

**LOS LUNAS SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2024**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Osowski called the Special Meeting of the Los Lunas Schools Board of Education to order at 6:00 pm. She 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. She asked that they would ask anyone using the microphone to not touch the microphone. It was going through a sensitive period in its lifecycle.

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
District #2 Vacant
Justin Talley, Secretary
Bruce Bennett, Member
P. David Vickers, Member

Administrators Present: Susan D. Chavez Acting Superintendent
Sandy Traczyk, Assistant Superintendent
Jessica Montaña, Assistant Superintendent
Miranda Baca, Dir. of Finance
Suzy Chavez, Dir. of Professional Learning
Karla Dow, Dir. of Assessment and Accountability
Mary McGowan, Dir. of Special Education
Monica Rivera, Dir. of Elementary Programs
Michelle Romero, Dir. of Purchasing
Chelsea Servantes, Dir. of Secondary Programs
Venessa Tregembo, Dir. of Support Services
Lisa Begay, Principal, Ann Parish Elementary
Teri Gough, Principal, Katherine Gallegos Elementary
Mathew Pendrak, Principal, Los Lunas Elementary
Amy Viramontes, Asst. Principal, Los Lunas High School

Jennifer Otero, Asst. Principal, Valencia High School

A. CALL TO ORDER (Continued)

Others Present: Felina Martinez, Valencia County News Bulletin
Approximately five additional individuals were in attendance.
A range of 23-25 individuals watched via live streaming.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Vickers was asked to lead the audience in the Pledge.

2. ASCERTAIN QUORUM

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

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

B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING

Dr. Osowski asked Acting Superintendent Ms. Chavez to announce the meeting.

Ms. Chavez 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 Ms. Chavez if there were any changes or deletions to the agenda. There being none, Dr. Osowski called for a motion.

Mr. Bennett moved, and Mr. Talley seconded, to approve the agenda as submitted.

Dr. Osowski asked if there was any discussion.

There being no discussion, Dr. Osowski called for a vote with the following results: Mr. Vickers - yes; Mr. Talley – yes; Mr. Bennett - yes; and Dr. Osowski - yes. The motion to approve the prioritized agenda, as submitted, passed 4:0.

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

Dr. Osowski asked Ms. Wolfe if they had any individuals that had asked to address the Board. Ms. Wolfe stated that one individual had asked to provide public comment that evening.

Dr. Osowski stated that before they moved to public comment, she would like to remind the audience of the Board's procedures regarding the handling of public comment, which followed Board Policy B – 2150 BDEH. Public comment was limited to five minutes per individual speaker; however, the Board President might further restrict or waive those time limits based on the number of speakers. The Board welcomed their input. The Board did not prohibit public criticism or comment upon personnel matters but did discourage personal attacks on board members, staff, or other persons. Presenters were cautioned that statements concerning others that convey an unjustly unfavorable impression may subject the presenter to civil action. Any person making public comments would be solely responsible for the content of his or her comments. The Board neither adopted nor assumed any responsibility for comments made by individuals in the public comment section of the board meeting.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT *(In Accordance with Board Policy B-2150 Public Address to the Board)*
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Ms. Amber Rodriguez introduced herself and said she was concerned parent great state of New Mexico She then read scripture from the Bible and prayed over the students and District.

Dr. Osowski thanked her very much for her time and willingness to speak to the Board.

E. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ACTION REGARDING BOARD SELECTION TO FILL THE LLS BOARD OF EDUCATION VACANCY OF SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICT #2 (Per action taken at August 6, 2024 Special Board Meeting)

Dr. Osowski stated that took them to Item E. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ACTION REGARDING BOARD SELECTION TO FILL THE LLS BOARD OF EDUCATION VACANCY OF SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICT #2 (Per action taken at August 6, 2024 Special Board Meeting)

Mr. Bennett moved to make a nomination for Sonya C'Moya to fill the vacated position in District 2. to serve on the school board.

Dr. Osowski called for a second.

Mr. Vickers seconded the motion.

Dr. Osowski asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Bennett stated his nomination for Sonya was for the simple fact that she served before on this Board and also on the Governing Committee. He had total faith and confidence in her ability and thought that she would be a very asset for this team.

Dr. Osowski thanked him.

Mr. Vickers stated that they might mention for the record that Ms Moya was the only one who applied. He thanked her for applying. He added that he was not exactly sure where they would be if nobody applied, so thank you for being willing to step up and take all the arrows.

E. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ACTION REGARDING BOARD SELECTION TO FILL THE LLS BOARD OF EDUCATION VACANCY OF SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICT #2 (Per action taken at August 6, 2024 Special Board Meeting)

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Mr. Talley stated that he had essentially said what he wanted to say and thanked her.

Dr. Osowski stated that she wanted to say that she knew that it had been a long process for her (Ms. C'Moya) and she appreciated that she was again willing to stand up, and thanked her very much.

Dr. Osowski called for the vote. The results were as follows: Mr. Vickers – yes; Mr. Talley – yes; Mr. Bennett – yes; and Dr. Osowski – yes . The motion passed: 4/0

Dr. Osowski stated that she wanted to add that she'd had a tremendous support this week. She said thank you to Mr. Brenna, Thelma, Louise, and Rose, and, of course, her family and her colleagues up here. She thanked them very much.

F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETINGS

Dr. Osowski stated that took them to Item H. 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 attended the same function, including those held at school sites, sports functions, as well as, community events The board members agreed they would not discuss school business while at those functions.

A brief discussion ensued regarding a work session to be held prior to the Board Meeting on August 20th. She stated that she had sent those topics to them via email. They had some hefty ones to discuss including board polices for the policy service they would begin to review, Mr. Tally had stated before that one he was specifically interested on was the one on student fees. She herself had some proposed language changes for section B. They'd also have the athletic handbook and the student handbook that they would like to see and make comments on.

A brief discussion ensued during which she was told they had been sent the district student handbook but not the athletic. Ms. Chavez stated that they would add it.

E. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ACTION REGARDING BOARD SELECTION TO FILL THE LLS BOARD OF EDUCATION VACANCY OF SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICT #2 (Per action taken at August 6, 2024 Special Board Meeting) (Continued)

Dr. Osowski asked for input on the time from Mr. Talley because of his work schedule.

Consensus was reached to begin the work session at 3:00 pm.

Dr. Osowski stated that she would like to ask their soon to be our newest member, if she could be there at 3:00? It was a discussion only, so she was privy to the information.

Ms. C'Moya stated that as she was not a board member she would attend the work session as a community member.

Dr. Osowski confirmed in answer to Mr. Vickers' question that the work session was for discussion only and confirmed that there would not be any binding decisions made. It was for them to become familiar with the items. He confirmed that he could be there as well

Mr. Vickers told Dr. Osowski that he thought they should probably also mention that the swearing-in ceremony for Ms. C 'Moya's would take place at the beginning of that meeting.

The following dates were announced:

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| August 20, 2024 | Board Work Session | 3:00 – 5:00 pm |
| | Topics would be listed on the notice but would contain the information listed previously. | |
| | <i>(Quorum in Attendance) Discussion only; no decisions would be made</i> | |
| • August 20, 2024 | Regular Board Meeting
CO Board Room
Swearing in ceremony | 6:00 pm |

I. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Osowski stated with that being said, this led them to the adjournment of this meeting, and would stand for a motion to adjournment.

Mr. Talley moved, and Mr. Bennett seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Osowski called for a vote with the following results: Mr. Vickers -yes; Mr. Talley – yes; Mr. Bennett - yes; and Dr. Osowski- yes. Motion to adjourn the meeting passed: 4/0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 pm.

Dr. Osowski stated that it was the shortest meeting so far. She thanked everyone for their attendance.

Approved this 20th day of August 2024.

Dr. Michelle Osowski, Board President

Justin Tally, Board Secretary

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