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# BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 13th, 2023

Members Present: Simon Johnson, Barbara Batts, Alvin Breeden, Connie Sanchez, Nadine Clipper and Superintendent Eugene Slocum

Absent: None

Others Present: Guests Call-To-Order (5:00 p.m.)

#### Welcome

Board Chair, Simon Johnson acknowledged and welcomed the board members and all attendees.

Invocation: Board Chair, Simon Johnson

# 1. Consideration to approve previous meeting minutes.

Board Chair, Simon Johnson wanted to take a minute for all board members to review the previous board meeting minutes. **Mr. Alvin Breeden made a motion to move and accept Junes' meeting minutes with the amendment to the misspelling of ammonia to pneumonia found in section 3; Ms. Nadine Clipper seconded by Voted: TMA** 

# 2. Finance Report

A copy of the budget was previously sent to all board members. Supt. Slocum provided an overview of the funding for the month and year ending 6/30/2023. Supt. Slocum provided an overview of the budget for this academic year beginning 7/01/2023.

# 3. Superintendents Report

Discussion and update on successful Summer School Program for 2023 with about 300 students enrolled.

Discussion on the Free Summer School Lunch provided by the county and efforts on Alpha's behalf to pick up, drop-off and store meals to provide to summer school students and our K-2 program students.

#### New Business Information

Discussion on Student Enrollment for 2023-2024 academic school year and current enrollment close to 1100 students.

Discussion on Staffing challenges due to losing staff to other counties, retirement and/or salary limitations. We have been able to hire about 14 new staff members, which includes two administrators.

Discussion on Transportation –Drivers still looking for bus drivers-Buses are equipped with cameras, and badge scanning which allows parents to know when child is on/off bus.

#### **Other Business**

Discussion on New Property Report and closing on final Land Purchase of 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres that has been accepted at the Board Approved amount of \$500,000.

Discussion on the bond agreement: Based on advisement from legal, they did not think it was a good idea. The board discussed the concerns and agreed with the findings. There was a discussion concerning the next steps.

Discussion on upcoming Board Retreat and board member attendance

Ms. Connie Sanchez made a motion to accept the Superintendent Report, Mr. Alvin Breeden seconded: Voted: TMA

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION CLOSED MEETING 5:38pm:**

Board Chair, Simon Johnson asked that at this time we close for executive session to discuss Superintendent Performance and compensation. Superintendent asked to exit meeting at this time.

**RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION 5:54pm:** Request to record and disclose motion made in executive closed meeting.

# Ms. Nadine Clipper made a motion to approve, Mr. Alvin Breeden seconded: Voted: TMA

#### 4. Public Comments

Board Chair open the floor for comments. No public expression for comment at this time.

#### 5. Comments

No other comments.

#### 6. Adjournment

#### Ms. Connie Sanchez made Motion to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Simon Johnson, Board Chair