

REGULAR MEETING
August 19, 2008
5:00 p.m.
Quemado School Library

Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by President Mike Candelaria.
Members Present	Mike Candelaria – President Denny Carver – Vice President Elena Farr – Secretary Polly Pierson - Member Gary Roberts – Member
Members Absent	None
Administration Present	Superintendent Bill Green, Principal Valerie Brea and Business Manager Sandra Heinsohn were present.
Recognition of Visitors	Craig Crissinger, Kathy Candelaria and Tiffany Brunson were present for portions of the meeting.
Approval of Minutes	Motion by Polly Pierson and seconded by Elena Farr to approve the minutes of July 15, 2008 with the addition of “for labor” to the gym siding bid amount. Motion carried 5-0.
Approval of Agenda	Motion by Denny Carver and seconded by Gary Roberts to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
Audience Input	There was no audience input at this meeting.
Education Report	Mrs. Candelaria was present for the education report and had several items to talk about. We will be having a career/college fair. The health council is going to help organize it. She had a handout of the High Schools that would attend and the colleges and businesses that have confirmed. She is working on getting the armed services to attend as well as other businesses, etc. Alisa is trying to get electricians, beauticians, and other technical people to come and be present to students. Students 9-12 from Quemado will attend. The other schools will determine which grades might attend. They might get someone who attended college come and tell what the students should do to prepare themselves for success in college.

Mrs. Candelaria explained that Mrs. Brea has compared the last MAPS test to the SBA test from the state. They came out very close. If a student was proficient on one, they were on the other. The scores are very similar in all areas. Many of our students were not proficient and it is recognized that the school must help improve this situation. The students who weren't proficient in any one area had to go to test prep. In the 7th and 8th grade students that are proficient will do seminar work and the others will work on test prep, study skills and content work. Mrs. Candelaria does English and Science, Mrs. Larisch and Mr. Vance are doing math and science. The ACT Program will help target the areas that need work and help cross curricular planning. We hope that some students will be out of test prep at nine weeks. If they don't get out we will continue to provide help to get students up to standards.

It was asked if parents are able to get the MAPS scores on their student and it was explained that a parent can get the scores if they wish. The comparison of MAPS and SBA showed that they were right together on the scoring of proficiency, etc. The

students will have posters in classrooms so they can see where they are at when they take the test. A score will pop up and students can compare that score to the posters.

Mr. Green explained that all are going to be more accountable because if a student doesn't do better a teacher isn't doing well and Mr. Green may not be working with the teacher as much as he should. Teachers and administration could be put on growth plans and eventually dismissed if improvements aren't made. Student scores will be looked at for improvement individually.

There was some discussion about the WNMU placement test. Western gave the placement test and determined who did or did not pass for the Math or English classes that we are offering through the university. Students must also either score high enough on the ACT or take these tests when they start college.

Mr. Green thanked Kathy for the report.

Administrative Report

Mrs. Brea reported on a number of things. There are 30 new students this year. Some have been home schooled and others came from other schools. Mobility will affect our testing again. We have English 101 and they will get college credit and English IV credit for it as well. There will not be honors classes this year because the students are not proficient and they should be if they are to get honors credit. Open house will be next Tuesday. Preschool will probably start September 17th it will be all day but might just two days per week. The school year is off to a really good start. Mrs. Brea did say that she thinks it might be a good idea to start school after the county fair to avoid more absences.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Green reported on several items. Sept 12th is the health fair day. Our field watering system is being repaired and it is very expensive. They sent the wrong part with the repair man and he will have to return. His time costs 85 dollars per hour.

The two mill levy is good through 2011. The gym siding is in. Jerry and Bill will put it up in September. Policy review dates will be on the second Friday of each month. First volleyball game is September 4th. 1st and 2nd grade are split because of numbers and special needs students. This will be discussed in executive session. Student Council had no elections because only one person per office ran. They were elected by acclamation.

Approval of Bills

Motion by Gary Roberts and seconded by Polly Pierson to approve the bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Business Items

Budget Adjustments

There were no transfers presented at this meeting..

Increases were presented as follows: Operational - \$1,809, Teacherage - \$122, Transportation - \$131, Food Service - \$6,327, Non-Instructional - \$330, Medicaid - \$3,947, State Technology - \$5,509, Incentives - \$5,371, Breakfast for Elementary - \$804, SB9 - \$1,110, Breakfast for Elementary - \$1,557 and IDEA B - \$40,305. Motion by Polly Pierson and seconded by Elena Farr to approve the increases as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Decreases in Instructional Materials in the amount of \$651 and in Athletics in the amount of \$55 were presented. Motion by Denny Carver and seconded by Polly Pierson to approve the decreases as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

- Approval of Feeder Routes Feeder route applications were presented for Jeannie Eberle, Ruth Ann Harriet, Treva Hill, Lavina Thomas, Cheryl Mickey, Martha Terrazas, Lisa Bruton, Carla Ramer, Katy Leist, Heidi Stewart, Davera Everett, Westi Hicks, Lori Martin, Kelly Starnes, Anita Hand, Tara McKinley, Elena Farr, and Edith Kopman. There was discussion about the Thomas, Mickey and Eberle feeder routes. They will be carpooling and only one person will claim each day. Sandra will report the mileage for only one person to the state. Anita Hand's application will be pulled because Cherreda did not return to school. Motion by Gary Roberts and seconded by Polly Pierson to approve the feeder routes as discussed. Motion carried 5-0.
- Approval of Classroom Chairs Purchase Quotes are in the packets. They are \$1,852 from School Specialty, \$2,756.70 and \$3,080.40 from Direct Advantage. Mr. Green explained that chairs are needed in two classrooms. We will check on hard plastic chairs before orders are made. Motion was made by Gary Roberts to approve the purchase of classroom chairs with a cap of \$1,852. Motion was seconded by Elena Farr. Motion carried 5-0.
- Approval of Random Drug Testing Contract The bus and suburban driver are required by law to be on a random drug test cycle. We have contracted with OHR for several years. They come to Quemado and Datil to test the drivers who are drawn. Motion by Polly Pierson and seconded by Elena Farr to approve the Random Drug Testing Contract. Motion carried 5-0.
- Approval of ACT Curriculum Purchase This curriculum will be used in the test prep classes. Mr. Green already ordered it so we wouldn't be way behind with the curriculum for these classes. This gives ACT prep curriculum for 7th to 12th grade, by grade level. There was discussion about how long the curriculum would be applicable. Motion by Gary Roberts and seconded by Polly Pierson to approve the ACT Curriculum. Motion carried 5-0.
- Discussion Items
- MAPS Testing Schedule Mrs. Brea explained that we will Drop the 3rd MAPS because students will be taking the SBA during the time MAPS should be and that is just too much testing. We will still be administering MAPS in May.
- Test Prep Classes This item was covered earlier.
- Reporting Budget Transfers The Board discussed getting transfers just to the object code. However, they determined that they want them the way the increases and decreases were presented at this meeting.
- Policy Review This is the first reading for Sections 1 and 2. Bonding for the Board members is still in question. When we hear from the lawyer we will decide whether or not to leave that in the policy. Mr. Green will do more research on the issue and report to the Board.
- November Game Date Mr. Atwood would like to change the Nov 29th game to the Tuesday night before Thanksgiving. He thinks it will affect fewer families if the game is on Tuesday instead of Saturday. There was discussion about students being responsible and coming to school prepared after a game. There was also discussion about athletics cutting into instructional time and the Board's mandate as well as the problem of asking families to cut their Thanksgiving short.
- Datil Teacherage Mr. Green is looking for a variance on the well. We cannot drill a well without a variance because of the septic system being too close. If we can't get a variance we should consider how much we want to put into the Datil teacherage. The property won't be worth very much without having water. The money could be used for building a

teacherage in Quemado. Mr. Green would like to use a contractor to get a list of what we can ask to do and then go out for bids.

September Board
Fall Retreat Mr. Green would like to do a one day retreat in October. The one day would be to review where we are at with testing. Mr. Green would like for the Board to have a session with student council as wells.

Items for September
Meeting and the second reading for sections 1 and 2.
Executive Session Motion by Polly Pierson and seconded by Gary Roberts to go into Executive Session pursuant to 10-15-1, H-2, NMSA 1978, as amended. Motion carried 5-0 with all members voting aye. The executive session began at 6:43 p.m.

Return to Open Meeting
Verification Statement The meeting returned to open session at 7:18 p.m. and Mr. Candelaria verified that only personnel was discussed.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Approved _____
Board President Board Secretary