

PEÑASCO SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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Online Meeting due to COVID-19
Tuesday, June 16, 2020
6:00 P.M.

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

The Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, June 16, 2020 was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President. Ms. Bissell welcomed everyone present and called for a moment of silence.

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

2. Roll Call

Board members present were Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman, Ms. Sherry Archuleta, Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, and Dr. Carlos Abeyta.

Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent was also present.

3. Approval of Agenda Contents

Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of the June 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas and seconded by Dr. Carlos Abeyta.

Ms. Amanda Bissell called for a roll call vote. Voting in the affirmative were Ms. Amanda Bissell, Dr. Carlos Abeyta, Ms. Sherry Archuleta, Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas and Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Board Minutes

Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of the May 19, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Dr. Carlos Abeyta. and seconded by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas.

Ms. Hamilton asked the minutes include the information she presented regarding the paid teacher internship program. Mr. Matthew Williams will be the individual participating in the program at Penasco ISD.

Ms. Amanda Bissell called for a roll call vote. Voting in the affirmative were Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, Ms. Sherry Archuleta and Dr. Carlos Abeyta. Motion carried.

Dr. Abeyta stated that this is an official school board meeting. Dr. Abeyta was referring to comments made on the chat option of the online meeting.

Ms. Amanda Bissell stated, to the public in attendance, that the chat function is to be used to ask to be recognized as it pertains to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

Ms. Kaori Lopez spoke in support of retaining staff in the best interest of continuity for students.

Mrs. Pauline Laumbach mentioned that staff have been using their personal resources to work with the students. She suggested stipends, possibly through the Cares Act funds, for staff because they have been impacted just as much as the students and parents were.

Ms. Alessandra Ogren spoke out in support of Mrs. Marina Lopez. She mentioned the anxiety and uncertainty that everyone is experiencing; the unity under the leadership of Mrs. Lopez; the need for a sense of normality/continuity for students and staff.

6. Superintendent's Report, L. Hamilton

a. Financial Report - Dr. Abeyta suggested that Superintendent Hamilton or the Business Manager give a synopsis for each one of the pieces in the financial report. He feels that this format would allow them to go through this report quickly because they would not be waiting for comments from the members. Ms. Janice Duran informed the Board that the recent payrolls were bigger due to paying out teachers.

b. Cafeteria Update

c. Maintenance Update

d. Elementary Principal Report

e. Special Education Report

f. MS-HS Report

g. Technology Report

h. Superintendent Report

7. Discussion Items

a. Commencement Ceremony Plans - Dr. Abeyta agreed that the Board would be following policy if they are passing out diplomas at commencement. For the Record - due to Covid-19 the Board will not be taking its normal role. Ms. Amanda Bissell stated that if a formal motion is required it can be added to the agenda at another meeting.

Dr. Abeyta made a motion to have the Board seated at the side of the stage, 6 feet apart.

b. Waterford Responsive Classroom

- Online program - cost \$7,000

- K-4 with a parental involvement component.
- Program allows for use at school and at home.
- Cares Act allowable areas.
- MTM - How many teachers are involved in this licensure?
- CA - Teachers or students? LH - Both.
- DLS - What will be taught? LH - Math, Reading and Literacy.
- AB - Have the Principal and the Teachers been given the opportunity to review the program? LH - Discussions have taken place with the Principal, Administrative Staff and SPED Director. The program was recommended by the leadership team.
- Dr. Abeyta - Does the training include Educational Assistants?

c. Responsive Classroom Training Purchase

- LH - cost per teacher \$729, 16 teachers x \$729 with a portion coming out of the Community Schools Planning grant and Title II.
- MTM - has there been communication with the teachers?
- LH - Interest from staff is as follows: Elementary - 16, MS/HS - 6

d. Shade Structure ES Playground Purchase

- Elementary School Playground, play areas and tables.
- Would be helpful should they want to hold classes outside.
- DLS - would be important for the MS/HS also.
- AB - will staff be putting this up?
- LH - in total there will be four structures but this PO is for three.
- CA - the playground needs a lot of attention.
- CA - inquired about the main ditch that runs through the district, the old clinic. The grass used to be lush and green. Now it is full of holes and bumpy.

e. Ready Kids 1 Training Purchase

- Staff development
- Students benefit from blended & project based learning, digital lessons and projects.
- Train the trainers, training for all staff.
- AB - which teachers will be participating?
- LH - Community School partners, Bobby Richardson, Inez Ortega, Alessandra Ogren, Aaron Mitchell, Stephanie Noll, Michael Noll, Mandy Montoya and another teacher at the Middle School.

8:16 pm Ms. Sherry Archuleta is unable to use the mic on chat but will use the chat option.

f. Zearn Math Purchase

- Adoption for Math programming, second choice - strong online component.
- Cost is incredibly reasonable - \$5,000 for the schoolwide license.
- K-5 Elementary
- Teacher guide
- All materials needed by students, manipulatives
- Professional development required by the State
- DLS - can online learning be purchased through the Cares Act?

- AB- reason for overriding the first choice - current vendor?
- LH- based on test scores, the program not proven to work (Math), not recommended by PED. Zearn graded at 97%
- This program will afford all of the teachers the opportunity to teach the entire program online.
- Small groups and teacher-led instruction.
- DLS - a lot of great components. What would be the reason for wanting to keep the other program? Students and parents are used to the old program?
- The old program would require a six year commitment. The Zearn program will be a one year commitment. Not obligated to stay with the program after the year.
- AB - is in support of spending \$ for tools and supports for teachers using these new and different models.
- LH - professional development with Zearns is on demand, any lesson and any materials.
- LH - could try it out for 2 to 3 years to see how it works.
- The district would not be investing the same amount of money as usual.

g. Renewal of School Ability Contract

- \$18,000 + GRT
- The contract amount has been budgeted for the 20-21 SY.
- MTM - inquired as to why the contract was signed prior to approval.
- LH - cost per month does not amount to \$5,000.
- AB - the Board generally approves contracts.

h. Legal Services

- **Walsh and Gallegos**
- **Geno Zamora**
- **Dina Holcomb**

- LH - recommends Walsh and Gallegos for general attorney services and Dina Holcomb for employee and labor law.
- Also recommended by the insurance company.

i. Salary Schedules

- CA - requested that a training index be added to the salary schedule for the nurse.
- Comparison of Cafeteria and Maintenance salary schedules.
- The Board reviewed all the salary schedules. Some suggestions and questions were made.

j. Bilingual Endorsement prioritization for teaching staff

- CA - finding people with cultural values and ways of life.
- Bilingual endorsements and teaching spanish a priority for the school district.

k. Board Conduct

- CA - work session to discuss changing Board officers.
- CA - prefers not to discuss in open meeting but would be agreeable to a work session.

8. Approval of

a. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended approval of the Waterford Responsive Classroom Purchase.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas and seconded by Dr. Carlos Abeyta.

Ms. Amanda Bissell called for a roll call vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms Sherry Archuleta voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

b. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended approval of the Responsive Classroom Training Purchase.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Dr. Carlos Abeyta and seconded by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas.

Ms. Amanda Bissell called for a roll call vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms Sherry Archuleta voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

c. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended presentation of the Shade Structure ES Playground Purchase.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas and seconded by Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman.

Ms. Amanda Bissell called for a roll call vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms Sherry Archuleta voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

d. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended approval of the Ready Kids 1 Training Purchase.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Ms. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman and seconded by Dr. Carlos Abeyta.

Dr. Abeyta inquired as to whether the number of staff that can participate is limited to 8 people.

Ms. Amanda Bissell called for a roll call vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms Sherry Archuleta voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

e. Zearn Math Purchase

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Dr. Carlos Abeyta and seconded by Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms. Sherry Archuleta. Motion Carried.

f. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended the Renewal of School Ability Contract in the amount of \$18,000 + GRT.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Dr. Carlos Abeyta and seconded by Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms. Sherry Archuleta. Motion Carried.

g. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended approval to award the General Legal Services Contract to Walsh & Gallegos

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas and seconded by Dr.. Carlos Abeyta.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms. Sherry Archuleta. Motion Carried.

Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended approval to award the Legal Services Contract for assisting the district with Employee and Labor Disputes to Dina Holcomb.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Dr. Carlos Abeyta and seconded by Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms. Sherry Archuleta. Motion Carried.

h. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended approval of Salary Schedules.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas and seconded by Dr. Carlos Abeyta.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms. Sherry Archuleta. Motion Carried.

i. Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent recommended approval of Bilingual Endorsement Prioritization for Teaching Staff.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Dr. Carlos Abeyta and seconded by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Ms. Amanda Bissell, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, Dr. Carlos Abeyta and Ms. Sherry Archuleta. Motion Carried.

9. Consent Agenda Items

Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of Consent Agenda Items:

Payroll Vouchers \$347,837.29
Payables \$227,525.81

BAR #	Fund Description	Type	Amount
1920-0098-IB	Cares Act	Initial Bar	\$ 160,736.00
1920-0099-T	Impact Aid Indian Education	Transfer	
1920-0100-T	Community Schools Grant	Transfer	

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman and seconded by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for a roll call vote. Voting in the affirmative were Ms. Amanda Bissell, Ms. Sherry Archuleta, Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman and Dr. Carlos Abeyta. Motion Carried.

10. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the **June 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and to reconvene on June 17, 2020 at 6:00 pm via online meeting beginning with Item #10 Items Suggested for Future Meetings** was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas and seconded by Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for a roll call vote. Voting in the affirmative were Ms. Sherry Archuleta, Dr. Carlos Abeyta, Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascarenas, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman and Ms. Amanda Bissell. Motion carried.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President adjourned the meeting at 11:00 p.m.

FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ATTEST: _____
President **Secretary**

DATE: _____