STATE OF NEW MEXICO

**COUNTY OF LEA** 

**BOARD OF EDUCATION** 

**Hobbs Municipal Schools** 

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Hobbs Municipal Schools was held at the Administrative Office on Tuesday, September 19, 2023.

#### Members Present

Peggy Appleton, Board President Terry O'Brain, Board Vice-President Joseph Calderon, Board Member Gary Eidson, Board Member

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Appleton, at 6:04 p.m.

Approval of Agenda Mr. Eidson, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2023, with the change in moving VIII-B to X-A and making X-A to X-B. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 14, 2023. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

Presentation

STIFEL Update with Mr. Brad Angst.

Bond Election with Mr. Gene Strickland.

Network Wednesday's Mrs. Cooper presented the change in name from PLC to Network Wednesday's.

CTECH Quarterly Report

Mr. Zeke Kaney provided the quarterly Steering Committee Report.

Human Resources Report

Mr. Byrd presented the Human Resources Report.

Approval of Changes, Deletions and Additions to Employee Handbook

Mr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the changes, deletions and additions to the employee handbook for 2023-2024. Motion carried with a 5-0 in favor.

Project Updates and SOH Slides

Mr. Young provided information regarding project updates in the district.

COVID / Flu Update Mr. Young provided information regarding COVID / Flu update.

Approval of Professional Service Agreement Mr. O'Brain, seconded by Mr. Calderon, moved to approve the Professional Service Agreement with the City of Hobbs for HMS Middle School Athletics. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

Approval of Expenditures

Mr. Eidson, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the expenditures for August, 2023. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

Approval of Investments

Mr. Eidson, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the Investments for August, 2023. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

### Approval of BARS

Mr. Eidson, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the following BARS: Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

- 1) Family Income Index Initial.
- 2) Transportation Decrease.
- 3) ESSERII (CRSSA) Initial.

# Monthly Budget Report

Information only.

Approval of NMSBA Resolution – CTE Funding

Mr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the NMSBA Resolution for CTE Finding. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

Approval of Resolution Authorizing Redemption - Bond Mr. O'Brain, seconded by Mr. Eidson, moved to approve the Resolution Authorizing Redemption of a Portion of the District's Series 2021 Bonds, Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement and Other Matters Related Thereto. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

### **Enrollment Update**

Mr. Strickland provided an update on Enrollment.

#### **Executive Session**

Mr. Gary Eidson, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to go into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. for the purpose of Discussion of the acquisition of land for School District use pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) of the Open Meetings Act. Discussion with the School District attorneys to advise on legal ramifications related to amending Board Policies and to receive update on pending litigation related to former bus contractor, as Pending or Threatened Litigation pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the Open Meetings Act and under the Attorney-Client Privilege in anticipation of and to prevent further litigation. No action will be taken and only the items listed herein will be discussed. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

# Approval to Return to Regular Session

Mr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to return to Regular Session at 9:21 p.m. Roll Call vote was unanimous; motion carried 4-0.

# Action on Executive Session

Mr. Eidson, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve that no action was taken during Executive Session; only discussions as listed above. Roll Call vote was unanimous; motion carried 4-0.

# Approval of Second Reading of Policy Services

Mr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the Second Reading of Policy Services Advisory 233-237. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

# Approval of Land Donation

Mr. O'Brain, seconded by Mr. Calderon, moved to approve and accept the Land Donation pursuant to written agreement with restrictive covenants. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

### Announcements

- 1) Region VI Fall Meeting Lovington September 25<sup>th</sup> (5:30 pm to 8:30 pm).
- 2) Holiday October 9, 2023 (No School)
- 3) End of 1st nine weeks October 13, 2023.
- 4) Regular Board Meeting October 17, 2023.

## Adjournment

Mr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. O'Brain, moved to approve the adjournment of the Regular Board Meeting of September 19, 2023, at 9:28 p.m. Motion carried with a 4-0 in favor.

Peggy Appleton, Board President

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