

PEÑASCO SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Veterans Memorial Administration Building
Tuesday, October 15, 2019
6:00 P.M.

1. Call Meeting to Order/Welcome/Moment of Silence/Salute to Flags

The Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, October 15, 2019 was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Board President. Mrs. Trujillo Mascareñas welcomed everyone present and called for a moment of silence.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag
Salute to New Mexico Flag

2. Roll Call

Board members present were Mr. Leroy Lopez, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman and Ms. Sherry Archuleta via phone.

Ms. Lisa Hamilton was also present.

3. Approval of Agenda Contents

Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of the October 15, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Agenda with the following changes: travel dates and locations for Mr. Mitchell's request for Out of State Travel.

A motion to approve the recommendation as amended was made by Mr. Leroy Lopez and seconded by Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman.

Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas called for the vote. The majority voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Board Minutes

- Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of the **September 17, 2019 Regular Board Meeting** minutes with the following change: correction from initials "LH" to actual name of Lisa Hamilton in different areas of the document.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Ms. Amanda Bissell and seconded by Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman.

Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas called for the vote. The majority voted in the affirmative.

- Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of the **September 30, 2019 Special Board Meeting** minutes

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman and seconded by Mr. Leroy Lopez.

Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas called for the vote. Voting in the affirmative were Mr. Leroy Lopez, Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Amanda Bissell, and Dorthy Lopez-Sherman. Ms. Sherry Archuleta abstained due to absence from this meeting.

~~Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, and Ms. Amanda Bissell.~~

5. Public Comment

Ms. Katrina Abreu Ortiz thanked the Board and others in attendance for the opportunity to work in the district. Ms. Abreu Ortiz also provided the Board with a letter that stated her reason for retiring at this time of year..

6. Superintendent's Report, L. Hamilton

a. Finance Committee Report - information and discussion regarding the following:

- Track Resurfacing - additional cost for the lettering and borders.
- Promethean Boards - \$131,000 for first batch.
- 2103 GRT Bonds
- Ed Tech Bonds
- 2018 GRT Bonds
- Negative balance of \$152,000
- Very small budget for Professional Development
- IDEA-B
- \$30,000
- Budget for school sites - Assistant Business Manager will access report and forward to the Principals.
- Bus Purchase BAR was approved at the last board meeting.
- School Ability Software

b. Maintenance Update - information and discussion regarding the following:

- \$8K to transition to a new server for operation of HVAC system at the Cafeteria. The heat at the cafeteria is at 72° but without the improvements there is no guarantee that it will remain at that temperature. Troubleshooting has been happening at no cost to the district for the past few weeks. VLX unit \$4K. Also, lost UPS due to a power surge. Cost inclusive of 2 days on site to configure system and train Maintenance and IT.

c. Cafeteria Update - information and discussion regarding the following:

- Breakfast After the Bell is going well at the Elementary and there is interest in expanding the program to the Middle/High Schools. Expansion to the these sites is strongly recommended. This would move the schools rating from average to high. Currently the school is in compliance. Intention of BAB is that instruction continues while students are able to eat. When you have a "high rating" your currency as a school district puts us in a positive light. Middle/High School would be reimbursed by USDA at 100%. CEP is a higher rate of reimbursement and now we are CEP.

d. Special Education Update - information and discussion regarding the following:

- Several trainings happening for SPED staff
- LEAP (Alternative Licensure Program - Mrs Trujillo is seeking the alternative certification and will have an elementary license and SPED.

- For Special Education meetings, all teachers and staff have been asked to keep their calendars clear for the bi-weekly meeting.
 - Mrs. Trujillo is working with Mrs. Anita MacAuley to learn the ropes and has just case managed her first IEP.
 - e. PES Update - information and discussion regarding the following:**
 - For 6th grade teacher replacement there are five applicants. A thirty day notice to previous employer may be required. Interviews will be happening soon. Mr. Ben Sanchez is the licensed substitute for the class. Current teacher is taking leave between now and her retirement day. She's also finishing her REad 180 testing at MS; PTO-make a stronger connection with the community, first meeting 11/5/2019 at PES library; completed walkthrough for 2-6th wing and one Kinder teacher. There are some areas we are very strong in. Istation data-look for something next month.
 - f. PMS/PHS Update - information and discussion regarding the following:**
 - Mr. Lopez - first newsletter; were able to recruit more "bugs" for Big Brothers/Sisters...Bigs are waiting for Littles, so waiting to match with Elementary students; presentation on Vaping (from Taos Alive)?; still have all seniors, and are working to maintain them and help them meet all graduation requirements; PTO meetings have been announced, needs to be added to the marquee.
 - g. IT & DATA Update - information and discussion regarding the following:**
 - D. Griego waiting on ancillary staff info for SPED 40 day report.
 - h. Asst. Business Mgr Update - information and discussion regarding the following:**
 - Janice Duran check on math consumables and reader decoders.
 - i. Transportation Update - information and discussion regarding the following:**
- 7. Discussion Items**
- a. Hard Water Treatment System**
 - would need to be added to document that goes out to the commission for the GRT 2018, it can be applied to Central Office (but not SB-9)
 - b. Lease Agreement with Patricia Lopez**
 - c. Cell Phone Policy**
 - Committee consisting of student Council, Teacher, Administrators, Parents to help create a new cell phone policy.
 - d. School Ability Consumer Agreement**
 - e. School Bus Purchase**
 - f. Recruitment of Teachers from other Countries**
 - Recruitment of Teachers from other countries - J1 Visa Holder that has to pay a certain amount monthly to the recruitment company for 3 years. NMPSIA will not cover these teachers with insurance for at least two years. What are the district's responsibilities to