

REGULAR MEETING
December 16, 2008
5:00 p.m.
Quemado School Library

Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:02 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	Dr. Nebblett was present.
Approval of Minutes	Motion by Gary Roberts and seconded by Elena Farr to approve the minutes of November 18, 2008 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
Approval of Minutes	Motion by Polly Pierson and seconded by Gary Roberts to approve the minutes of June 26, 2008 Emergency Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.
Approval of Agenda	Mr. Green asked to add #14 under discussion items. This is to discuss having an NMAA Booth and #15 to discuss an ACH Agreement with First State Bank. Motion by Polly Pierson and seconded by Elena Farr to approve the agenda with the additions. Motion carried 5-0.
Audience Input	There was no audience input at this meeting.
Health Center Report	Dr. Nebblett was here to give the health center report. He is the medical director of the health center from beginning of the year until now. He presented the report printed for the Board of Education to review. They have a poly com unit and the school is welcome to use it. There were some questions on behavioral health visits. There is a licensed counselor who is serving for those needing counseling. He asked for input on how to expand the program. A screening tool is used by Dr. Nebblett to identify students who might need to obtain counseling. Students often do not want to participate. 14 years and older in the state of NM can get the counseling without the knowledge of their parents. Alisa will start Life-Skills Classes on January 6. The counselor may go to those classes with her so students will be involved with the counselor on a different level. The group is honored to use the building and wants to take the best care of it that is possible. While it would be nice for other services to come in they would have to take care of it the way it should be. PMS wants to provide the services the school wants. There was some discussion about INR programs.
Education Report	There was not an education report at this meeting.
Administrative Report	Mrs. Brea talked about several things. The students have finished the MAP Assessments; scores will be presented to the Board in January. Laura Larisch will be helping Mrs. Brea with charts and graphs. This work will be part of her administrative program. The Board asked if the Test Prep classes are helping students improve scores. Mrs. Brea stated that she can get results for any parents who did not get them from their students. The scores for proficiency were raised by 5 points. It was suggested that there be an assembly to explain to and encourage the students. The board would like to recognize the students

who have increased. The first drama performance was held in conjunction with the elementary. Mrs. Vance had a lot of obstacles to overcome and did a great job. It came together great.

Superintendent's Report Mr. Green reported on several items. Graduation date is set for May 15th. The seniors do not want a lockdown. Some seniors want to change the date to the 16th and have it earlier in the day. Mrs. Brea said that some have already ordered invitations.

The annual Board Convention was good. During the luncheon presentation Gadsden Board got the Board of the year. Mr. Green was not happy about this. Mr. Green would like to write a letter and ask why they could receive this award with the problems of budget shortages, lack of audits, etc. The letter would go to the NMSBA.

The advisory meeting with Dr. Garcia went very well. There is no sign of her leaving her position. The funding formula was a major topic. The school board association is lukewarm in their support. The Superintendents Association has a card for the public to help answer questions about the funding formula.

The legislative session starts in January. It should be exciting and confrontational. We need to be there supporting REC funding, etc.

In addition, the Board institute will be in February. The BB teams are doing well. They have played well and there is good participation. NMAA is realigning and they may make more classes so we would be in class B for smaller schools. This would help the athletic teams.

Approval of Bills Motion by Elena Farr and seconded by Polly Pierson to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Business Items
Budget Adjustments

There were no transfers presented at this meeting.

Increases were presented as follows: \$1,557 for Breakfast for Elementary, Rural Revitalization Grant \$10,000 and Library GO \$9,306. Motion by Polly Pierson and seconded by Gary Roberts to approve the increases as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

There were no decreases presented.

Approval of Feeder Routes A feeder route for Sharon Jones was presented. Motion by Denny Carver and seconded by Gary Roberts to approve the Sharon Jones feeder route. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of End of Quarter Transfers next Mr. Green explained that transfers would need to be made to close out the quarter. Polly Pierson made a motion to allow transfers to close out the quarter and bring a list to the meeting. Elena Farr seconded it and the motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Professional Organization Membership Mr. Green stated that he would like to be a member of AASA and Sandra wants to join International ASBO. These organizations offer some good training and information. Motion by Gary Roberts and seconded by Elena Farr to allow membership in these organizations. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Rural Grant Increase for Vo-Ag Program Mr. Green explained that we will have to use some SB-9 money to buy the Ag trailer and the grant money to do improvements and repairs that need to be done. It will be a trade off. A motion was made by Gary Roberts to approve the use of grant money for improvements and some of the SB9 money that we were going to use for improvements for the trailer. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Fairfield Contract - Fairfield wants \$67 per night plus tax for the 2009 contract. They have had clean rooms and a good breakfast. Motion by Elena Farr and seconded by Gary Roberts to approve the contract with Fairfield. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion Items
Policy Section 6 Changes This is the first reading of section six. Mr. Green said that they have been gone through with a group. A reading will be done with others during the first week of January.

Testing Status This item has been addressed.

Funding Formula Mr. Green said that this has been discussed. Everyone should be aware that there will be changes. Mr. Green spoke with Catherine Cross Maple. It is encouraging that she called to discuss issues with him.

Board Calendar Items The Board Institute will be in February. If there is a teacher's retreat it will be April 15, 16 and 17. We should wait to see where we are at with money. The Regional Board Meeting will be held in Moriarty but we do not have a date yet.

Election Review Elena and Denny signed up to run for the board again. They will be running unopposed.

Teacher/Board Retreat We should know if the retreat will be possible in January or February. Mr. Green said that he would like board members to come in and observe with PCAC members.

January Items Testing presentation, policy for section 6 second reading and section 7 first reading.

NMAA Booth Mr. Candelaria asked to discuss this. In the hall of fame almost every school has a booth to showcase anything about their school. We should consider having one and it would cost \$1,500. Once we have it field trips should go by and see it. We might be able to get help paying for it from booster club or alumni.

ACH Agreement After reviewing the agreement the board said they just want to be certain of fees before it is signed by Sandra. She will check with the bank.

Executive Session There was no need for an executive session.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Approved: _____
Board President Board Secretary