MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

NACO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 Governing Board

Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 5:15 P.M.

Those attending the meeting:

Mr. Olmos Tim Mayclin Linda Mott
Dawn Walker Donna Horton Julie Morgan

Brisa Romero

*Also pursuant to the Governor's Executive order the meeting will be conducted from the Multipurpose room and may be done via telephone if need be to follow restrictions. We may need to limit the crowd at the meeting if we have more than 10 people including Board members, Administration and guests. If that happens, we will open an area in the adjoining area to allow visual and audio interaction or move to the cafeteria.

I. OPENING OF THE MEETING @ 5:17 BY Mr. Olmos

A. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
Adoption of the Agenda – The Governing Board reserves the right to reschedule, delete,
or rearrange items on the agenda to efficiently conduct its business. Motion by Olmos
seconded by Romero to approve the agenda. Yeas 3-0 Nays.

II. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
 - a. Regular Board Meeting March 17, 2020
- B. Presentation of the March Financial Report Donna Horton
- C. Approval of March Vouchers
- D. Approve Surplus Items to dispose of to clean up our grounds and storage areas. All items are broken and have been sitting in storage or outside for 2 to 15 years or more. This is another batch of items that are broken, rusted out and not necessary to continue to keep.

Comment from Mr. Olmos Board President on Superintendent Evaluation from the March 17th meeting. Motion by Olmos seconded by Romero to approve the agenda with additions. Yeas 3-0 Nays.

IV. ACTION ITEMs

- A. Presentation, Discussion and possible vote on Calendars for the 2020-2021 school year. The staff voted on Options 1 & 2 as sent back from the board for the purpose of gathering of a more condensed staff opinion. The staff vote was #1- 16 votes and #2 9 votes. Approve Option #1. Motion by Olmos seconded by Romero to approve the agenda with additions. Yeas 3-0 Nays
- B. Presentation, Discussion and possible vote on plan Policies GCCA & GBKA. The Board may choose to suspend Policy BGB which calls for two readings of a policy prior to possible adoption. Board discussion will occur with possible action

following the discussion. Tabled until further notice following Legal advice- **Motion** by Olmos seconded by Romero. Yeas 3-0 Nays.

- C. Approve a list of Certified staff to Offer contracts to as soon as they can be drawn up. The final salary and benefit package is yet to be determined but out plan as of April 7th, 2020 is to follow the state recommendation for the total package increase. **Motion by Romero seconded by Olmos to approve the agenda. Yeas 3-0 Nays.**
- D. Presentation, Discussion and possible vote on hiring another 5th grade Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year to allow the splitting of the upcoming 5th grade class. What we are seeing is a stable set of numbers with our lower grades and if we can keep our numbers down in the classrooms we believe the results will be improved. The possibility of 34-36 students in one room in 5th grade is just too many for a regular classroom. Hire a K-8 Teacher. **Motion by Olmos seconded by Romero to approve the agenda with additions. Yeas 3-0 Nays.**
- E. Presentation, Discussion and possible vote on moving Kindergarten back to half days the schedule would look like this, 8:00-11:00 A.M. for the Morning Group and 11:30-2:30 for the afternoon group. These are approximate times for the time being. Rationale is that we are reimbursed for 3 hours per day from state funds, we spend 3 solid hours on academics with our Kindergarten classrooms and the rise of students who are not ready for school, have not attended any preschool or Head Start programming is very high. We spend between the teachers and the office too much time with discipline and it is occurring after they have been in school for 4-5 hours and they are running out of gas and the ability to follow rules and stay focused. We had enough students revert to half days this year and believe this and the addition of a Junior 1st Grade program would be beneficial to help our students truly get a strong foundation for their education as they move forward. The lack of introduction of English and the socialization skills that are missed when there is no formal programming really set us behind and the 7-8 hour day make it very difficult for the staff and the students. The Junior kindergarten program would be a promotion from Kindergarten but the academic focus for Jr. 1st would be second half of the year K and the 1st half of the year of 1st Grade curriculum. Half day Kindergarten and implement Junior 1st Grade program. Motion by Romero seconded by Olmos. Yeas 3-0 Nays.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

VI. ADJOURMENT at 6:57 by Motion by Olmos seconded by Romero. Yeas 3-0 Nays.

Dated this 7th day of April, 2020 for the Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 5:15 P.M.

Alberto Olmos - President	
Dawn Walker	

Brisa Romero

GOVERNING BOARD OF THE NACO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #23