

MORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
"BOARD OF EDUCATION"
Work Session
Friday, July 20, 2018

A work session of the Mora Independent School District Board of Education was held at the Administration Building Board Room located at 10 Ranger Rd., Mora, New Mexico 87732 at 8:30 a.m. on the 20th day of July 2018.

A quorum was present; the work session was called to order by Board Chairman Hurtado at 8:30 a.m. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were as follows:

ROLL CALL: Board Chairman Hurtado called for roll call:

Mr. Tranquilino Hurtado, Chairman – Present
Mr. George Trujillo, Vice Chairman – Absent
Mr. Dennis Romero, Secretary – Present
Mrs. Lillian Maestas, Member – Present
Mr. Michael Benjamin, Member – Present

ALSO PRESENT: Ella Arellano, Superintendent

Lefonso Castillo John Maldonado Maria Sanchez Monica Aragon
Jesusita Smith

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Superintendent Arellano recommended approval of agenda.
Motion made by Board Secretary Dennis Romero, 2nd by Board Member Lillian Maestas, motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Education convened in closed session for reasons listed in the Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1 (H). The authority for the executive session and the subject to be discussed must be stated with reasonable specificity in the motion calling for the vote to go into executive session.

- A. Limited Personnel Matters as permitted under Section 10-15-1 (H)(2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, (Discussion – Superintendent 6-month evaluation)**

Motion made by Board Secretary Dennis Romero, 2nd by Board Member Lillian Maestas, motion carried unanimously.
Board entered executive session at 8:35 a.m.

Board reconvened work session from Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. Board Chairman Hurtado stated that the Board of Education took no action.

A decision was made to hire Prather Consulting to provide a qualitative analysis for the district. It was decided that a staff survey would be best to capture district climate.

Motion made by Board Secretary Romero, 2nd by Board member Maestas, Motion carried unanimously

Board reconvened from executive session at 10:30 a.m.

Discussion

- A. District Hiring Manuel Amendments**
- B. Educational Policy**
- C. Valedictorian Selection**
- D. Elementary/Middle/High School Handbook revisions**

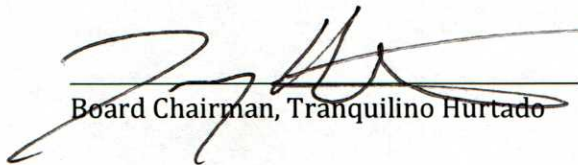
Discussion was to change school grading system implementing an A, A-grading system, the use of a 5.0 grading scale for upcoming freshman for dual credit AP and honors, No changes to valedictorian for upcoming year (there could be as many that meet the requirements), changes in the policy book to reflect board policies, board will meet to update policies on grading, cell phone both staff and students and truancy and other handbook revisions or policy's.

Work sessions will be after scheduled board meetings looking at one policy per meeting.

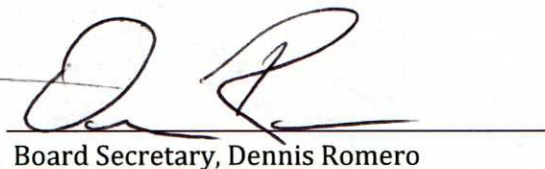
ADJOURNMENT

Motion made to adjourn work session by board member Maestas, 2nd by board secretary Romero, motion carried unanimously.

Chairman: Tranquilino Hurtado adjourned work session at 11:50 a.m.



Board Chairman, Tranquilino Hurtado



Board Secretary, Dennis Romero

Minutes submitted by: Dolores Romero
Approved: August 21, 2018