



GOVERNING COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of the Southwest Preparatory Learning Center Governing Council on
Thursday, February 20, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Aaron Redd, Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, DeEtte Peterson James Burton

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

(None)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Jonas Cossey

PUBLIC

Michael Vigil, Mark Baker

These minutes were approved on Thursday, April 16, 2020

By a vote of X yes ___ no___ absent ___ abstained

Aaron Redd President

Tonya McCullough Secretary

I. Call to Order

By Alissa Mavridis

Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 5:05 PM

Regular Meeting of the Governing Council for Southwest Preparatory Learning Centers

Southwest Learning Centers Conference Room

10301 Candelaria Road NE

Albuquerque, NM 87112

A. Roll Call

Tonya called Aaron Redd (arriving late), Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, DeEtte Peterson and James Burton

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Alissa Mavridis

C. Adoption of the Agenda*

Jonas said the next board meeting will be March 19th, not on the 18th.

Motion by Alissa Mavridis that we ADOPT the Agenda with the correction to the next meeting.

Seconded by DeEtte Peterson

Carried All in Favor

D. Review / Approval of Minutes from January 16, 2020 Regular Meeting*

There were no comments from the Board.

Motion by DeEtte Peterson to APPROVE the Minutes

Seconded by Marvin Larsen

Carried All in Favor

II. Financial Update

A. Finance Committee Report (Committee met February 20, 2020 at 4:30pm)

Michael said we are carrying a very healthy balance in our accounts. Everything looks good in the school.

B. Approval of BAR's #530-000-1920-0012 – I*

Michael explained the BAR:

-0012-I: The state finalized the unit value for funding for every school and are now distributing the remaining funds. It will give additional budget authority, to be distributed monthly, until the end of the fiscal year.

Marvin commented the amount of funding was due to our increase in students.

Michael said, if needed, we will carry over these funds to next year.

Motion by Alissa Mavridis that we APPROVE BAR 0012-I

Seconded by DeEtte Peterson

Carried All in Favor

Aaron Redd arrived at 5:17 PM

III. Closed Session*

A. Matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7) regarding potential restitution and real estate.

B. Motion by Aaron Redd that we GO INTO Closed Session and that matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7) regarding potential restitution and real estate matters be discussed.

- He invited Jonas Cossey, our Interim Head Administrator, and Mark Baker, attorney, to participate.

Seconded by Alissa Mavridis

Carried All in Favor

Roll Call

Tonya called Aaron Redd, Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, DeEtte Peterson and James Burton

Closed Session began at 5:18

IV. Open Session and Action on Matters Discussed in Closed Session*

Motion by Alissa Mavridis that we MOVE BACK INTO Open Session and that matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7) regarding potential restitution and real estate matters were discussed.

Seconded by Aaron Redd

Carried All in Favor

Roll Call

Tonya called Aaron Redd, Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, DeEtte Peterson and James Burton.

Open Session began at 5:36

Action on Matters*

Motion by Aaron Redd that we TAKE ACTION on matters discussed where we approved the settlement of the case, and approved the resolution of insurance to NMPSIA, and authorized the chairman of the governing body counsel to sign on our behalf.

Seconded by DeEtte Peterson

Carried All in Favor

V. Public Comment (5 minutes per individual with the right to allow more time from Governing Council President)

No public comment.

VI. Ongoing Governing Body Business Matters

Aaron talked about training sent out by the PED, and shared who still owed any, if any, hours. The Board discussed ways they were going to finalize their hours.

VII. Head Administrator Report and Summary

A. NMPED Site Visit Update

Jonas shared the visit with the Board. He said the visit went well overall. There were a few items that needed some attention, and were already being taken care of. There was an issue with an employee's licensure proof and missing one evacuation drill last year. Our SAT and ELL departments looked good.

B. Current STAR Data

Jonas shared the schools current STAR testing data so far. He explained what the colors meant, and the academic progression for Math and Reading, 4th through 8th grade. The Board had a discussion on the percentile ratings, and the different progression comparisons. There were some classes that dropped in progression in January. Jonas told the Board that was common as the tests are taken directly after Winter Break; students have not had instruction for two weeks, and they may be getting back into routine.

C. 2020-2021 Calendar Approval*

Jones shared the Instructional Employee, and Non-Instructional Employee Workday and Payroll Calendars. The only change made to days was the Non-Instructional calendar went from 240 to 239 days.

Motion by Aaron Redd that we APPROVE the 2020-2021 Calendars.

Seconded by Alissa Mavridis

Carried All in Favor

D. Instructional Materials Policy Revision*

Jones shared the Materials Policy Revision with the Board. The PED made some small changes to the parental involvement portion in that they shall be invited in the adoption of new instructional materials.

Motion by Alissa Mavridis that we APPROVE the Instructional Materials Policy Revision.

Seconded by Marvin Larsen

Carried All in Favor

E. UNM Work Study Update

Jonas said we lost five UNM employees after Winter Break, due to normal changes like graduations, moving away, and continuing education. We have already hired new workers and they are in the classroom helping students. Marvin wondered if we have had work-study students that stay with us more than one year, and the answer was yes. We have had several students with continuing service.

F. Martinez/Yazzie and the Equity Council

Jonas said he has already been to two trainings for this, and he and Robert will attend another 2-day training in March. He familiarized the Board with the Martinez v. Yazzie lawsuit, which specifically looks at at-risk students. Due to this, the PED will be setting up new policy. Southwest Learning Centers will be working on this together, due to the possibility of merging in the future. The PED is also requiring schools to build a framework on how they will implement this. They will have more information at the next Board meetings.

G. IT Report

Jonas read the IT report from Tim: They are getting the laptops provisioned, but still have issues. They plan to have enough devices for the first round of testing in March. Internet Safety training was held February 7th for all grades. They submitted their e-rate application for the next fiscal year, which reimburses us for our internet costs.

VIII. New Business Matters

A. Date for next SPLC Governing Council Meeting – scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 5:00pm.

IX. Adjournment*

Motion by Aaron Redd for ADJOURNMENT.

Seconded by Alissa Mavridis

Carried All in Favor

Note: * Indicates Action / Approved Item

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