



NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the April 27, 2020 held at 3:00 p.m.

I. Attendance:

The following Board Members were present:

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

a. Call to Order

Dr. Varona called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Ruiz led all in the Pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval, including the consent agenda as presented to the Board.

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

Dr. Varona requested items O, U, V and W be pulled out of the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

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

Susan Segal, Esq., joined the meeting telephonically at 3:04pm

II. Approval of Governing Board Minutes

a. Approval of the Regular Governing Board Minutes of February 24, 2020 and Special Board Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2020

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, Lucero and Varona

III. Governing Board/Superintendent Information

a. Superintendent Report - Discussion, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

1. Thank you and Appreciation:

-Ms. Barbara Mendoza, Local United States Postal Service (USPS)

Superintendent Parra thanked Ms. Barbara Mendoza for helping guiding the district on sending out via mail a large volume of documents to the students and further guiding the district to qualify and get a big dollar savings.

Mrs. Mendoza mentioned it was unprecedented what the postal services needed to do to get the packets to the students and she was glad to have been able to help.

- South32 – Donation

Superintendent Parra thanked South32 and Mr. Lucero for the \$10,000 donation to provide the virtual items needed for students' use.

He further mentioned that South32 is working together with the Nogales International to provide activity books to students of 3rd and 4th grade, which also will be delivered by NUSD.

Dr. Varona thanked them on behalf of the board for their donation and all the help they are providing for the students of NUSD.

- County Superintendent's Office, Mr. Alfredo I. Velásquez - Donation

Superintendent Parra thanked the County Superintendent for their help with their donation for the extra expenses, which will be fulfilled by the donation.

2. Superintendent Update During Covid-19

Superintendent Parra gave a summary of the procedures taken place during the pandemic.

He mentioned that the budget revision for FY19 would be discussed at the meeting of May 11, 2020, as well as a presentation of the Budget Factors/Study Session.

He mentioned he was happy that the Board had been communicating and reaching out to make sure all the information is being received first hand from the superintendent and the administration.

He further mentioned that the NUSD Administration is working together and he has seen no disturbances, and thanked the Governing Board for their support and being in constant communication. He added that the parents have been supportive with the information given and the leadership of the administration and staff have been helping with everything.

He communicated that he is working with a high school committee to decide on a virtual graduating ceremony for the graduating class of 2020.

He also mentioned that summer school was looking at a possible online program.

He concluded mentioning he will continue to give updates as it comes up during the next few months.

b. Governing Board Report, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

Mrs. Mendoza mentioned she was glad to see ASBA was providing webinars and were doing a great job keeping everyone informed and connected.

Mr. Ruiz made comments regarding possible budget cuts and the new upcoming budget and revenue having possible changes for the county.

He also made comments about Covid-19 in the county and the importance for everyone to be proactive.

He concluded by stating the possibility of Legislature getting together May 1, 2020.

Mr. Lucero mentioned that Legislature would need to reconvene soon for discussion on how the State will move forward during Covid-19.

Dr. Varona thanked Superintendent Parra and Alex Lopez, Technology Director, for their programming on YouTube as well as Mediacom Ch. 10, and making the transmission of the meeting possible for the community to watch.

IV. Call to the Public – By Email Only

Superintendent Parra gave a brief explanation of how the call to the public during Covid-19 is being handled.

He added that No emails or comments from the public had been received as of this morning.

V. Consent Agenda Items

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented with the previous request to set aside for discussion items O, U, V, and W.

Dr. Varona accepted the recommendation.

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

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

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Approval of Donation by Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office (Alfredo Velasquez - \$5,000 to NUSD for benefit and growth of the organization)
- c. Approval of Donation by Arizona Minerals/South 32 (Melanie Lawson – \$10,000 to NUSD for purchase of chrome books for distance learning during school closure)
- d. Approval of Emergency Procurement for NHS Fire Alarm System
- e. Approval of Emergency Procurement for NHS Water Line Repair
- f. Approval of Renewal of Award for Sole Source Status to Creative Product Sourcing Inc. for FY20-21
- g. Approval of Renewal of Award for Sole Source Status to Frontline Technologies/Education for FY20-21
- h. Approval of Award for Sole Source Status to Johnson Controls for FY20-21
- i. Approval of Renewal of Sole Source Award to Kronos Inc. for FY20-21
- j. Approval of Renewal of Sole Source Status to Scholastic Inc. for FY20-21
- k. Approval of Renewal of Sole Source Award to Tyler Technologies for FY20-21
- l. Approval of Renewal of Sole Source Award Status to Certipoint/Microsoft Technology Associate Certification Provider for FY20-21
- m. Approval of Renewal of Award of Sole Source Status to United States Postal Service for FY20-21

- n. Approval of Personnel Agenda Summary
- o. Approval of Insurance Renewal ASBAIT, Delta Dental and AXA through BC/BS for FY2020-2021**

Superintendent Parra explained there was an increase of 9.5% rate in the insurance and the administration had programmed and anticipated a 10% increase, therefore, the district was still able to provide to the teachers and the employees this incentive without extra charge to them.

Dr. Varona mentioned this was an explanation that needed to be discussed with the new budget including the other gratifications provided to the employees.

- p. Approval of Pay-Period Schedule for School Year 2020-2021
- q. Approval of Contracts/Wage Notice Language for School Year 2020-2021
- r. Approval of Salary Schedules for School Year 2020-2021
- s. Approval of Benefits Schedules for School Year 2020-2021
- t. Approval of Renewal of Employees for School Year 2020-2021
- u. Approval of Modification of Classroom Site Fund (CSF) Performance Pay Plan for School Year 2019-2020 Due to COVID-19 Related School Closures Pursuant to ARS §15-977**

Superintendent Parra explained that this plan was previously approved and the administration had made some adjustments with legal counsel approval.

Mrs. Zuniga explained the recommendations given and agreed by the committee.

Dr. Varona clarified that the teacher voted on these modifications and the Board had approved them.

- v. Approval of Resolution R 2020-04-001 NUSD Covid-19 Educational Response Plan**

Superintendent Parra explained they had provided the summary and specifics to the Board and gave a summarized clarification of the plans taken. He added these had approval of legal counsel and the resolution was being recommended for final Board approval.

Mr. Ruiz mentioned he was ready to sign and approve the resolution together with the Board.

Mr. Rojas congratulated Superintendent Parra and his leadership team for all the work they do. He added that as a parent of an eleven year old, he sees the students are appreciating teachers more.

Mrs. Mendoza mentioned she was excited about the IB and AB students moving forward and happy to see they will earn their diploma. She asked if there would be a special recognition of students for the fall and if there a plan already in place.

Superintendent Parra mentioned there was a plan and gave a brief explanation.

- w. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between NUSD and ASU Digital Prep**

Asst. Superintendent Angel Canto gave a brief overview.

Mrs. Mendoza thanked them for all their work to keep the district moving forward.

Mr. Ruiz thanked them for always engaging into the education of the students.

Mr. Ruiz made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Rojas for approval of Consent Items O, U, V and W, as presented and discussed by the Board.

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

- VI. Action - None
- VII. Information and Discussion - None
- VIII. Requests for Future Agenda Items

Mr. Rojas requested an update on the upcoming High School Summer School.

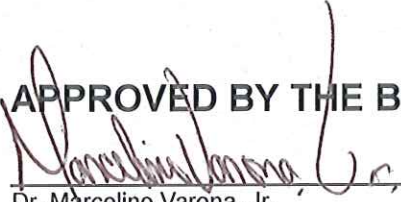
- IX. Adjournment of the Study Session

Mr. Lucero made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for adjournment of the public meeting.

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

Session adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD



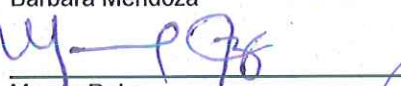
Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr. President



Greg Lucero Clerk



Barbara Mendoza Member



Manny Ruiz Member



Robert S. Rojas Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary
May 11, 2020

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