Governing Council Special Meeting

Held virtually on Google Meet (see link below)

35 La Lama Rd, Questa, NM 87556

**5pm, March 9th, 2021**

Minutes

The RWCS Governing Council may take any agenda item out of order to better facilitate the business at hand.

1. Opening Business
   1. Call to Order at 5:12pm
   2. Roll Call

Members present: Robin Mayo, Aline Robertson, Amelia Eshleman, Erica Lannon. We have a quorum. Jerrod Elliot joined the meeting at 5:35.

Members absent: Jenny Lewis

Others attending: Jon Orris, RWCS Director

Approval of Agenda – Aline Robertson moves to approve the agenda, second by Amelia Eshleman. Role call vote Robin Mayo aye, Aline Robertson aye, Amelia Eshleman aye, Erica Lannon aye, motion carries

* 1. Assurances need signatures – some members joined before this form was a requirement. Now that we are renewing our contract we need to be up to date. Look for this in your email.

1. Discussion and Possible Action
   1. Facilities Committee Report – only additional info is that we don’t know what the staffing implications of maintaining remote learning will be, this may affect our funds. The $25K we held aside for the current needs of bringing students back (namely replace water fountains with bottle filling stations and purchase of retractable awnings) seems like it will still be enough.

Let the record show Jerrod Elliot has joined the meeting at 5:35

Motion made by Aline Robertson to approve spending more than the threshold amount to hire Alix Henry at Henry Architects for Facilities Master Plan revision and design of a multi-phase facility, second by Robin Mayo. Role call vote Robin Mayo aye, Aline Robertson aye, Amelia Eshleman aye, Jerrod Elliot aye, Erica Lannon aye, motion carries.

* 1. Spending threshold blanket approval for COVID - related spending.

Aline Robertson moves to approve the director be allowed to make COVID-19 related expenditures above the threshold amount but not to exceed a single expenditure amount of $20K and not to use operational funds, second by Robin Mayo. Role call vote Robin Mayo aye, Aline Robertson aye, Amelia Eshleman aye, Jerrod Elliot aye, Erica Lannon aye, motion carries.

* 1. Update on school re-entry – Mandate to return to school by April 5th was unexpected. There is contradictory info coming from PED as well as contradictions between PED and CDC guidelines. PED says do the best we can to maintain 6ft social distancing. Members express support of Jon’s potential need for more time to get ready for opening. Target date: April 12th.

1. Closing Business
   1. Adjourned at 6:02pm