

PEÑASCO SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Veterans Memorial Administration Building
Wednesday, March 4, 2020
6:00 P.M.

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

The Special Board Meeting of Wednesday, March 4, 2020 was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President. Ms. Bissell welcomed everyone present and called for a moment of silence. Ms. Bissell recognized the Lady Panthers Basketball team, the Athletic Coordinator and Coaches for their accomplishments throughout this basketball season. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas also recognized the support of the parents and fans.

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. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas, Mrs. Dorthy Lopez-Sherman, Ms. Sherry Archuleta, and Dr. Carlos Abeyta.

Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Superintendent was also present.

3. Approval of Agenda Contents

Ms. Amanda Bissell recommended approval of the March 4, 2020 Special Board Meeting Agenda with the addition of Public Comment. Ms. Bissell stated that she had reached out to legal counsel regarding whether it was okay to add to the agenda. She was advised that as long as it fits within what is in the agenda it was okay to add the item. Ms. Bissell advised the public in attendance that if they should deviate from what is within the agenda she would interrupt and stop the comments.

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

Ms. Amanda Bissell called for the vote. The majority voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment

There were several requests by members of the staff and community to present comments and information to the Board.

5. Discussion Items

- a. Signatures for Centinel Bank - after discussion the Board agreed to keep the President and Secretary of the Board as the signers with the Vice-President as the alternate signer.
- b. Quarterly Board Work Session - Ms. Bissell suggested that items that are not as pressing but that need to be addressed could be worked through during a quarterly board work session. Dr. Abeyta feels this is a great idea which would allow the board to focus on student outcomes. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas agrees that it is a good idea that will allow for more questions that will help everyone understand better.
- c. Community Schools Grant Update - Ms. Hamilton introduced Mr. Michael Noll as the Community Schools Grant Coordinator. Mr. Noll presented some ideas

that he is currently working on.

- d. Standing practice to end meetings at 10:00 pm and postpone remaining agenda. Ms. Bissell recommended this as a practice of the Board but not as a policy. Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas agreed as long as the Board takes care of business and people know what is going on.

6. **Approval of**

- a. Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of Board Members that will be the signers at Centinel Bank. Ms. Amanda Bissell and Ms. Sherry Archuleta will be the primary signers and Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman will be the third signer in case one of the primary signers is not available.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas and seconded by Ms. Sherry Archuleta.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. The majority voted in the affirmative.

- b. Ms. Lisa Hamilton recommended approval of a Quarterly Board Work Session.

A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Dr. Carlos Abeyta and seconded by Ms. Sherry Archuleta.

Ms. Bissell called for a 10 minute break at 7:05 pm. The Board returned from break at 7:30 pm.

7. **Executive Session**

Limited Personnel Matters

- Hiring Protocols
- Superintendent's Contract

A motion to adjourn to the Executive Session to discuss Hiring Protocols and Superintendent's Contract was made by Mrs. Mary Trujillo Mascareñas and seconded by Dr. Carlos Abeyta.

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

The Peñasco School Board of Education adjourned to the Executive Session at 7:31 pm as provided for in the Open Meetings Act.

The Peñasco School Board of Education reconvened from the Executive Session at 11:22 pm.

8. **Approval of Superintendent's Contract**

Ms. Amanda Bissell reported to the public that the Board had decided not to renew Superintendent Hamilton's contract for the next school year.

9. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the **March 4, 2020 Special Board Meeting** was made by Mrs. Dorothy Lopez-Sherman and seconded by Ms. Sherry Archuleta.

Ms. Amanda Bissell, Board President called for the vote. The majority voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Ms. Amanda Bissell adjourned the meeting at 11:23 p.m.

FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ATTEST: _____
President **Secretary**

DATE: _____