

**LOS LUNAS SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 23, 2024**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Osowski called the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education meeting to order at 6:02 pm and welcomed those who were participating in the board meeting in person and those who were watching the board meeting via livestreaming on YouTube. She asked that anyone addressing the Board use the microphone at the podium and to be sure to identify themselves for the record. Dr. Osowski added that, as a reminder, the link to the meeting was on the District's webpage, under the Board of Education page. She stated that the streaming would run through the end of the meeting. In the event there was a disruption in the audio portion, she would pause the meeting until it was reestablished.

LLS Board Members Present: Dr. Michelle Osowski, President
Monica Otero, Vice President
Justin Talley, Secretary
Bruce Bennett, Member
P. David Vickers, Member

Administrators Present: Dr. Ryan Kettler, Superintendent
Brian G. Baca, Deputy Superintendent
Andrew Saiz, Chief Personnel Officer
Sandy Traczyk, Chief Finance Officer
Jessica Montaña, Interim Chief Academic Officer
Miranda Baca, Dir. of Finance
Carlos Castillo, Business Office Supervisor
Suzy Chavez, Dir. of Professional Learning
Karla Dow, Dir. of Assessment Innovations and Accountability
Wilson Holland, Dir. of Athletics
Tiffany McMinn, Dir. of Maintenance/Construction
Michelle Romero, Dir. of Purchasing
Albert Aragon, Principal, Valencia High School
Michaela Coffin, Assistant Principal, Valencia Middle School
Teri Gough, Principal, Katherine Gallegos Elementary
Paul Carder, Asst. Principal, Valencia High School
Jennifer Otero, Asst. Principal, Valencia High School
Chelsea Servantes, Asst. Principal, Valencia High School

A. CALL TO ORDER (Continued)

Others Present: Approximately 20 - 25 additional individuals were in attendance.
A range of 28 - 30 individuals watched via live streaming.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- **Jonathan Duran - Valencia Middle School and Jovanny Maldonado – Valencia High School**

Students Jonathan Duran from Valencia Middle School, and Jovanny Maldonado from Valencia High School, led the audience in the Pledge.

2. ASCERTAIN QUORUM

- **Dr. Michelle Osowski, Board President**
- **Monica Otero, Board Vice President**
- **Justin Talley, Board Secretary**
- **P. David Vickers, Board Member**
- **Bruce Bennett, Board Member**

Dr. Osowski had the Executive Assistant called for a roll call of the board members. It was noted that all board members were in attendance.

B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING

Dr. Osowski asked Dr. Kettler to announce the meeting.

Dr. Kettler reported the meeting had been announced in accordance with the NM Open Meetings Act and LLS Open Meetings Resolution, and was a legally constituted meeting of the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education.

C. EXECUTIVE: APPROVAL OF PRIORITIZED AGENDA

Dr. Osowski announced that took them to Item #C. EXECUTIVE: APPROVAL OF PRIORITIZED AGENDA. She asked Dr. Kettler if there were any changes or deletions to the agenda. Dr. Kettler said he had no changes.

Mr. Bennett moved, and Mr. Talley seconded, to approve the agenda as submitted. Dr. Osowski asked if there was any discussion. There being none, she called for a vote with the following results: Mr. Vickers - yes; Ms. Otero – yes; Mr. Talley – yes; Mr. Bennett - yes; and Dr. Osowski - yes. The motion to approve the prioritized agenda as submitted: 5/0.

D. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS' REPORTS: Dr. Ryan Kettler, Superintendent (Discussion/Informational)

1. Recognition: NMAA State Power Lifting Champion - Elijah Duran, Valencia High School: Wilson Holland, Director of Athletics

Dr. Kettler invited the District's Athletic Director, Wilson Holland to recognize their most recent state champion.

Mr. Holland thanked the board members and Superintendent Kettler. He stated that it was always a special time for him to have the opportunity to be in front of them to recognize their student athletes because that was what they were there for – the kids. This was the first year of competitive powerlifting for Los Lunas Schools and they were very proud of both of our schools for their efforts. He stated that they would like to recognize a great young man, Elijah Duran, from Valencia High School, that night. Elijah won the State Championship in the inaugural season of Powerlifting in the State. Elijah would be in the record books as the first Powerlifting Champion in the State of New Mexico at 178 wt. class. He earned 1,285.00 total points and lifted 242 lbs. They were all very proud of him and all his hard work.

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With his weighted 3.4 grade point average, Elijah definitely put the student in athletes. Elijah represented not only Valencia High School, but the entire district. Mr. Holland said he knew that teachers got a hard time sometimes, and some people would say schools were failing, but they were not feeling that here – they had some great kids. Mr. Holland thanked Elijah's parents for raising such a wonderful young man.

Elijah was presented with a certificate commemorating his success at State, after which the board members individually commended Elijah on his accomplishment.

2. Student Representative Report: Jovanny Maldonado, Valencia High School

Dr. Kettler invited Jovanny to speak to them about Valencia High School. Jovanny thanked Dr. Kettler and the board members for allowing him to speak to them about Valencia High School this evening.

Throughout his four years at Valencia High School, Jovanny said that he had grown to love the school and everything it had to offer. This school had provided him with many great opportunities and had given him the ability to work on reaching his full potential by challenging him through rigorous courses. He'd been able to challenge himself, and maintain his GPA of 4.178. VHS had also provided him with many experiences and positions that he never thought he would have had. He was the current Vice President of Valencia's National Honor Society Chapter and had been able to give back to the community, he played on the soccer team from 8th to 12th grade, and was a current member of their newly established Powerlifting Team. He had also had the privilege of being nationally recognized by the College Board through the National Hispanic Recognition Program. Just recently, he was also selected as a finalist for the Daniel's Scholarship and was recently notified that he had been awarded the scholarship. It had been an exciting four years.

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**2. Student Representative Report: Jovanny Maldonado, Valencia High School
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Each student at VHS was provided with a fair, positive, and fun learning environment where they could be themselves and take early steps to reach their full potential. With that, he would like to update them about the things that were happening at Valencia High School now that they were entering the final phase of the school year. Currently, all of the spring sports were active. Boys baseball, girls softball, and boys and girls tennis were competing, gearing up to district games. Track season was also in full effect, and they hoped to have a good season with their runners and their participants in the field events. The last sport that was currently ongoing was Powerlifting. Powerlifting had a great season, with 17 of the lifters qualifying for the state meet, including him, with the first ever Powerlifting Champion and the boys and girls teams were doing great as a collective. This was only our first official season as a team, but this season has come with a lot of success and learning, and the team only hopes to grow and get better with time. Their coaches, Coach Lopez and Coach Clifton had been doing a great job at managing and training the lifters so they could compete at the state level. As they'd just learned, Elijah Duran won in his division and was the first VHS and LLS Athlete to do so in Powerlifting.

Aside from the Sports, the spring season came with many events and was typically a very busy time of year. The Juniors took their SAT and the state science exam. The seniors were slowly beginning to prepare for graduation as they recently received their caps and gowns and were preparing for the robing ceremony. All students were also getting ready for the academic award ceremony. Election season was also in full effect, and candidates were running for their class council positions and some were running for Student Body positions.

On April 25th, they would be hosting their annual Fiesta de Valencia, which is a showcase of their community and the many things that can be found at Valencia. On April 27th, prom will be held at the National Museum of Nuclear Science and History in Albuquerque with the theme being A Night to Remember.

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Their Senior Class Council had also been planning the Senior Fun Day and was making sure that their last year at this school can end on a fun, positive note.

Lastly, Jovanny said he would like to acknowledge the people who encourage me the most, his family – his parents and his brothers - who had been role models and who had been with me for all his life and had been providing him with constant support. Gracias a ustedes por todo lo que hacen.

Jovanny stated that as his time VHS was slowly coming to its end, he was proud to have been a Jaguar, and he was happy with the experience he'd had at Valencia High School.

Discussion ensued during which the board members commended Jovanny on his successful high school career, his many accomplishments in both academics, school activities and leadership, as well as, his academic success. He was further commended on his school choice for college. The board members individually wished him the very best in his future career path. Jovanny's parents were thanked for trusting the District with their son to shepherd him through this era of his life.

3. School Reports

i. Michaela Coffin, Asst. Principal, Valencia Middle School

Dr. Kettler introduced Michaela Coffin, the Valencia Middle School Assistant Principal. He noted that she had just been named as the new principal of Valencia Middle School, replacing Ms. Carter, who had announced her retirement. He then invited Ms. Coffin to talk to them about Valencia Middle School.

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i. Michaela Coffin, Asst. Principal, Valencia Middle School

Ms. Coffin thanked the board members and Dr. Kettler for allowing her to speak to them that evening about Valencia Middle School. She acknowledged her staff, and then gave the following report on her school.

Students have access to a robust, rigorous, and complete curriculum, grade level standards, and materials at their grade level.

At VMS, they were:

- Utilizing state standards and instructional frameworks, MidSchool Math, Amplify, and Stemsopes curriculums in all subject areas and with all students
- Integrating a school wide writing strategy, RACED, that promotes critical thinking skills and strong academic writing
- Providing opportunities for real world application and experiences with our school newspaper, The Jag Journal, brain science research, and field trips to local cultural and historic sites.

Every student uses technology as a tool for learning and creativity.

At VMS:

- Students utilize a variety of technology, in addition to their iPads, such as: VR
- Cubes, VR headsets, interactive flat panels, HAM Radio, robots, Podcasting equipment, and coding programs
- 100% of our students had the opportunity to work with our Digital Learning and Apple Professional Learning coaches to customize their iPad's accessibility features to enhance their academic learning

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Students have the opportunity to learn in multiple languages and are supported in English language development.

At VMS:

- They provide differentiated instruction that supports English language acquisition in all classes.
- Their monolingual students have access to translator earbuds and accessibility features on their iPads that support their academic learning in their native language as well as their English language acquisition.
- The MidSchool Math curriculum is available in both English and Spanish, and many of our other learning resources have additional features that provide scaffolded support for monolingual and English language learners.

Students have the opportunity to explore their future careers.

At VMS, students:

- Utilize VR simulation headsets and other tools to explore a variety of trades and careers
- Interact with and interview guest speakers and community partners from a variety of career fields and businesses, such as Meta, nutritionists, engineers, and the military
- Learn about entrepreneurship and other careers through hands-on experience, such as running our Staff Coffee Cart and the Jag Journal

Students have a staff and classrooms that support their social and emotional learning.

At VMS:

- they have a strong support network of social workers and a counselor that provide one-on-one and small group support to all students
- Students participate in SEL activities through homeroom on a weekly basis

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1. Michaela Coffin, Asst. Principal, Valencia Middle School

Students have a staff and classrooms that support their social and emotional learning. (Continued)

At VMS:

- They incorporate opportunities to strengthen our school community and culture through assemblies, dances, friendly competitions, as well as staff and student celebrations.

Outcomes Data

Between the BOY iMSSA and MOY iMSSA we see:

- An increase of 8% in the overall number of 8th grade students and 2% of 7th grade students that are On Target in Math
- An increase of 5% of 8th grade students with IEPs On Target in Math
- An increase of 5% of 8th grade students with IEPs On Target in Reading

Employees are provided professional development to improve adult and student learning.

At VMS:

- Staff are offered consistent access to both site and district professional development opportunities based on teacher input and identified student needs
- Teachers participate in instructional rounds, classroom observations, book studies, and guided intentional planning sessions through our Professional Learning Communities, with the support of our Academic Learning Coach
- Math and ELA teachers had the opportunity to professional conferences to expand their professional learning.

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3. School Reports

1. Michaela Coffin, Asst. Principal, Valencia Middle School (Continued)

Family Engagement

At VMS:

- Families have opportunities to engage by attending our summer orientation, open house, parent teacher conferences, and sporting events
- The staff utilizes multiple methods to communicate with families about student progress through remind, email, our learning platforms, student planners, and phone calls home.
- The new entrance vestibule has been installed, allowing them to secure the front gates of our campus.

Safety and Security

At VMS:

- The door and window replacement project was under way and scheduled to be completed around the start of the 24-25 school year
- They continually work with site and district staff to address concerns and enhance our existing physical structures, as well as their safety procedures and resources

Ms. Coffin was congratulated on her promotion to principal. Discussion ensued regarding various aspects of her presentation during which Ms. Coffin provided information regarding the following areas:

- **RACED** was their basis for assistance in improving their students' strength in writing. It stood for restate, answer, site, explain and demonstrate comprehension and had been highly effective.
- **VR cubes** were used to expand students' knowledge on topics being studied
- New windows and doors going in, and positive reaction to their news vestibule

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i. Michaela Coffin, Asst. Principal, Valencia Middle School

Discussion Topics

(Continued)

- Mid school math curriculum, including looking at their knowledge of math medical vocabulary, and supporting any gaps seen when they come in and as they move on through seventh and eighth grade walk-through and feedback data.
- Utilized their IBM SSA data, to look at student language proficiency scores with access, and noted they were looking at date specific only at writing. They did that that across the content area to get a holistic picture that students were able to write not only in their linkage arts class but also in the content areas. Also looked classroom formative assessments. What they looked at depended on the situation and what they were looking at i.e. looking into it as a close look - through PLCs within the math or language arts, and/or school wide.
- Dr. Osowski added her congratulations and said it was nice to see another strong female occupy that office because it was a gorgeous office.

ii. Albert Aragon, Principal, Valencia High School

Dr. Kettler introduced Valencia High School Principal, Albert Aragon, to speak to them about VHS. Mr. Aragon thanked the board members and Dr. Kettler for allowing him to speak to them that evening about VHS. He introduced his Assistant Principals: Jennifer Otero, Chelsea Servantes, and Paul Carder, then recognized their staff in attendance. Mr. Aragon, along with his assistant principals, expanded on the details of the following report on their school.

Students have access to a robust, rigorous, and complete curriculum, grade level standards, and materials at their grade level.

- Tuesday collaboration – led by Learning Innovations Coach Mr. Hays
- Department planning/meeting
- Peer observations
- Cop work regarding pacing guides, standards
- Districtwide EOC's

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3. School Reports

ii. Albert Aragon, Principal, Valencia High School

Students use technology as a tool for learning and creativity.

- JAG time – Apple strategies
- Lauren Lansford, Mike Romero training
- Student videos, announcements/communication
- Flat panel screens in all rooms teachers love them
- E-Sports

Students have the opportunity to learn in multiple languages and are supported in English language development.

- Translation earbuds used by students
- Bilingual seal pathway 9 students will receive the seal this year
- ELD 9-12 – 4 Sections
- TIWA classes

Students have the opportunity to explore their future careers.

- CTE
- Employability presentations
- Internships
- JAG TIME
- CAT Simulator
- School Links
- BE PRO BE PROUD

Students have a staff and classrooms that support their social and emotional learning.

- SEL team led by social workers and counselors
- JAG TIME – student sessions
- SEL community nights
- Sensory room

Outcomes Data

- Horizon data – BOY MOY
- NM DASH
- GOOGLE DOC – walk through
- Science testing data
- Graduation data
- Using data for student led PTC'S

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3. School Reports

ii. Albert Aragon, Principal, Valencia High School

Employees are provided professional development to improve adult and student learning.

- COPS
- Tuesday collaboration
- Peer observations

Family Engagement

- Launch Party
- New Students
- Open House
- Literacy Nights
- Registration Nights
- PTCS
- AP Night
- Fiesta de Valencia – JOIN US
- Athletic Events

Safety and Security

- Safety Plans
- Security Trainings
- RAVE
- STOPIT App.

Discussion ensued, during which the board members commended the VHS Administration on various areas that had been highlighted in their presentation including, and were expanded on the information provided in the following areas:

- Curriculum and bringing students up to level - Multiple things were used to improve their grade level curriculum, including intervention lessons and activities, use of outside sources, collaboration between teachers and other schools, as well as, problem solving, to help the student, and that included communication with parents.
- Bilingual certification and diploma seal- These were awarded to students who had met the criteria to show four years of mastery in English and in a second language, including Spanish and TEWA. This year, they were looking at 9 students to receive the special seal and next year 17.

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3. School Reports

ii. Albert Aragon, Principal, Valencia High School

Discussion

(Continued)

- Technology use - Students had a strong grasp of multiple aspects of technology – they used a mix and understood that technology was a tool. So many jobs and careers used technology so they were preparing them for the future. Of note VHS had a CAT simulator that would allow students to leave high school with a certificate and be workforce ready.
- Curriculum – They used pacing guides and followed State Standards, and, along with the adopted materials, they used supplemental methods to ensure best practices and teaching to ensure students were taught effectively.
- Staff retention - thanks given to HR Department for their ongoing assistance and it was noted they were at 90% and above retention
- Data information – Dr. Osowski stated that she would have like to have seen more data to backup up what they were doing and its effectiveness.

Mr. Aragon, his assistant principals, and staff were commended for their hard work. It was noted that their retention rate of staff was a direct reflection on the leadership of the principal.

It was noted that there was a break in the video portion of the meeting and a break was called until it was resolved.

BREAK

Dr. Osowski called for a break at 7:12 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

The board meeting was called back into Regular Session at 7:22 pm.

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4. Construction Report: Tiffany McMinn, Director of Maintenance & Construction

Dr. Kettler stated that Tiffany McMinn, the Director of Maintenance and Construction, was there to provide them with an update. Ms. McMinn discussed in detail on new and ongoing projects throughout the District including the following:

- Upcoming Projects
 - Gym Floor Coatings
 - Pre-K Canopies
 - Portable Disposal
 - RGE Kitchen Roof Replacement
- Valencia Middle School
 - Window & Door Replacement completion in July
- Peralta Elementary
 - Bradbury sends aerial view monthly. Construction on the Pre-K classrooms was continuing. The steel beams would be coming in soon. It was very exciting to see the different phases

Discussion ensued regarding the presentation and information was then provided on the following areas:

- Gym floors – The wood gym floors were redone every summer. This year there would be a full gym floor redo at LLHS. It was a very extensive process. When asked, Ms. McMinn stated that Mr. Holland would be involved to ensure the markings were in the right place.
- RGE Kitchen Roof. The award had been made. Currently, meals were prepared at another site and brought to RGE. It would not affect the RGE project as it was an emergency.
- Was their freezer inoperable, and if so, would it be sold. It was explained that the freezer was not inoperable; it was just not being used because of where the water was. Using it would have been a slip hazard and/or might have caused the door to freeze shut.
- VMS Windows and doors. They were happy it was progressing – such beautiful views and happy for the one-way window treatment.

Ms. McMinn was thanked for her report. It was noted that the item was for informational purposes only; no action was needed or warranted at that time.

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5. Budget/Finance Report: Sandy Traczyk, Chief Finance Officer

Dr. Kettler stated that next Chief Finance Officer, Sandy Traczyk was there to give them a budget and finance report. It showed that they were on track for what was budgeted.

Ms. Traczyk gave an overview of the financial reports ending March 2024 including:

Financial Reports

- Revenue - largest part from the SEG 1/12th each month
- YTD Actual Expenses and payroll - actually just checks and payroll that had gone out the door - things they were locked into paying such as contracts goes until June 30th
- YTD Expenses Plus Encumbrance - money that had gone out along with encumbrances - just a purchase orders and the balance of people's contracts.

State of Finances as of 4/16/2024 on track with what was budgeted

Funds individually and total Fund Description Totals: All accounts budget and they must stick to them unless a BAR was done. The balance remaining was the budgeted authority that they had less what they had spent.

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| • Budget Authority Amount | \$242,351,646 |
| • Spent & Obligated | \$168,594,847 |
| • Balance Remaining | \$73,756,799 |

Ms. Traczyk discussed the various funds and pointed out that they usually had two funds that would be in the negative and would be picked up by operational – the biggest one being transportation.

A brief discussion ensued during which Ms. Traczyk discussed gasoline prices, and the contract for gas with Hodges. It was noted that the amount for gas fluctuated as gas prices did the same.

There being no further questions, Ms. Traczyk was thanked for her report.

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6. Other Comments

Dr. Kettler stated that he had a couple quick items to add

- The District had received an overall Outstanding Rating for their Preventative Maintenance Plan and had exceeded statute performance elements with recognized best practices. Los Lunas Schools met 44 of the 44 preventative plan elements for an overall outstanding performance rating with no recommendation at this time. He commended Ms. McMinn and all involved in their excellent development of the plan.
- Dr. Kettler said he also wanted to mention the Next Gen Trade Fair hosted by Lowe's. It was held in the LLHS gym. Student groups shared their Capstone projects and they were amazing. Examples of the projects included:
 - One group put together resource packets, and with the help of partners such as H2 provided packets to the more than 150 families who attended fair, and in addition provided assistance in housing, medical, and job seeking.
 - Another group provided technology support to senior adults, and in fact had done such a great job, the senior center had hired them as tech support people.
 - One group had a companions project; their original intent was to sit with patients while they went through chemotherapy, but for various reasons that never came to fruition so they turned their project into students helping lonely seniors. They would go sit with lonely seniors, for example on Valentine's Day in our senior homes.

Dr. Osowski thanked Dr. Kettler for his report. She noted that the Superintendent's Report had been for informational purposes only. No action was needed or warranted at that time. She added that it had been nice to have those highlights and to see our students and staff acknowledged. She told Tiffany that she had set the bar nice and high for her colleagues and they were very proud of her.

D. BOARD COMMENDATIONS

- Dr. Osowski stated that she had just a couple of things she would like to point out. There was a young lady, Maya Gomez, who was selected for the youth ambassador for the million girls moonshot flight crew program. She was featured in the News Bulletin on March 21. She was one of the first in this area, and she thought that was pretty outstanding, so she wanted to raise her name up.
- She also wanted to thank the Valencia County Parks and Recreation who was offering some summer internships. She wanted encourage students to apply to that, and say that she appreciated their partnership with the schools.
- She also wanted to congratulate the academic award recipients in all the high schools. Those letters went out. She added congratulations to their parents as well.
- Dr. Osowski said she wanted to thank all who helped and who had attended the second annual Special Olympics held this past weekend and noted that it was nicely done. She had gotten to see terrific pictures, and knew that next year more of them would plan on being in attendance.
- She also wanted to congratulate the LLHS Tigers HOSA on their state competition. It was more of an academic then athletic competition and she was very pleased to they were well represented again and also with this particular club knowing that it was a needed profession.
- She noted that the Powerlifting Champion was the first time in state history the completion had occurred.
- Finally, although he had left because his mom wanted him to go and eat with his family which they understood, but next time they would want him a little longer, they wanted to announce that the Board had an opportunity to nominate a student for the New Mexico School Boards Association Scholarship.

She explained that one of the items that was consented was the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education Nomination of a student for consideration of one of 24 scholarships from the New Mexico school boards Association.

D. BOARD COMMENDATIONS

The purpose of the NMSBA scholarship was to promote the attainment of higher educational goals of students who demonstrated a high level of leadership, academic achievement, community involvement at extracurricular activity in high school. After consideration of applicants, the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education has submitted the name of Mr. Jovanny Maldonado from Valencia High School as their nominee. The nominations will be reviewed by the NMSBA Regional Officers with concurrence from the NMSBA Board of Directors. The scholarship awards will be announced Friday, May 21, 2024 at the NMSBA School Law Conference

Again they had Mr. Maldonado there earlier. He was an exceptional student, and they were very proud of him. They were excited and hopeful that he would be the final award recipient.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT *(In Accordance with Board Policy B-2150 Public Address to the Board)*

Dr. Osowski asked if they were individuals who had signed up to speak. Dr. Kettler replied No one had asked to speak to the Board that evening.

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

(Discussion/Action)

(Indicates Items for Consideration by Consent. There will be no discussion of these items unless a board member so requests, in which event the item may be placed on the regular agenda.)*

Dr. Osowski stated that the next item was Item G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS and called for a motion.

Mr. Vickers moved, and Mr. Bennett seconded, to approve all of the action items listed on the Consent Sheet as presented. There being no discussion, Dr. Osowski called for a vote regarding the consent items with the following results: Mr. Vickers - yes; Ms. Otero – yes; Mr. Talley – yes; Mr. Bennett - yes; and Dr. Osowski – yes. Motion regarding the consent items passed: 5/0.

H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES*

1. March 19 2024 Regular Meeting

(Approved by Consent)

I. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 24-004:

Resolution of the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education in Support of the Superintendent Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund

At Dr. Osowski's request, Dr. Kettler read the Resolution into the record.

**LOS LUNAS SCHOOLS
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RESOLUTION #24-004**

Resolution of the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education in Support of the Superintendent Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund

- WHEREAS,** the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education (the Board) is committed to maintaining the highest standards of education and ensuring the well-being and academic success of all its students; and
- WHEREAS,** the Public Education Department (PED) has proposed changes to the public school calendars and instructional hours which significantly impact the educational framework and local control of New Mexico School Districts; and
- WHEREAS,** the PED has proposed a rule for accreditation of public school districts that does not serve in the best interests of communities and schools, especially districts that have prided themselves on the academic excellence of their students, such as Los Lunas Schools; and
- WHEREAS,** there is a profound concern that these changes may lead to a loss of local control over educational decisions and undermine the unique needs and successful practices of our school district, especially in rural areas like ours; and
- WHEREAS,** the Board acknowledges the concerted efforts and strong advocacy of New Mexico Schools Superintendents, including our own, who have lobbied against these changes and are preparing to presented their objections at the public hearing and through written testimony; and

**I. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 24-004:
Resolution of the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education in Support of the
Superintendent Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal
Defense Fund (Continued)**

WHEREAS, there is a need for the Superintendent to represent our district and our community for our own best interests and the best educational interests of our students as well as uphold the principle of local control by our school boards as we, as a group, can best represent those interests with the Superintendent working in collaboration with the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education hereby declares its full and unequivocal support for the Superintendent's involvement with the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund not to exceed professional dues support of \$1000 in their efforts to challenge the PED's proposed changes to the school calendar and instructional hours, along with, other rules and regulations that may conflict with the best interests of our community and students, including school accreditation.

Dr. Osowski called for a motion.

Mr. Bennett moved, and Mr. Talley seconded, to approve Item I. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 24-004: Resolution of the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education in Support of the Superintendent Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund.

Dr. Osowski called for discussion. There being none from the other board members, Dr. Osowski stated that she had a lot to say.

Local control was a very important concept written into the State Statutes to protect the locally elected members of the board to serve in partnership with the Superintendents and the teachers and educators in this community to meet their community's best interests.

She said that it was unfortunate that the current Secretary of Education had felt the need for intrusion into local school districts - and that was his first intrusion - by dictating the number of days in the instructional calendar and the number of instructional hours. Based on information that they'd listened to in the January training, there were, at best, inaccurate inferences for projected student growth and achievement.

**I. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 24-004:
Resolution of the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education in Support of the Superintendent
Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund
(Continued)**

The overreach was disappointing and it was disappointing that the Secretary did not have confidence in the Superintendents across the district, and so she whole heartily supported the resolution.

Dr. Osowski added that she also wanted to give kudos here to their very own Mr. Baca who worked so hard – and told him she thought he was the fourth highest representative at the past state legislature in terms of the number of bills he had either co-authored or sponsored. Two of those bills were expressly trying to stop the invasion into local boards. She told him that she wanted thank him for his effort. She knew that it was probably exhausting and disappointing work. They had his voice up there and they appreciated that very much.

There being no further discussion, Dr. Osowski called for a vote with the following results: Mr. Vickers -yes; Ms. Otero – yes; Mr. Talley – yes; Mr. Bennett - yes; and Dr. Osowski- yes. Motion passed: 5/0.

J. APPROVAL OF SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATION / RECIPIENT(S)*

1. **LLS BoE Nomination for the NMSBA Scholarship (Recipients will be announced by NMSBA in June) (Approved by Consent)**
2. **LLS BoE Scholarship (Recipient(s) will be notified at Robing Ceremonies) (Approved by Consent)**

K. FINANCE COMMITTEE ITEMS (Meeting Held April 9, 2024)*

1. **Reports for March 2024**
 - i. **Monthly Check Summary (Approved by Consent)**
 - ii. **Cash on Hand (Approved by Consent)**
 - iii. **Investments on Hand (Approved by Consent)**
 - iv. **Monthly Budget Reports (Approved by Consent)**
 - v. **Revenue (Approved by Consent)**

K. FINANCE COMMITTEE ITEMS (Meeting Held April 9, 2024)* (Continued)

2. Approval of Budget Adjustment Requests (BARs)

- i. 24153 Title III Increase per Final Allocation (Approved by Consent)**
- ii. 21100 Universal Free Lunch Increase per Final Allocation (Approved by Consent)**
- iii. 11000 Operational SEG Decrease per Final Allocation (Approved by Consent)**
- iv. 11000 Operational OST Decrease per Final Allocation (Approved by Consent)**
- v. 24330 ESSER Transfer (Approved by Consent)**
- vi. 24330 ESSER Transfer (Approved by Consent)**
- vii. 24330 ESSER Transfer (Approved by Consent)**

3. Approval of Budget Adjustment Requests (BARs)

(Not Requiring Public Education Department (PED) Approval)

- i. 15100 Impact Aid Operational Maintenance BAR (Approved by Consent)**
- ii. 11000 Operational Maintenance BAR (Approved by Consent)**
- iii. 11000 Operational Maintenance BAR (Approved by Consent)**
- iv. 24330 ESSER Maintenance BAR (Approved by Consent)**
- v. 24330 ESSER Maintenance BAR (Approved by Consent)**

4. Approval of Purchases

- i. Scholastic Inc. Learning Innovations Books for Summer (K-6 Students) 24101 Title I (Approved by Consent)**
- ii. Lakeshore Learning Materials Learning Innovations Elementary School Math Manipulatives 24101 Title I (Approved by Consent)**
- iii. Be Glad Learning Innovations Professional Development (K-12 Teachers) 24153 Title III & 24194 CLSD Grant (Approved by Consent)**

K. FINANCE COMMITTEE ITEMS (Meeting Held April 9, 2024)* (Continued)

5. Approval of Construction Contracts

- i. CES c/o AnchorBuilt LLHS Athletic Field Improvements Phase I
31162 Bond (Approved by Consent)**
- ii. Approval of RFP 2024-004-HR Award Recommendation for On Call
Tree Trimming Services (Approved by Consent)**

6. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

- i. MOU Between LLS & Village of Los Lunas and Valencia County for
Summer Recreation Program (Approved by Consent)**

7. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)

- i. MOA Between LLS & Junior Achievement of New Mexico for Career
Awareness Learning (Approved by Consent)**

**8. Approval of Resolution 24-005: J. Castillo, Castillo's Custom Creations
(Approved by Consent)**

**L. NEW BUSINESS: Board Member Requests for Topics for Upcoming Board Work Sessions
and/or Board Meetings**

Dr. Osowski noted that this item was for items board members would like to see on upcoming meetings and or work sessions .She asked the board members if they had anything they'd like to be added. The following items were requested:

- Mr. Vickers asked to have a short mention / presentation /overview on the upcoming 3 mill election status at every meeting until it was voted on.
- Dr. Osowski stated that she had a couple of topics she'd like to see:
 - Conversations begun regarding student outcomes for board governance during work sessions so they could step into the 24-25 FY with the their priorities clearly in mind so they would know how to request presentations to address those topics.

L. NEW BUSINESS: Board Member Requests for Topics for Upcoming Board Work Sessions and/or Board Meetings (Continued)

- Start conversations along with that as to what kind of summary data they'd like to see as a Board so they had a baseline stepping into the 23-25 SY and how it looked like in each and every school by content when they heard their building leaders say robust and rigorous curriculum. She would like that to be especially defined, described and laid out for the Board so they were in full understanding. Every principal coming before the Board could focus on the outcomes-based data.
- They needed to start about as a Board was House Bill 71 - Graduation Requirements.

M. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETINGS

Dr. Osowski stated that took them to Item M. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETINGS. She added that, as allowed by the NM Open Meetings Act and the District's Open Meetings Resolution, on occasion, a quorum of the board members attend the same function, including those held at school sites - including site activities and end of year celebrations and ceremonies, sports functions, as well as, conferences, workshops, and trainings.

- May 7, 2024 Special Board Meeting
CO Board Room 5:00 pm
Presentation and Approval of Elementary Boundary and Enrollment Addendum
- May 14, 2024 Finance Committee Meeting
CO Board Room 3:00 pm
- May 14, 2024 Audit Committee Meeting
CO Conference Room or Board Room 4:00 pm
(Attendance by Audit Committee Members only)
- May 21, 2024 Board Work Session
CO Board Room 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Topics: High School Athletics Equity Act (Title IX/OCR) by Sally Marquez and Our Numbers (Requested by Mr. Vickers, LLS BOE Policy and Procedural Directives or Regulations Associated with Policy (Quorum May Be In Attendance)
- May 21, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
CO Board Room 6:00 pm

N. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Osowski stated that before she called for a motion to adjourn, she would ask the board members to remain seated for a few moments after the meeting as they had signatures that the staff needed to obtain.

Mr. Talley moved, and Mr. Bennett seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Osowski called for a vote with the following results: Mr. Vickers -yes; Ms. Otero – yes; Mr. Talley – yes; Mr. Bennett - yes; and Dr. Osowski- yes. Motion to adjourn the meeting passed: 5/0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Approved this 21st day of May 2024.

Dr. Michelle Osowski, Board President

Justin Tally, Board Secretary

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