

New America School-Las Cruces

Governing Council

Thursday, April 15, 2021

5:00 PM

207 S. Main

Las Cruces. NM

Board Members Present: Susie Kimble (President), Fernando Macias (Vice-President), Martha Valdez (Secretary/Treasurer), Oscar Juarez

Regrets: Jennifer Garcia Kozlowski,

Staff Present: Margarita Porter, Craig Cook, Veronica Gonzalez, Kyle Hunt, Tommy Esparza

Special Guest: Kelly Callahan

Minutes of the GC

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm by Susie Kimble
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. The mission statement was read by Susie Kimble.
4. Students of the month were recognized Manny Hernandez, Quentin Baney, Shastine Baney, Elyssa Gomez
5. Public Input: none
6. Moved by Fernando Macias and seconded by Oscar Juarez that the agenda be adopted. Votes: Unanimous.
7. Moved by Fernando Macias and seconded Oscar Juarez that the minutes of March 18, 2021 be approved. Votes: Unanimous.
Kyle Hunt presented the financial reports for the school covering the period up through March 31st, 2021. BARs #0020-IB, 0021-I, 0022-I, and 0023. The council discussed additional expected funding sources for the budget next year including possible American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds which are projected to be greater than current ESSER II funds. Moved by Fernando Macias and seconded by Susie Kimble that financial reports and BARs be accepted as presented. Votes: Unanimous.
8. Superintendent presented the new evaluation to be used. Ms. Porter will submit it to the GC on May 30. Moved by Fernando Macias and seconded by Susie Kimble that the evaluation for the Superintendent be adopted as present. Votes: Unanimous.
9. Discussion was had regarding the Part-time Resolution. Moved by Fernando Macias and seconded Oscar Juarez that Part-time Resolution be accepted as presented. Votes: Unanimous.
10. Superintendent presented the calendar for 2021-22. There are 150 instructional days. Extended Learning Time Program was discussed. NAS-LC will opt out of the ELTP however, an email was sent to Dep. Sec Sandoval regarding the restructuring of the program to fit Friday School. The response is pending. Moved by Fernando Macias and seconded Oscar Juarez that the school calendar for students be accepted as presented. Votes: Unanimous.
11. LPA: Ms. Susie stated that all of the paperwork has been signed and the check for \$650,000 is ready for pick-up.
12. Budget Overview, second month: A 3% was proposed for all employees. Hold harmless monies, salary for custodian were discussed. No vote was done.
13. Public input on budget: none
14. Board Training: Kelly will follow up with the hours. GC currently has 10 hours. Other hour pending is 1 hour for CLR training. This will be presented soon. Both Susie and M. Porter attended a CLR training, Pathway I, in January 2020.
15. Renewal; the final meeting was on April 12. Part B will be completed soon and shared with staff. Parent signatures collected are 71.
16. Superintendent report:
 - We currently have 211 students enrolled, more than any count date this school year.
 - Reentry was approved and began on April 12, with 21 students attending in person.

- Graduation: June 30 to allow more time for open air venues to be available.
- Family Index was signed by the Governor. NAS-LC will receive 69K that will be used for a Special Education teacher.
- CSD visit will be on April 27th.

17. Adjournment 6:40 pm

18. Next Meeting, May 20, 2021

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Martha Valdez, Secretary