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Superintendent

**BOARD MEETING AGENDA
PECOS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2024
PECOS SCHOOLS BOARD ROOM
PECOS, NM
6:00 PM**

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MINUTES

**Regular Meeting
Pecos Board of Education
Pecos Independent School District
Pecos, New Mexico
Pecos Schools Board Room
Pecos, NM
November 19, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The President, Mr. Grady Barrens called the meeting to order @ 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Grady Barrens, Board President
Mr. Harold J. Garcia, Board Vice President
Ms. Claudette Roybal, Board Secretary
Ms. Edna Herrera, Board Member
Mr. James Tanuz, Board Member
Ms. Debra Sena-Holton, Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Cathy Gallegos	Mary Ann Daves	Gilbert Morales	Gowan Hays
Mary Catherine A. Vigil		Teresita Montano	Santiago Carreon
Vanessa DeJesus	Marilu Herrera	Ivie Archuleta	Ramon Archuleta
Mila Archuleta	Aria Archuleta	Melissa T. Valencia-Flores	
Danielle Seaboy			

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Based on Superintendent Sena-Holton's recommendation, Member Herrera motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Member Tanuz. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

GOLDEN PANTHER RECOGNITION

Principals announced November award recipients, mentioned the unique traits meriting the individual of the award and presented those in attendance with a recognition certificate. The Golden Panthers recognized were Ivie Archuleta-Herrera-3rd grader, Santiago Carreon-8th grader, Audrina Ortiz-Junior and Susan Ortega-staff member.

EAST PECOS PROPERTY UPDATE

Superintendent Sena-Holton stated several updates will be provided, mentioned yard maintenance and preparation had been completed for impending work. She reported on a break in to the property (through the back door), noted the building does not contain no provisions for theft aside from heavy equipment and made aware the door was damaged. She briefed on the internal condition and relayed that the maintenance department cleaned and repaired the door. Superintendent Sena-Holton noted the contractors were onsite and regarded that they are unable to complete the lead abatement in the main building, on account of causing structural damage to the building, pointed out the plan to postpone working on the removal of the lead and embark upon the portable for the asbestos. She summarized a document received, describing another scope of work and specifying the additional scope components; no demolition is currently planned, lead painted building components will be stabilized as required, approved methods of encapsulation with specified lead-based paint elastomeric encapsulating paint will be applied, the paint is designed to provide protective coating that is intended to last 20 years. She announced completion of the asbestos abatement in the portable building, which involved stabilizing the cove base mastic and applying an encapsulation and mentioned the anticipated shipment of the encapsulate for the main building. She noted the detection of structural damage and stated information is not obtainable until the report is received. President Barrens remarked on the possibility of demolishing regardless. Vice President Garcia indicated it would be helpful to know where the proposed paint originated. Superintendent Sena-Holton conveyed the special paint is intended for/geared toward when the removal/measures will bring forth structural damage to buildings and informed the change was overseen by the environment department. President Barrens acknowledged the operation is moving relatively quick and emphasized on the need to solidify plans, as to the Boards plans/intentions for the space.

UNIT/DIRECTOR REPORTS

Secondary

Mr. Morales elaborated on the pending resources and materials for curriculum and instruction; based upon review of information, acknowledged encountering some deficits with students and identified the core fundamentals in sequential order. He gave an overview of the remediation tactic he intends to propose to the Superintendent, for consideration. He gave a briefing on classroom walk-thrus; conveyed we have some very good teachers, pointed out the difference in the two sites is that perhaps they have worked a little bit longer with each other and have developed that team mentality of working in collaboration with each other. Mr. Morales stated that the students are highly respectful of the majority of the staff. He briefed on staffing and gave his perspective regarding the Science Department; inundation of one teacher, reporting he had four subjects with labs and spoke on establishing a method of effectiveness. Mr. Morales mentioned the ongoing efforts to assist, provide continued support and pointed out a slight fluidity improvement in lesson plans and stated he perceives that come next semester we are going to improve that much more. President Barrens extended his gratitude for the detailed report and requested sharing of the outcomes/updates on significant findings etc. For the record, he expressed understanding to undertaking everyday tasks/daily duties, made aware the Board is fully supportive and encouraged collaboration with the Superintendent. President Barrens voiced appreciation for being in the position, working through the affairs and offered support by any possible means. Mr. Morales noted an improvement with the increase of engagement/interaction with students, staff and teachers. He touched upon the review of grades at the 40 day mark; the strategies implemented and conveyed the rigor has improved overall. He mentioned the number of students dropped from the Dual Credit Program and briefed on the reasoning. Member Herrera applauded the Latinos In Action Students who assisted with the serving of Veterans for Veterans Day.

Secretary Roybal reported on her attendance of an onsite boundaries training; a student-based training, informed it was a well-received presentation for all grades, mentioned the content presented and remarked on the student awareness raised within the context of the training. Mr. Morales stated his intent to elaborate further/more in depth in the future.

Support Services/Student Nutrition

Ms. Daves noted preparations for the Thanksgiving meal are underway. She announced the hiring of a cook for the elementary cafeteria, conveyed the Culinary Students are providing additional support in the kitchen and stated staff has been incredible with extending assistance as well. She acknowledged kitchen staff attendance is an issue. Ms. Daves announced the number of meals expected to be served for the Thanksgiving meal. Ms. Gallegos reviewed the elementary serving schedule and reported some transportation personnel signed up to eat with students who do not have a guest(s). Ms. Daves touched on the student participation increase; noting the availability/promoting/preparation of the salad bar and the buffet/continental style serving of breakfast has contributed to the rise in numbers. Superintendent Sena-Holton mentioned the allocation of

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additional state funding for nutrition provides support to sustain the program. She conveyed menu items and activities correspond with the average, low and high numbers reported for the month.

Ms. Davies defined the SPED acronyms.

Elementary

Ms. Gallegos reported the Santa Fe Chamber of Music Presentations were successful and pointed out the enjoyment of the kids. She clarified the PK 3&4 enrollment, announcing Pre-K is full at thirty students. She mentioned the addition of a Professional Development training for the month, an overview of the behavioral intervention plan process. Ms. Gallegos remarked on the Student Behavior referral reported. She mentioned the malfunction of the intercom system. Superintendent Sena-Holton stated she will follow up on the quote received for the system. Ms. Gallegos noted the PTO Meeting has been rescheduled.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

BUSINESS REPORT

FINANCIAL STATUS

Mr. Gowan Hays, K 12 Accounting Business Manger expressed the pleasure of meeting everyone in person. He reviewed the Budget Adjustment Request(s)-BAR's recommended for approval. He invited any questions regarding the check listing and Purchase Order Report. Mr. Hays summarized the Cash Balances, discussed the Activity & Athletic Activity Report, gave an overview of the Revenue Report and briefed on the various reports included in the Financial Report provided.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Based on Superintendent Sena-Holton's recommendation, President Barrens moved to approve the Check Register for the Month of October 2024, BAR'(s) #4, Journal Entries, Minutes of Regular Board Meeting-September 17, 2024 and Minutes of Work Session-November 5, 2024, seconded by Secretary Roybal. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Sena-Holton made aware of a driver who did not/could not report for the 2nd round of drug testing, mentioned the reasoning and informed a verification letter was provided. She confirmed the three new buses were delivered, touched on the installation of cameras and Zonar Systems, a GPS Tracking System and informed the electric bus is back in the shop for an inoperable heater. She touched on the NOVA 40 Day Reporting; pointed out an issue with PowerSchool uploads, mentioned a formal request was submitted for the reopening of the Data Adjustment Dashboard (DAD) and reported the number of certifications needed for completion. Superintendent Sena-Holton discussed the intent of NMPED to unify applications for all Federal Programs for the next school year. She notified about issues with the door project. She mentioned an interview was conducted for the Spanish position.

POLICY

- 1st Reading-Cell Phone/Communication Device Policy

President Barrens presented points of concern.

ACTION ITEM(S)

None

OTHER


Vice President Garcia requested an agenda item, FEMA Discussion for the Work Session.

ADVANCE PLANNING

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ADJOURNMENT

At 7:16 p.m., Secretary Roybal moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice President Garcia. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0. Minutes approved and signed on this 21st of January 2025.



GRADY BARRENS, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:



CLAUDETTE ROYBAL, SECRETARY