

LAS VEGAS CITY SCHOOLS  
“BOARD OF EDUCATION”  
Special Board Meeting

May 21, 2024

A Special Board Meeting of the Las Vegas City Schools Board of Education was held at the Administrative Building located at 901 Douglas Avenue, Las Vegas, New Mexico 87701 at 5:15 pm on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 2024.

A quorum was present: the meeting was called to order by Board President Quintana. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the New Mexico Pledge. Those present were as follows:

ROLL CALL: Board President Quintana called for roll call:

- Board President Quintana – Present
- Board Vice President Gonzales – Present
- Board Secretary Dr. Meserve – Present
- Board Member Cordova – Present
- Board Member Romero - Present

ALSO PRESENT: Associate Superintendent Darlene Ulibarri, Acting Superintendent Dr. Barbara Casey

Public in attendance: Mari Hillis, Elaine Martinez Gonzales, Ida Sue Gonzales, Martha Pena, John Tiernan, Thomas P. Trujillo, Karen Archuleta, Lisa Guerin

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Board Vice President Gonzales made a motion to approve the agenda for today, May 21, 2024, seconded by board secretary Dr. Meserve. Motion carried 5-0

NEW BUSINESS: Finance

- A. Discussion / Action: 2024-2025 Proposed budget – M. Hillis  
Changes in the budget from last Monday include: 5 days of furlough for directors, reducing the FTE for the associate superintendent, also a reduction of two other FTE, there were some other minor changes in formula, so the request for emergency supplemental went from \$2.2 million to \$1.6 million. A meeting is scheduled for tomorrow with PED, and they are going to inform us how best to proceed for this year and next year. Motion made not approve budget due to many uncertainties, and PED pending input, motion to not approve budget passed with a 4-1 vote.

- B. Presentation / Discussion / Action: Donations (Cash/Property) – M. Hillis  
The committee reviewed the list of donations and would like to recommend board approval of all donations detailed on the attached.

Donations list:

Teacher Appreciation	\$1500.00	RHS golf	\$200.00
Total of	\$1,700.00		

Motion made by Mr. Gonzales, second by Dr. Meserve, motion carried 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The board of education will convene in closed session pursuant to the follow matters:

- A. pursuant to NMSA section 10-15-1 (H)(2) limited personnel matters: evaluation and review of acting superintendent.
- B. pursuant to NMSA section 10-15-1(H)(2) and (7), limited personnel matters and attorney client privilege, pertaining to threatened or pending litigation. evaluation, review, assessment of licensed administrator’s complaints; assessment of licensed administrator’s allege misconduct and or unsatisfactory performance, review, discussion and evaluation of licensed administrator’s contract.
- C. pursuant to NMSA section 10-15-1(H)(2), limited personnel matters, if necessary, review and assessment of acting or interim superintendent candidates.

Action items after Executive Session:

- A. Possible discussion and action regarding contract extension/ non-extension of licensed administrator  
Board will issue a letter to superintendent indicating that the board will not be offering a new contract for employment the 2024-2025 school year.  
Motion by Mr. Gonzales, Dr. Meserve seconded, passed 4-1 vote
  
- B. If necessary, possible discussion and action regarding potential process and timeline for selection of acting or interim superintendent  
The LVCS Board of Education will officially open up the position of superintendent for the school year 2024-2025, motion made by Mr. Gonzales, Dr. Meserve seconded, passed 3-2 vote.  
Second motion to start application process on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, close on June 5<sup>th</sup>, review applicants and conduct interviews on June 7<sup>th</sup>, motion made by Mr. Romero, seconded by Mr. Gonzales, passed 5-0 vote.  
Third motion position to be posted: local paper, including the optic, the New Mexican, the Albuquerque Journal, NM Association website, School Board Association website, the Superintendent Association website, and our local cybercardinal website, motion made by Mr. Quintana, seconded by Mr. Gonzales, passed 5-0 vote.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Board Member Romero to adjourn, seconded by Board Vice President Gonzales.  
Motion passed 5-0, adjourned at 7:34 pm.

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