



## NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 10, 2024, held at 2:00 p.m.

### I. Attendance:

**The following Board Members were present:**

Patricia Muñozcano, Clerk (Acting President); Members, Robert Rojas, Manuel Ruiz and Greg Lucero,

Board Member not present: Cesar A. Lopez, President

a. Call to Order

**Ms. Muñozcano called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.**

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayra Zuñiga, HR Director, led all in the pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

### II. Approval of Governing Board Minutes of May 13, 2024

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

### III. Governing Board/Superintendent Information

a. Superintendent Report – Discussion, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

1. Update

No reports

b. Governing Board Report, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

Mr. Ruiz congratulated the middle schools and all elementaries on their Transitions, and NHS and PHS for their graduations. In addition, he congratulated the parents, students, and staff for a job well done.

Mr. Lucero reported he attended Mary Welty and AJ Mitchell's transition events and the students' performance was outstanding. He also attended the middle schools' transitions and both high schools' graduations, and they were all good programs. He also reported he attended a committee meeting with the Chamber of Commerce to discuss programs that involved the schools and colleges in the community. He mentioned some of the highlights of the meeting including that some substantial educational programs are being looked into to possibly get implemented in the community.

Mr. Rojas echoed Mr. Lucero's report adding that the transitions were excellent and Pierson's graduation was beautiful with great messages from guest speakers right on target. He further mentioned that the NHS graduation was beautiful joined by the Board, department heads, and staff, and the students were very classy dressed and well-behaved. He mentioned he heard good remarks throughout the evening and the following day. He added that the class was excellent and the representation of the District was fantastic. He also reported he had attended the ASBA Summer Conference in Flagstaff along with Ms. Muñozcano and Mr. Lopez and the conference had good sessions. He further mentioned that ASBA included him in a Legislature Committee and will be attending more meetings regarding that.

Ms. Muñozcano reported that the graduations were phenomenal and the students were well-behaved. She added that the speakers' messages were great. She also attended the ASBA Conference in Flagstaff and the sessions were all good, but hoped next year they would be better.

#### IV. Call to the Public

Eric Romero spoke regarding NHS Track & Field.

#### V. Consent Agenda

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval as presented to the Board.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Ratification of Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Vouchers
- c. Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Funds Extra Curricular Tax Credit
- d. Approval of the Proposed School Year 2024-2025 Governing Board Meeting Schedule
- e. Approval of Fixed Asset Disposals/Transfers
- f. Renewal of Sole Source Status to College Board for FY24-25
- g. Renewal of Sole Source Status to the Boys and Girls Club of Santa Cruz County for FY24-25



- h. Approval of Out of State Travel for Zulema Fragoso NHS Counselor to Attend the NACAC Conference in Los Angeles, CA
- i. Approval of FY 24-25 Officiating/Per Diem Fee Schedule
- j. Approval of the Thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation Service Agreement for FY 25
- k. Renewal of Internet Services Contract with Login LLC for FY 24-25
- l. Renewal of Copier/Printer Maintenance/Repair Services Contract with Valley Imaging Solutions for FY 24-25
- m. Renewal of Wide Area Network (WAN) Services Contract with WanRack Holdings LLC for FY24-25
- n. Approval of the Revised FY2024-2025 Intergovernmental Agreement by and between Pima County Joint Technical Education District and Nogales Unified School District
- o. Approval of Personnel Agenda
- p. Approval of Addendum

## VI. Information and Discussion

### a. FY24 Food Service Update

Superintendent Canto introduced Ms. Clementina Carlyle to give a presentation.

Ms. Carlyle gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Board and introduced Ms. Miranda to give a presentation on Sodexo programs.

Nadia Miranda, Sodexo manager, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Mr. Rojas congratulated them for their excellent presentations. He mentioned his daughter will be attending NHS and as always looks forward to her giving her good comments on the meals available.

He inquired if they do surveys during the year from the students about the food.

Ms. Miranda mentioned that they have not done it recently but would consider his recommendation.

Ms. Muñozcano thanked them for the programs they provide and the good meal choices they receive.

Mr. Lucero commented about the decrease in the breakfast numbers, stating that maybe it would be something else to add to a survey and promote.

He also mentioned that the Senior's breakfast at NHS was spectacular.

He concluded by stating that it was a great program and had great service.

Mr. Ruiz. Thanked them for their reports.

Superintendent Canto commented about Sodexo providing the summer program meals and that it was greatly appreciated.

### b. Presentation of FY2025 Proposed Budget

Superintendent Canto gave a brief overview and introduced Ms. Carlyle to give a presentation.

Ms. Carlyle gave a PowerPoint presentation. Copies were provided to the Board in their packets.

Mr. Rojas asked if she saw any concerns.

Mr. Carlyle stated she had but at this moment everything was covered.

c. Santa Cruz County Operational Account Update

Superintendent Canto gave an update on the county's operational account. She mentioned that she and other administrators had met last week with several County officials, and stated the highlights of the meeting. She further mentioned that County officials had been invited to attend today's meeting, and late Friday afternoon, they had declined the invitation. She added that they plan to have monthly county meetings starting July 26, 2024, to continue to be informed of the situation. She also mentioned that immediately after she had found out about the occurrence, the attorneys were notified as well as the Trust. She had also reached out to the auditors and they were now all on board with the situation. She also reported she had reached out to the District's bond attorney to alert him to a possible impact on the bonds sold.

Mr. Ruiz stated he could not participate in the discussion as he is on the County Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Lucero commented that the County Treasurer was only insured for \$1-Million and it does not cover all the funds missing. He further mentioned that an executive session with the Governing Board should be programmed to be on the same page and see if there's anything that can be done.

Mr. Rojas agreed with Mr. Lucero's comments. He mentioned that the County is having executive sessions and such the District does not know what they are discussing and that transparency was a word that came to mind.

Ms. Muñozcano put on the table her questions of concern.

Superintendent Canto stated that Ms. Siegel, the District's attorney, was aware and working on the issue.

Mr. Rojas made a comment that there was a need to be aware of the word "angry", stating that all need to remain cautious with the words that come out of their mouths as public officials and that anger does not make you productive. He furthermore stated that the District needed to try to be productive until all this got solved.

**VII. Action**

a. 1. Approval of the FY2025 Proposed School District Annual Expenditure Budget

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.



Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval as presented to the Board.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

2. Authorization to Post Public Hearing Notice and Summary of School District Proposed Expenditure Budget for the Purpose of Presenting and Adopting the FY2025 School District Annual Expenditure Budget

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval as presented to the Board.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

- b. Recommendation of Pay Increase for School Year 2024-2025

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval.

Superintendent Canto gave a brief overview and recommended approval as presented. She further thanked the IBN committee emphasizing that this had been a very good process.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

- c. Approval of Textbook Adoption –Science for 6-8 as a Partial RFP Award-Part 2 from Discovery Education Incorporated

Superintendent Canto gave a brief overview and introduced Asst. Superintendent Bonillas to give a report.

Asst. Superintendent Bonillas gave a brief overview and mentioned the steps taken by the committee to come to the final recommendation. She recommended approval to the Board as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

- d. Approval of Textbook Adoption – Advanced Math for Grades 6-8 from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing

Asst. Superintendent Bonillas gave a brief overview and mentioned the steps taken by the committee to come to the final recommendation. She recommended approval to the Board.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

Asst. Superintendent Bonillas thanked the Board for their approval.

**VIII.** Requests for Future Agenda Items

Mr. Lucero requested to have an executive session on the missing funds.


**IX.** Adjournment

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Ruiz for adjournment of the public meeting.


Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Lucero, and Muñozcano

**Session adjourned at 3:04 p.m.**

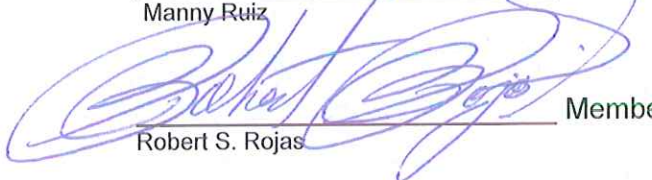
**APPROVED BY THE BOARD**

  
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Cesar A. Lopez      President

  
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Patricia Muñozcano      Clerk

  
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Greg Lucero      Member

  
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Manny Ruiz      Member

  
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Robert S. Rojas      Member

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary  
July 8, 2024

(For exact statements made during the Board Meeting, you may request a copy of the recording)