

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
The Board of Education
Gallup McKinley County Schools
October 28, 2019**

A Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Gallup McKinley County Schools was held October 28, 2019, beginning at 6:00 PM in the cafeteria of Tohatchi Elementary School, 100 Chuska Road, Tohatchi, NM 87325.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charles Long, President - Absent
Christopher Mortensen, Vice President - Absent
Michael W. Schaaf, Secretary
Priscilla Manuelito, Member
Kevin Mitchell, Member

NEWS MEDIA PRESENT:

Cody Begaye, Gallup Sun

GUESTS

Cynthia Smiley
Lewis Benally
Samantha Mitchel
Amanda Mitchel
Rebekah Nez
Vanessa Duckett
Orlinda Charleston
Mary Plummer
Sonja Charleston
Ron Nakai
Ardele Bitsilly
Brenda Begay
Carmen Moffett

Ashley Ryan
Bryce Miller
Christina Miller
Chris Miller
Treva Descheene
Ashley Watson
Herman Denetdale
James Maiorano
Stephanie Tsosie
Steven Nelson
Robin Holder
Tamara Allison
Andrea Thomas

Betty Heidenreich
Debra Dirksen
Elvira Mitchell
Mary Ann Sherman
Merle Bates
Alray Nelson
Shanayah Piano
Toney Morrison
Roger Beyal
Thelma Beyal
Meranda Laughter
John Brooks

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Hyatt, Superintendent
Pauletta White, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services
Jvanna Hanks, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
Tim Bond, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services
Gerald Horacek, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction
Joan Nez, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - ROLL CALL

Michael Schaaf, acting in the capacity of the president called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 28, 2019, in the cafeteria of Tohatchi Elementary School, 100 Chuska Road, Tohatchi, NM 87325. (Three board members were present for roll call: Michael Schaaf, Priscilla Manuelito and Kevin Mitchell)
Priscilla Manuelito was appointed secretary for the meeting tonight.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Priscilla Manuelito moved and Kevin Mitchell second to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes)

a. Recognition (Student, Staff and Other)

- I. Board Scholar Awards: Chee Dodge, Crownpoint schools, Navajo schools, Tohatchi schools, Tse Yi Gai High, and Twin Lakes

Dr. Ashley Ryan presented board scholar awards. Students getting ELA awards are Brooke Badonie, Destiny Begay, Langham Bitsoi, Sonja Charleston, Alyssa Livingston, Bryce Miller, Samantha Mitchel, Amy Mitchell, Olmide Ramoni, Leah Robinson, Chauntae Scott, Darian Tsosie, Micah Tsosie and Calista Vicenti-Bradley. The two students getting Math awards are Aidan Benally and Angelo Rios. Mike Hyatt thanked the students, teachers and parents as the exams are difficult for the students to take.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kevin Mitchell moved and Priscilla Manuelito second the minutes of the Board of Education regular meeting of October 7, 2019 be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes)

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Priscilla Manuelito moved and Kevin Mitchell second the consent agenda items be approved as presented. (4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 4e) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes)

- A. Financial Section - CONSENT
 - 1. 2019-2020 Budget Decrease
 - 2. 2019-2020 Budget Increase
 - 3. 2019-2020 Budget Adjustment Requests (Intra-Transfers)
 - 4. 2019-2020 Budget Adjustment Requests (Inter-Transfers)
 - 5. Current Bills - Operational, Federal Projects, Food Services, Other
- B. Approval of Request for "How School Leadership Practices Support Learning Opportunities of Elementary Native American English Learners in Northwestern New Mexico: A Case Study dissertation - CONSENT
- C. Approval of the GO library allocations for GMCS public school libraries - CONSENT
- D. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Western New Mexico School of Education and Gallup McKinley County Schools – CONSENT
- E. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between GMCS and Presbyterian Medical Services for Gallup Teen School-Based Health Center at GHS for School Year 2019-2020 - CONSENT

***4. 2019-2020 BUDGET INCREASE**

It is recommended that the following 2019-2020 Budget Increase be approved.

Fund	2703	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	Dual Credit Instructional Materials	\$	\$99,002	\$ 99,002	2019-2020 Increase
Fund	2707	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	2018 GOB Library	\$ 34,128	\$149,318	\$ 183,446	2019-2020 Increase
Fund	31200	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	Public School Capital Outlay	\$	\$17,474	\$ 17,474	2019-2020 Increase
Fund	31400	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	Special Capital Outlay -State	\$ 712,000	\$23,750	\$ 735,750	2019-2020 Increase

***4. 2019-2020 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS (INTRA-TRANSFERS)-Same Function**

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	LOCATION	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
Operational -Site Base (11000)				
Software	MGR Furn/Fix/Equip	\$ 2,795	Business	Stagecoach Elementary transfer for Xerox maintenance renewal.
Other Text Books	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 1,000	Business	Catherine Miller Elementary transfer to purchase classroom technology.
Other Text Books	General Supplies & Materials	\$ 5,000	Business	Thoreau Mid transfer to purchase supplies.
Software	General Supplies & Materials	\$ 7,500	Business	Thoreau Mid transfer to purchase supplies.
Fixed Assets >\$5,000	MGR Furn/Fix/Equip	\$ 5,000	Business	Gallup Mid transfer of funds to repair equipment.
Emp. Travel Non Teacher(2600)	Emp. Travel Non Teacher (21000)	\$ 800	Business	Ramah High transfer of funds for charges for Liaison travel.
Total:		\$ 22,095		
Operational-Science (11000)				
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 794	Business	Crownpoint High transfer of funds to order supplies for the science classroom.
MGR Furn/Fix/Equip	General Supplies & Materials	\$ 750	Business	Gallup Central High transfer of funds to order supplies for the science classroom.
Total:		\$ 1,544		
Operational-Athletics/Activities (11000)				
Emp. Travel Non Teacher	Professional Development	\$ 50	Business	Tse Yi Gai transfer of funds for professional development membership fee.

		\$	50		
Elementary School Festivals (1000)					
General Supplies & Materials	Other Contract Services	\$	2,300	Business	Lincoln Elementary transfer of funds to purchase meals for culture night.
Total:		\$	2,300		
Transportation(13000)					
Diesel Fuel	Gasoline	\$	10,000	Transportation	To provide funding to adjust budget to actual.
Diesel Fuel	General Supplies & Materials	\$	10,000	Transportation	To provide funding to adjust budget to actual.
Diesel Fuel	Lubricants/Anti Freeze	\$	5,000	Transportation	To provide funding to adjust budget to actual.
Diesel Fuel	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	10,000	Transportation	To provide funding to adjust budget to actual.
Total:		\$	35,000		
Title I (2410)					
Professional Development	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	9,279	Business	Thoreau High transfer of funds to purchase computers.
Supply Assets <\$5,000	Professional Development	\$	10,675	Business	Tohatchi High transfer of funds for Professional Development for Teachers.
Supply Assets <\$5,000	General Supplies & Materials	\$	380	Business	Chee Dodge Elementary transfer of funds to purchase headphones for students.
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	2,026	Business	Navajo Pine High School transfer of funds to purchase computers for students.
Professional Development	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	3,182	Business	Navajo Mid School transfer of funds to purchase computers for students.
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	288	Business	Navajo Mid School transfer of funds to purchase computers for students.
Student Travel	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	1,000	Business	Navajo Mid School transfer of funds to purchase computers for students.
Health/Medical Premium	General Supplies & Materials	\$	10,394	Jefferson	To provide funding to purchase supplies for the classroom.
Dental	General Supplies & Materials	\$	719	Jefferson	To provide funding to purchase supplies for the classroom.
Vision	General Supplies & Materials	\$	119	Jefferson	To provide funding to purchase supplies for the classroom.
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	702	Business	Navajo Pine High transfer of funds to purchase computers for students.
Supply Assets <\$5,000	Additional Compensation	\$	250	Business	Gallup Central High transfer of funds to adjust budget.
Additional Compensation	Education Retirement	\$	71	Business	Adjusting budget to actual.
Additional Compensation	FICA Payments	\$	27	Business	Adjusting budget to actual.
Other Text Books	LIFE	\$	1	Business	Adjusting budget to actual.
Supply Assets <\$5,000	Professional Development	\$	3,649	Business	To provide funding for Kagan Professional Development training for Staff.
Professional Development	Student Travel	\$	3,000	Business	Tohatchi High transfer of funds for College Readiness trip to various colleges.
Supply Assets <\$5,000	General Supplies & Materials	\$	312	Business	Thoreau Mid transfer of funds to purchase classroom sets and books.
Total:	General Supplies & Materials	\$	1,136	Business	Thoreau Mid transfer of funds to purchase classroom sets and books.
		\$	47,210		
GRADS Instruction (28190)					
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	5,500	Business	Gallup Central High transfer of funds to purchase items for daycare program.
Total:		\$	5,500		
Pra K Initiative (27149)					
Vision	Dental	\$	1,142	SSS	Adjust budget to actual.
Professional Development	General Supplies & Materials	\$	550	Jefferson	To provide funding to purchase classroom materials.
Total:		\$	1,692		

***4.2019-2020 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS (INTER-TRANSFERS)-Different Function**

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	LOCATION	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
Operational -Site Base (11000)				
General Supplies & Materials(2400)	Other Contract Services (1000)	\$ 388	Business	Thoreau High transfer of funds to pay for PSAT.
Operational -Site Base (11000) cont.				
FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	LOCATION	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
General Supplies & Materials(2600)	General Supplies & Mats (1000)	\$ 7,000	Business	Red Rock Elementary transfer of funds to purchase supplies & materials.
		\$ 7,388		

STUDY CIRCLE**A. Public Comment**

Rebekah Nez spoke as a parent, not a political figure. She spoke on events that occurred at the high school (shots heard); the parents were not inform of any details from the administration and school board. Also experiencing her McKinley Academy student is not being included in the school district.

Brenda Begay wanted an update on Johnson O'Malley and Indian Education Committee. In addition, she is requesting to re-route bus drop off point for her grandchild in Mexican Springs area, the child was attack by neighborhood dogs. She has left messages for Jeff Bond, Transportation but no return call on her concerns.

Andrea Thomas spoke on activity buses hoping that rural schools will receive new activity buses, the security issues from the recent activity, encourage the parents to attend board meetings and poor ventilation in the gymnasium now that basketball season is upon us.

B. Reports**I. Superintendent Report****a. Alray Nelson - Teach For America**

Alray Nelson provided a written update. Teach for America is a non-profit organization and is expanding partnership in the state and with tribal leaders and other school districts. The strategic priorities are ensuring financial sustainability, find promising leaders, impact schools and students, develop systems-change leaders and foster collective leadership. Currently there are 364 teachers with an 18-year partnership. The board supports Teach for America corporate members and teachers. Superintendent Hyatt support Teach for American and will seek restoring state funds.

Mike Hyatt recognized Twin Lakes Elementary and Tohatchi Mid School, the state assessment growth in ELA and Math for school year 2018-2019. Also reported Tohatchi High School received new bleachers, the old teacherages are torn down and eight (8) new teacherages will be built. Currently the teachers are living rent and utilities free. The athletic track will be resurface with throwing pits installed. A new parent-student community center will be set up. A new Tohatchi High School will be build designed with students remaining in the building at all times for safety reasons. Elementary students will receive one to one electronic devices and laptops for middle school students. Lastly, the district received funding to pay of the teacherage debt and additional funds for capital projects.

James Maiorano, Undersheriff, McKinley County Sheriff, address the parents in attendance at the meeting. There is not a final report on Tohatchi High School situation. We all learned from the situation, the local and state safety protocol was followed and is constantly updated. Relocate is a new language we need to learn, the situation is portrayed as an active shooter on campus. At the same time, the lights went out and it was raining. There is nothing that has been swept under the rug; everyone involved had to be careful what to release and not release. The gunshot was from a police officers' gun, not an active shooter. Several security issues has increased, a security officer is on duty during the daytime and nighttime. Active Shooter Training has happened on September 10, September 20, and September 23, 2019. The trainings will continue throughout the school district. The situation was improperly call an active shooter, the shot did not come from an assailant, the shot fired was heard but there was no active shooter, it is a complicated situation. The FBI has the investigation cap to release any information. The school district has provided the phone numbers and floor plans, the trainings and access to the building sites, which has worked very well.

Mike Hyatt thanked the sheriff department, other law enforcement agencies, the parents, the students, staff, and administration. The board will continue making changes installing cameras, door security, fencing, and walkie-talkies ensuring safety. Future buildings will be design with safety.

The board appreciates the communication and supports the safety drills and other safety measures with the students foremost in mind.

2. Board Reports (Meetings, Conventions, Conferences, Training Sessions)

Kevin Mitchell spoke on the reversal of increasing rent to free rent for teachers is phenomenal to retain teachers.

Priscilla Manuelito attended NIEA Conference, the primary focus on safety, the indigenous curriculum and strong support on Impact Aid at the meetings.

3. Notices and Communication

- a. November 3, 2019 - Daylight Savings Time Ends
- b. November 5, 2019 - 2019 McKinley County Local Election
- c. November 11, 2019 - Veterans Day
- d. November 18, 2019 - Board Meeting
- e. November 25-29, 2019 - Thanksgiving Break

f. December 5-7, 2019 - NMSBA Annual Convention

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval of a one-time retention addenda to all GMCS employees in the amount of \$500.00 (will exclude the Superintendent) - ACTION

Priscilla Manuelito and Kevin Mitchell fully supports the addenda. The roll out will be on November 29, 2019.

Priscilla Manuelito moved and Kevin Mitchell second to approve the Approval of a one-time retention addenda to all GMCS employees for \$500.00 (will exclude the Superintendent) as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes)

- B. Approval to seek funds to begin a new "Virtual School" in Gallup-McKinley County School District for the 2020-21 School Year - ACTION

Mike Hyatt discuss to improve graduation rates, start an on-line school for students who may not function well in a classroom setting and provide opportunity for rural schools on certain subject area(s). It is a lot of work but it will help many students who otherwise may not receive the education.

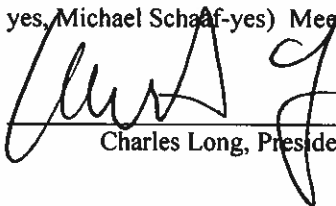
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- C. Approval to pursue feasibility studies and seek funding to build a new school building for Red Rock Elementary and Tohatchi High School - ACTION

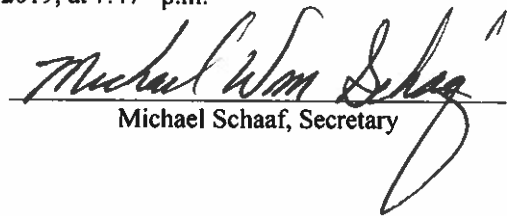
Priscilla Manuelito moved and Kevin Mitchell second to approve the Approval to pursue feasibility studies and seek funding to build a new school building for Red Rock Elementary and Tohatchi High School as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes)

ADJOURN

There being no further business Kevin Mitchell moved and Priscilla Manuelito second the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes) Meeting adjourned on Monday, October 28, 2019, at 7:47 p.m.



 Charles Long, President



 Michael Schaaf, Secretary

Recorded by
Joan Nez
October 28, 2019