

**HATCH VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING (via Zoom)
December 9, 2020**

Board Members Present:

Greg Mitchell, Elva Garay, Chris Montez, Lupe Castillo and Merlinda Hinojos
(via zoom)

Board Members Absent - N/A

School Personnel Present:

Superintendent Chavez, Sheila Offutt, Andrew Campbell, Dr. Toni Hull, Ben Trujillo, Carla Moffat, Shara Montoya, Audra Bluehouse, and Elsa Ramirez

Call to Order at 6:01 pm by Board President Mitchell

Pledge of Allegiance

1. **A. Approval of Agenda**

Action: Vice President Garay made a motion to approve, seconded by Member Hinojos
Voice Vote: Mitchell: YES, Garay: YES, Montez: YES, Castillo: YES, Hinojos: YES
Motion Carried

B. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of November 18, 2020

Action: Vice President Garay made a motion to approve, seconded by Secretary Montez
Voice Vote: Mitchell: YES, Garay: YES, Montez: YES, Castillo: YES, Hinojos: YES
Motion Carried

2. **Reports**

A. Superintendent Report

- **Operations** - A change was made to all the essential workers' work schedules (custodians, maintenance, grounds, cooks and bus drivers); they will be off on Wednesdays, working 4 days a week.
- **Instruction**- Audra Bluehouse reported students progress, the District started with a 78% failure rate and currently we are at 47%. Contributing to the difference was that the grading scale and the workload for both students and teachers have been changed. The daily attendance rate is at 95% and chronic absenteeism is at 5% rate.

Dr. Toni Hull continues to provide encouragement and support to teachers and principals.

- **COVID-19 update** - NMPED is rolling out a new program called a VAULT Program: All schools that have students on campus (for the hybrid instructional model, for full re-entry (when allowed), for special education small group instruction, for athletics or for other purposes) will have staff that regularly visit the campus participate in 10% weekly surveillance testing (saliva-based testing). At this time the

District is not in a position to move forward with students physically attending school.

3. Limited Public Forum - Michelle Rincon, Program Specialist for Center for Health Innovation informed the Board the programs they offer.
4. Approval of Financials
 - A. Approval of November 2020 Bills
Action: Vice President Garay made a motion to approve, seconded by Member Castillo.
Voice Vote: Mitchell: YES, Garay: YES, Montez: YES, Castillo: YES, Hinojos: YES
Motion Carried
 - B. Approval of Budget Adjustments Requests/Transfers/Cash Requests
Fund 24101 - Title I - \$75,492.32
Fund 24153 - Title II - \$60,547.22
Maintenance BARS: Funds 11000; 13000
Action: Vice President Garay made a motion to approve, seconded by Secretary Montez
Voice Vote: Mitchell: YES, Garay: YES, Montez: YES, Castillo: YES, Hinojos: YES
Motion Carried
5. Unfinished Business
 - A. Approval of the NMSBA Policy Service Advisory #209 Extracurricular Activity Eligibility - Ben Trujillo, Athletic Director informed the Board the changes to the policy. A discussion was held.
Action: Secretary Montez made a motion to approve, seconded by Member Castillo
Voice Vote: Mitchell: YES, Garay: YES, Montez: YES, Castillo: YES, Hinojos: YES
Motion Carried
6. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Update on Grades & Attendance
Update COVID- 19
7. Executive Session
Action: Board President Mitchell made a motion NOT to go into executive session, seconded by Secretary Montez
Voice Vote: Mitchell: YES, Garay: YES, Montez: YES, Castillo: YES, Hinojos: YES
Motion Carried
8. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at HVPS Central Office
9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be conducted, Board President Mitchell called for a motion to adjourn.
Action: Vice President Garay made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Secretary Montez.
Voice Vote: Mitchell: YES, Garay: YES, Montez: YES, Castillo: YES, Hinojos: YES
Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm.

The above minutes are a true and correct reflection of the Board of Education's regular meeting on December 9, 2020.

AFFIRMATION:



Greg Mitchell, Board President

ATTEST:



Chris Montez, Board Secretary