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**Call to Order/Roll Call**: Chairman Thorpe Romero called the meeting to order at 8:34 am. Members in attendance: Thorpe Romero, Tawnya Phoenix, Shirley Ruis, Danthia Gil and Mandy Curo de Quintero.

**Motion** by Tawnya to approve the agenda. Second by Shirley. Carried 4, 0, 0.

#### **Public Comment: Nichol Soto**

Ms. Soto addressed the board with her concern regarding the Eucalyptus trees located around the school playground. She is concerned that they would be a danger to the students during a strong windy day and would like to see thinning and inspection of diseased trees. Board thanked Ms. Soto for her concern and stated that this is something the council is proceeding with, getting bids. They do not want all the trees taken out and council does have concerns for the safety of the students. The board thanked Ms. Soto and excused her.

#### Minutes of June 24, 2019 (Public Meeting)

Purpose of the public meeting was to receive from the public for the proposed LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan) and budget spending. There were no attendees at this meeting/no action.

**Motion** by Shirley to approve the minutes of June 24, 2019, Public Meeting. Second by Danthia. Carried 4, 0, 0.

Discussion regarding the August 26, 2019 minutes:

Under Principal Report: Austin did not recall the conversation regarding class size staying at 24 maximum and total student count capped at 100. Tawnya recalls the conversation as stated in the minutes, as did Chairman Romero. Board agreed to keep class size at a maximum of twenty-four students, until they discuss this again.

• Correction to the minutes of August 26, 2019; under Principal Report, first bullet point, last sentence. *Change minimum to maximum*.

**Motion** to approve the minutes of August 26, 2019 with correction, by Mandy, second by Tawnya. Carried 4, 0, 0.

#### **Budget Report:** Austin McKeever

- Looked at the multi-year budget
- In good standing, even with the increase in staff
- Small Rural Grant has to be spent, this does not roll over to the new school year
- Salary change not reflected in this report regarding the school liaison vacancy

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The board discussed setting monthly board meetings. It was the consensus to have board meeting on third Monday of each month.

**Motion** by Mandy to schedule board meetings the third Monday of each month. Second by Danthia. Carried 4, 0, 0.

### Principal Report: Austin McKeever

There is money in the budget (Small Rural Grant) that needs to be spent. A portion was spent
on the Science Program. Planning to purchase 52 IPads for students. Teachers would like to
use these for science curriculum.

**Motion** by Danthia Gil to approve the purchase of IPads and pay from the Small Rural Grant. Second by Shirley Ruis. Carried 4, 0, 0.

 Principal went over the School Dashboard Local Indicator for BICS. Looks good. Covered all areas with the board (power point) Austin will submit feedback by November 1, 2019.

**Motion** by Danthia to approve the Local Dashboard Indicator. Second by Mandy. Carried 4, 0, 0.

#### **School Breakfast Program:**

 House Bill- 871 passed, and charters are required to offer a free/reduced breakfast to low income students. Surveys went out to identify low- income families. Chairman Romero will have Kathy Clenney look at the Bill 871 document and get back to Austin. Discussion and questions from the board. Where to pay for the food from, where to prepare the food. Tabled for the next board meeting

#### **Reclassification Criteria:**

Students identified as English Learners are required to be assessed on the ELPAC exam on an
annual basis. Progress is monitored at the school site and results are sent to families every year.
The NWEA or MAPS exam is administered three times yearly and progress is also evaluated at
these times. In order to become reclassified a student must meet certain criteria. Austin
shared with the board these goals. This document needs to be approved by the board.

**Motion** by Shirley Ruis to approve the Reclassification Criteria. Second by Tawnya Phoenix. Carried 4, 0, 0.

#### **MAPS Testing**

• First time testing was administered in September 2019. Students are tested four times a year. Austin went over the Student Growth Summary Report. Each grade are taking tests on their own level. Total percentage of students are doing well. More MAP data coming.

#### Yearbook Quote:

• Julie Cushman will be in charge of the yearbook. She would like to use the previous company, Memory Book. She shared a copy of the quote for this year, \$2,288.06 for 125 copies.

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Motion by Tawnya to approve the cost of the yearbook for \$2, 288.06. Second by Danthia. Carried 4, 0,

Closed Session: Student Discipline

**Motion** by Shirley to convene out of regular session into closed session at 10:13 am. Second by Mandy. Carried 4, 0, 0.

**Motion** by Shirley to reconvene out of closed session to regular session at 10:41 am. Second by Danthia. Carried 4, 0, 0.

- Information given to the board
- Austin will contact Southern Indian Health for a drug prevention program
- Chairman will look into "No Tolerance" rule

Next board meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2019, 8:30 am,

No further business, **Motion** by Mandy to adjourn at 10:50 am. Second by Danthia. Carried 4, 0, 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne LaChappa