, 2021. Received quotes for replacement of the marquees at the school sites. The heating and cooling system at Marr Gym consisted of replacing the coils and another quote is needed to replace the entire HVAC system. Air purifiers were ordered and sent to all sites. The movie industry expressed interest is using old Memorial Middle School, Legion Park and Mike Mateo Sena for their upcoming filming to store their equipment.
- F. Audit Committee Report – No information available. Waiting for the report to be released.
- G. Superintendent’s Report:
 - 1. Personnel Report – Staff – Superintendent Archuleta reported the resignation of Eddie Lujan and Patricia Pace; and new hire Johnny Vigil.
 - 2. District Update – Superintendent Archuleta shared that KOAT recently donated coats for kids and will be disseminated to students. Staff will be participating in PBIS professional development trainings. Activities for Robertson High School Seniors are being planned and will be posted. March 3rd, the Vecinos Juntos will be looking for volunteers to clean and pick up trash to help beautify the community. 100% Community organization is conducting a survey. Working with the USDA in obtaining a grant for lighting for approximately \$334,000 in which the district pays a percentage and USDA pays a percentage.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board of Education convened in closed session pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1-H (2) discussion of limited personnel matters specifically the Superintendent’s contract; and NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1-H (7) meetings subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant. ***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to convene in closed session pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1-H (2) discussion of limited personnel matters specifically the Superintendent’s contract; and NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1-H (7) meetings subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant. Motion seconded by Board Member Lucero.**

ROLL CALL: Board President Duran called for roll call:

- Board Member Lucero – Yes
- Board Member Armijo – Yes
- Board Secretary Romero – Yes
- Board Vice President Lujan – Absent
- Board President Duran – Yes

Board entered into executive session at 7:12 pm.

Motion by Board Secretary Romero to reconvene to regular session from Executive Session. Motion seconded by Board Member Lucero.

ROLL CALL: Board President Duran called for roll call:

Board Member Lucero - Yes
Board Member Armijo – Yes
Board Secretary Romero – Yes
Board Vice President Lujan – Absent
Board President Duran – Yes

Board reconvened to regular session from Executive Session at 6:40 pm. Board President Duran stated that the Board of Education convened into Executive Session pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1-H (2) discussion of limited personnel matters specifically the Superintendent’s contract; and NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1-H (7) meetings subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant and no action was taken.

Board President Duran stated that the Superintendent’s contract was reviewed and offered her a salary increase of 4% for the upcoming school year 2021-2022. Superintendent Archuleta declined the 4% increase and opted for a 1.5% salary increase for the 2021-2022 year. Salary for 2021-2022 with 1.5% increase will be \$126,672. Board President Duran asked Superintendent Archuleta if she accepted the increase for the 2021-2022 school year. Superintendent Archuleta accepted.

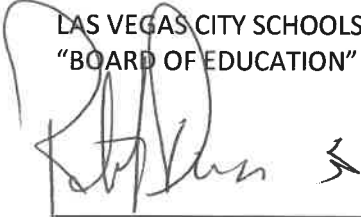
FUTURE PLANNING:

A. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2021 at 5:15 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

***Motion by Board Secretary Romero to adjourn. Motion seconded by Board Member Armijo. Motion passed unanimously to adjourn at 6:44 pm.**

****Denotes Action Required***

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Dennis E. Romero, Board Secretary

APPROVED: March 18, 2021