NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
November 17, 2020
District Administration Building
6:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the District Administration Office was called to order at 6:30 pm by Joseph Baroz, President

ROLL CALL
Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell, absent; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

A moment of silence for Tanner Bagwell. The board and Mr. Wilson appreciate his service to the school community and will greatly miss him as a NCSD board member.

PREDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA/CHANGES TO CONSENT AGENDA
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell, absent; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell, absent; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

Principals Reports
See attached reports.

BOCES Report
Brandon Thomas reported that the BOCES board will meet tomorrow night, October 18, 2020.

NCEA Report
No report

Administration Report
Mr. Wilson told board members that the Colorado School Finance Project has come out with a report ranking teachers' salaries in Colorado. Mr. Wilson will mail the hand out to board members.

CHS football team is in the first round of play off this weekend.

Chromebooks have come in and they are being checked out to students through the school's libraries. This will be beneficial to all district students. There are a number of good providers in our area that are making reasonable offers to families concerning connecting to the internet.

The Board will need to look over policy and go forward with replacing Tanner Bagwell's seat on the board at next month's board meeting. We will miss Tanner and his service to our NCSD community.

Student assessments are being discussed at the state level. Assessments will not count towards our accreditation. Mr. Wilson will be requesting a good accreditation for North Conejos School District as he has done in past years.

There have been many in our community stepping up and helping kids and families in our district for the Thanksgiving holiday.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

BEST Update

Andy Fiamengo with DCS updated the board on the progress of the new CHS building. An activity summary report was given to the board. DPS has been working with the District and DCS since mid-January 2020. Bradbury Stamm Construction presented the guaranteed maximum price proposal on September 3, 2020. The proposal was reviewed by DCS and DPS and amendment #2 was added to the contract for the GMP in the sum of $22,940,308 by BSC and was ratified by the board on October 2, 2020. Along with the GMP, several alternates were presented and will be decided on in the coming weeks. Construction progress in the last 30 days includes the removal of asphalt parking lot and Over-Ex, re-compaction and soil preparation for building foundations and building pad. The next 30 day activities include continued over-ex, re-compaction and soil preparation for building foundations and building pad, foundation construction, and forming foundations for footings. The asbestos RFP was published, and proposals were received. At this time, due to timing and pricing a new RFP will be published and DCS is going to pursue going back to the abatement market for new proposals for asbestos abatement.

COVID Plan for December/2nd Semester

Conejos County is in Orange status as of today. COVID in the district is mostly affecting teachers, administrators, and substitutes. Our plan is to keep elementary schools running and secondary schools will be in remote learning until after Thanksgiving break. Mr. Wilson will touch base with the board next week. He will see where we are with COVID numbers and will make a decision on how we finish the first semester. He asks the board for their input. If Conejos County goes to Red status, we will probably go remote until January. We will just have to wait and see where our numbers are. We will make the best decision we can at the end of the week. CHSAA will adjust as necessary concerning high school basketball and wrestling seasons. We will wait and see what is decided concerning the next sports seasons for high school and middle school.

Title IX Training

All administrators have recently been trained in Title IX. Mr. Wilson felt this was necessary since we are a small close district. SIDSIP training is going on now with Title IX. Administrators have talked with staff on appropriate talk and actions to prevent Title IX issues.

ACTION ITEMS

Policy Update DJB, DJE, GBEB, GBI, GCE/GCF-R, GDE/GDF-R, IKF, IKF-2, IKF-2-E, JEB, JLCDB, LJCDB-E for the 1st Reading

A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to approve the first reading for policies DJB, DJE, GBEB, GBI, GCE/GCR-R, GDE/GDF-R, IKF, IKF-2, IKF-2-E, JEB, JLCDB, LJCDB-E, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell absent; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
No executive session needed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Next regular board of education meeting will be Tuesday December 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.