

NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 14, 2020 held at 2:30 p.m.

I. Attendance:

The following Board Members were present:

Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr., President; Members Barbara Mendoza, Robert Rojas and Manuel Ruiz

Greg Lucero, Clerk, joined telephonically during the executive session.

a. Call to Order

Dr. Varona called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Mendoza led all in the Pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Ruiz made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:

Ruiz, Mendoza, Rojas and Varona

II. Executive Session

- a. Call for Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (4) for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney of the public body regarding opening schools for providing on-site services and to consider its position and instruct its attorney regarding the body's position regarding Executive Order 2020-51 and possible litigation or discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation. This session will be held via Zoom, but closed to the public.

At 2:40pm

Mr. Ruiz made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:

Ruiz, Mendoza, Rojas and Varona

III. Reopening of Regular Session

Dr. Varona reopened the regular session at 3:50pm

IV. Discussion and Possible Action Concerning Opening of Schools for Providing On-site Services and Superintendent's Recommendation for the Provision of On-site Services Referenced Executive Order 2020-51

Superintendent Parra gave a brief overview of the recommendation and the positive feedback he has received from teachers and the community.

He recommended opening in person school until the Covid-19 results data changes improve following executive order 2020-51 providing services to students in most need accordingly.

He also mentioned there would be a Covid-19 testing blitz on Monday, August 17 and August 18, 2020, through Mariposa Community Health Center.

He further mentioned that the State Department of Education (ADE) had contacted him on August 14, 2020, and they were aware of the District's plan and supported the plan for transition of (IEP) self-contained subgroup starting Monday, August 24, 2020.

He furthermore mentioned that local doctors have met with the leadership team and thanked them for approving the district's plan, for their guidance to continue and proceed with a safe environment for students and teachers.

Superintendent Parra recommended approval of the provision of on-site services referenced executive order 2020-51 to the special self-contained education students to begin Aug. 24, 2020.

Mr. Ruiz made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for approval.

Mrs. Mendoza stated that during these hard times this was something that needed to be done in order to continue the safety of the students.

Mr. Ruiz supported Mrs. Mendoza's comments.

Motion carried unanimously with individual vote of 'aye' by members:
Mendoza, Rojas, Ruiz and Varona

V. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Instruction to District's Attorney Based Upon Discussion in Executive Session

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Mendoza, Rojas, Ruiz and Varona

Dr. Varona thanked Ms. Susan Segal, attorney for the District, for having been able to be present at the meeting and give guidance and expert legal advice in this matter.

He further extended his appreciation to Mr. Alex Lopez, Technology Director, for his professionalism in making this meeting a total success.

He concluded thanking Assistant Superintendent Canto and Ms. Mendoza-Jimenez for sharing their professional opinions.

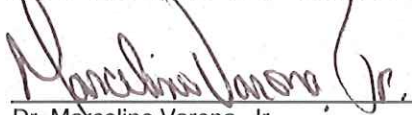
VI. Adjournment

Mrs. Mendoza made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Mendoza, Ruiz, Rojas and Varona

Session adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD



Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr. President



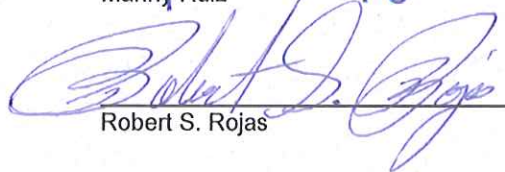
Greg Lucero Clerk



Barbara Mendoza Member



Manny Ruiz Member



Robert S. Rojas Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary
August 24, 2020

(For exact statements made during the Board Meeting, you may request a copy of the DVD)