

## NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the Study Session of July 13, 2020 held at 2:00 p.m.

### I. Attendance:

The following Board Members were present:

Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr., President, Greg Lucero Clerk; Members Robert Rojas and Manuel Ruiz

- a. Call to Order

Dr. Varona called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

- b. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Colgate led all in the Pledge.

- c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented.

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

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

### II. Study Session

- a. Update and Presentation Reopening of Schools Plan-ONLINE ONLY August 5, 2020 (Decisions/Recommendations on "IF" Schools Will Reopen-In-Person with Other Models of Instruction Based on the Data)

Superintendent Parra thanked all the people in the committee who were part of the decision-making on the reopening of the schools.

He mentioned the Online Plan to reopen the schools on August 5, 2020.

He further gave an updated report on the re-opening of the schools cleaning and disinfecting guidelines to return physically to the classrooms.

- Reopening of Schools Plan

Angel Canto, Asst, Superintendent, gave a Power Point presentation with a brief review of the data related to the re-opening of the schools that included the surveys received from the community and District employees.

Ms. Canto, in connection with the plan, read the NUSD Resolution for re-opening the schools.

Dr. Varona inquired regarding the Power Point not having been distributed to the Board before the meeting.

Superintendent Parra explained this was an ongoing plan and had not been finalized and the District felt more comfortable awaiting for the final draft.

Dr. Varona stated he did not have time to study and would participate in the decision making until full clarification was made.

Mr. Lucero expressed his concerns to re-opening the schools, stating he as well as Dr. Varona did not feel prepared to make a decision without all the information on hand.

Mr. Ruiz mentioned that this information gave an idea of how the parents feel and based on that information the Board needed to be proactive in making a decision at this time.

He added that the plan needed more dialogue to assure that there will be a safe school to attend physically but the Board needed to trust the administration and committee and await the final plan.

**At 2:30 p.m., Dr. Varona acknowledge that Mrs. Mendoza had joined the meeting.**

Mr. Rojas mentioned about the possible consideration of a year-round school program in order to create a break in between to be able and sanitize the schools more often.

He further agreed with the Board on getting more information on the full plan but added that he felt the information given was a good start.

Superintendent Parra thanked the Board for their feedback.

He stated that he would reschedule another Study Session to bring back updated information.

Mrs. Mendoza mentioned that due to not having been on time for the presentation, she had no comments at the time.

Mr. Parra continued explaining that the committee's direction was a brief plan. He further mentioned that in connection, there was a deep plan from Food Services as well and they are awaiting the direction they will take.

Furthermore, he mentioned that the cleaning and sanitizing staff have received training and it will be included in the plan for re-opening.

He mentioned that the plan and structure would be reported to the Board.

He further mentioned that the committee had discussed year-round schooling, and was not something they would consider due to the instructional time required.

Superintendent Parra asked if they could revisit and reschedule another Study Session at an agreed time.

Dr. Varona recommended Monday July 20, 2020 or July 27, 2020.

Mr. Lucero suggested having the Board's questions submitted ahead of time before the meeting in order for the Superintendent to have better knowledge of what the Board's concerns are.



Dr. Varona added that any scientific data would be greatly appreciated.  
Dr. Varona stated he would not table the Resolution at the Regular Meeting.

- Update on AIA/Arizona Interscholastic Association/Principal - Tim Colgate

Superintendent Parra introduced Mr. Colgate to give a Power Point presentation.

Mr. Colgate gave a Power Point presentation of what plan AIA is looking at right now on the timeline for reopening sports.

Mr. Rojas thanked Mr. Colgate mentioning it was thorough and a good presentation.

Mr. Lucero thanked Mr. Colgate for a good presentation.

Mr. Ruiz stated that he was glad they were following CDC guidelines, and recommended that when athletes go back to practice in this heat that they be careful with the use of masks and their breathing to avoid casualties. He thanked Mr. Colgate for a good presentation.

Mrs. Mendoza thanked Mr. Colgate for the good information presented and guidelines to follow.

Dr. Varona confirmed a July 27, 2020 at 2:00 p.m., Study Session to give an updated report and a printed presentation sent to the Board.

b. FY21 School District Annual Expenditure Budget

Superintendent Parra gave a brief update and turned the meeting to Mr. Sandoval to give a presentation.

Mr. Adelmo Sandoval, Business Director, gave a Power point presentation of the FY21 Expenditure Budget.

Mrs. Mendoza thanked Mr. Sandoval for the presentation and always working hard to keep the District compliant.

Mr. Lucero mentioned and thanked Mr. Sandoval for a very good presentation and being conservative.

Mr. Ruiz thanked Mr. Sandoval for the good presentation and further acknowledged, this was to serve better the students.

Mr. Rojas thanked Mr. Sandoval for a good presentation. He concluded by stating that thing to name was the need of more money to build more schools.

Dr. Varona concurred with his colleagues and thanked Mr. Sandoval for making sure the funds are going to the classrooms. He further mentioned that the safety of the students is number one.

Mr. Parra thanked the Board's openness with their comments and mentioned that the Team would be guided by the data and science as requested by the Board.

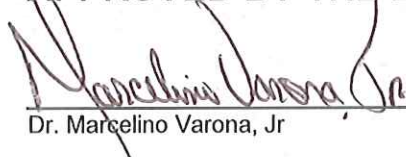
III. Adjournment of the Study Session

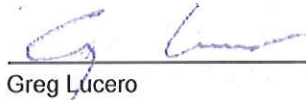
Mr. Ruiz made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Rojas for adjournment of the public meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by members:

Session adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

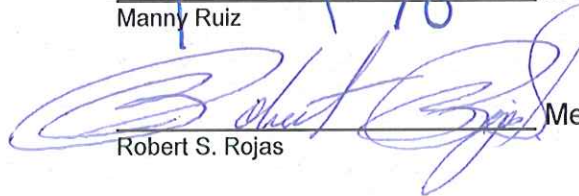
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Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr

 Clerk  
Greg Lucero

 Member  
Barbara Mendoza

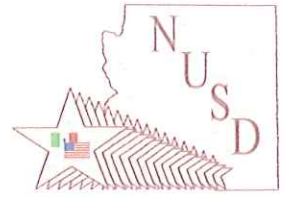
 Member  
Manny Ruiz

 Member  
Robert S. Rojas

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary  
August 24, 2020

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# Nogales Unified School District No. 1



## NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

### Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2020 Held Immediately after the Study Session

I. Attendance:

**The following Board Members were present:**

Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr., President, Greg Lucero Clerk; Members Barbara Mendoza, Robert Rojas and Manuel Ruiz

a. Call to Order

**Dr. Varona called the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m.**

Dr. Varona on behalf of the Governing Board offered their condolences to Mrs. Mayra Zuñiga and her family for the passing of her father-in-law.

b. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented including the consent agenda.

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

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Mendoza, Ruiz, Rojas, Lucero and Varona

II. Approval of Governing Study Session and Regular Board Minutes of June 22, 2020

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented.

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

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Ruiz, Mendoza, Lucero and Varona

III. Governing Board/Superintendent Information

a. Superintendent Report – Discussion, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements  
1. Congratulations to the 2020 Nogales High School IB Diploma Recipients

Superintendent Parra congratulated the IB students, teachers and the parents for their help and support stating for the record the names of the six students who received the IB Diplomas.

He further mentioned that the District was very proud for the students who had also received the Bilingual IB Diploma and furthermore, the students who got college credits during their Senior year at NHS.

He mentioned that the article would be presented in the Nogales newspaper.

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Dr. Varona requested that the study session of July 27, IB students be included to have the Board congratulate them.

2. NUSD Not Attending any In-Person Trainings or Conferences in the Fall Until Further Notice

Superintendent Parra gave an update mentioning that most of the conferences are being held remotely and the District will not be participating in any in-person training or conferences at this time.

Dr. Varona mentioned that as well, he would be attending the Virtual ASBA Law Conference in the fall.

b. Governing Board Report, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

Mrs. Mendoza thanked the District Team for all their hard work done during the summer.

Mr. Lucero mentioned it was unfortunate the District would not have their annual back to school celebration and mentioned the possibility to look into having something via remotely.

IV. Call to the Public

Mr. Parra mentioned that no questions or concerns were received as of this morning.

He thanked Mrs. Mendoza for her comments and stated that indeed he believes the District Team had done a good job informing the community and had been working diligently to get everyone informed.

V. Consent Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented.

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

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Rojas, Mendoza, Lucero, Ruiz and Varona

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Approval of Behavior Management Handbook for Students and Parents SY20-21
- c. Approval of Recommended Award for Request for Proposal-RFP 1920-05-Copier/Printer Maintenance & Repair Services/Supplies
- d. Approval of Recommended Award for Request for Proposal – RFP 1920-04-Student Transportation Services
- e. Approval of Personnel Agenda Summary

VI. Action

- a. Approval/Adoption of FY21 School District Annual Expenditure Budget



Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented during the public hearing.

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

Dr. Varona thanked Mr. Sandoval for doing a great job.

Motion carried unanimously with roll call vote of "yay" by members:  
Ruiz, Mendoza, Rojas, Lucero and Varona

b. Recommendation to Appoint Wade Carpenter Middle School Principal

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented and recommended by the committee. He gave a brief overview of Mr. Givlin's background.

Mr. Givlin introduced himself.

Dr. Varona asked him what was his philosophy of education.

Mr. Givlin gave a brief synopsis.

Mr. Ruiz mentioned he supported and welcomed Mr. Givlin.

Mr. Rojas welcomed Mr. Givlin and wished him luck.

Mr. Lucero welcomed him and suggested focus on the leadership.

Mrs. Mendoza welcomed and looking forward to good results and wished him well.

Dr. Varona welcomed Mr. Givlin to NUSD.

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

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Ruiz, Lucero, Rojas, Mendoza and Varona

c. Approval of NUSD Anti-Racism Resolution No. R 2020-07-001

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented in connection with ASBA's recommendation.

Mrs. Mendoza made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Lucero for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Mendoza, Lucero, Rojas, Ruiz and Varona

Dr. Varona mentioned that Mr. Parra would inform ASBA the District's Board has voted and approved this resolution.

d. Approval of Resolution No. R 2020-07-002, Re: Opening of School for 2020-2021 Academic Year

Asst. Superintendent Angel Canto gave an overview of the Resolution and recommended approval as presented.

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

Motion carried unanimously by members:  
Ruiz, Lucero, Mendoza, Rojas and Varona

**VII. Information and Discussion**

- a. Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Letter to State Leaders From Arizona School Board Members Regarding School Opening Date

Superintendent Parra read ASBA's letter of recommendation and, per legal counsel's advice, recommended approval as presented.

Dr. Varona advised that due to the letter requiring only two signatures, legal counsel Susan Segal, be assigned to sign the approval on behalf of the Governing Board.

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

Mr. Rojas asked for more clarification on the letter.

Dr. Varona explained in more detail and clarified his concern.

Motion carried unanimously with roll call vote of "yay" by members:  
Ruiz, Mendoza, Rojas, Lucero and Varona

**VIII. Requests for Future Agenda Items**

Mr. Lucero asked for potential future discussion on a possible virtual welcome back for District employees.

Dr. Varona welcomed Mr. Givlin again and stated he was looking forward to a good academic year.

**IX. Adjournment**

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

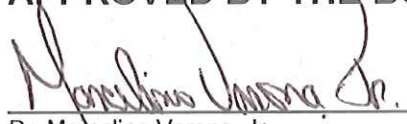
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Rojas, Ruiz, Mendoza, Lucero and Varona

**Session adjourned at 3:46 p.m.**



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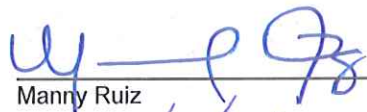
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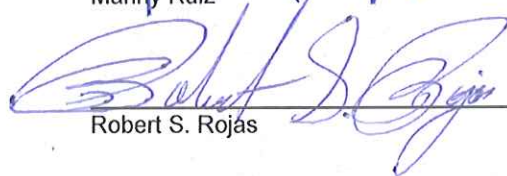
  
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Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr. President

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary  
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