

TAOS INTEGRATED SCHOOL OF THE ARTS GOVERNING COUNCIL

Wednesday, August 24, 2016

6:00 p.m.

210 Bendix, Taos, New Mexico

Where decisions for children are made with heart and mind!

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT
Jill Cline, President	X	
Chris Pieper		X
Johanna DeBiase-Mack, Member	X	
Ernest Ortega, Member	X	
Julee LaMure, Member	X	

Staff Present: Richard Greywolf, Director
Ashley Romero, Administrative Assistant/Minute Taker
Deanna Gomez, Business Manager (On the Phone)

Others Present: Alex Henry, Architect
Heather Nelson
Thomas Soule
Siri Soule
Kirstie Gutierrez
Charles Clayton
Carolyn Jeantette
Brendon Brady
Doug Bell
Nancy Burt

I. (1) Call to order/establish quorum
Jill Called a quorum at 6:04 p.m.

II. (2) Agenda (Action Item)
Ernest moved to approve the Agenda for June 8th. Johanna second
Aye Votes: Jill Cline, Julee LaMure, Ernest Ortega, Johanna DeBiase
No votes: 0 Abstaining votes: 0
Motion Carried 4-0

III. (3) Minutes from June 8, 20, 2016
Johanna DeBiase was not present for June 8th meeting. No objections
Julee moved to approve the Minutes of June 8th and June 20th Ernest second
Aye Votes: Jill Cline, Johanna DeBiase, Ernest Ortega, Julee LaMure
No votes: 0 Abstaining votes: 0
Motion carried 4-0

Jill moved to exit executive session at 6:20 p.m. All present toured Bendix Campus as well as classrooms.

Jill moved to move back in to executive session at 6:47 p.m. and Ernest second.

Aye Votes: Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega, Chris Pieper, Johanna DeBiase

No votes: 0 Abstaining Votes: 0

Motion Carried 4-0

IV. (4) Public Comments- Please sign the Public Attendance Sheet and limit comments to 2 minutes.

Public Comments

Heather Nelson - (1st & 3rd Graders Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** the classroom space is extremely small, classroom "filthy" first day of class, bathrooms "disgusting"
- **Requests:** Cleaning schedule, sustainable plan, increase communication with parents
- **Questions:** Where will drama and dance classes be held? Weather permitted outdoor activities
- **Offer of help:** Parents possibly rent a storage unit and help clean

Thomas Soule - (1st & 3rd Graders Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** small classroom, and shared Heather's concerns about condition of classroom
- **Requests:** Streamlined communications with parents who want to help. (Point a person to contact?)
- **Questions:** Can we utilize kitchen in any way? (Storage)
- **Offer of help:** Parents eager to help in any way, just need direction. Parents willing to buy paint and supply labor to paint classroom.

Siri Soule - (1st & 3rd Graders Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** same as above
- **Offer of help:** Offered her organizational skills to help maximize space in classroom also states she has a truck if need be.

Kirsti Gutierrez - (3rd Grade Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** same as above
- **Offer of help:** Echoed suggestion of a point person to coordinate volunteer efforts in classroom as well as wishes to donate and request donations for classroom needs.

Charles Clayton - (4th Grade Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** needs assurances that GC is executing and that there is a long term plan in place. School startup seemed very chaotic and appeared to lack coordination and follow through as well as lack in communication on future plans. Disappointed to find out that the Bendix lease is two years rather than only one. Seemed to feel that we deliberately hid this information from parents. Showed concern for future plans and our time frame.
- **Requests:** Greater transparency, better communication.

Carolyn Jeantette - (1st & 4th Graders Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** concerns around lack of a proper playground equipment (basketball goals) concerned with our Bendix parking lot and how fast people drive, Also expressed concerns about lunch hours and not having enough time.
- **Questions:** What type of heat do we have at Bendix? Alex suggested CO2 sensors for classroom and commented on lack of air circulation in the absence of forced air.

Brendon Brady - (1st & 3rd Graders Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** same as above regarding condition of 3rd grade classroom.

- **Requests:** Landlord should be made aware of our needs; need storage unit; for a 3rd Grade "Wish List"
- **Questions:** Is shelf unit properly attached to wall? (safety concerns) Can we use the kitchen at Manzanares for storage.

Doug Bell - (2nd & 4th Graders Parent)

- **Stated concerns:** Campus start times conflict and parents are having difficulty being in both places at once. Expressed concerns with radiant heat stating that studies have shown toxic interference with respiratory systems. Expressed similar concerns about the unfinished concrete in the 4th grade classroom, stating that it could create respiratory problems for the students who are exposed to it. Concerned about safety in parking lot and suggested that we utilize chain link fence to block entry from Canon--informed by other parent that that would not be an option.
- **Questions:** Concerned about people who live around campuses and who enters campuses.
- **Offer of help:** knows construction products very well and can help with selection of low VOC paint or concrete sealer to eliminate concerns for respiratory exposure to concrete dust, would like windows to be used for ventilation.

Nancy Burt - Friends of TISA Member - (2nd Grade Parent)

- **Introduced herself and described relationship between the GC Board and Friends of TISA and how we would work together toward financing construction of our new facility. Would like to see us involve parents to help with an overwhelming process that is soon taking place.**

V. (5) Review Governing Council Roles and Responsibilities

Johanna DeBiase discussed concerns she has with having to reschedule meetings when everyone should be prepared to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Possibly looking for new members (No parents).

Jill Cline discussed the need to come up with councils for

- **USDA Council**
- **Facility Council**
- **Loan/ Fiancance Council**

Facility updates to be given at upcoming meetings.

VI. (6) Financial Report –

- Financial Reports - (Action Item)
- BARS - (Action Item)
- Finance Committee Update
- Audit Committee Update

Phone conference with Deanne Gomez. We will continue next meeting, Deanna will be present for upcoming meeting on September 14, 2016.

Johanna moved to approve Financial Reports will be discussed at the next meeting Ernest Second Aye Votes: Jill Cline, Johanna DeBiase, Ernest Ortega, Julee LaMure.

No Votes: 0 Abstaining votes: 0

Motion Carried 4-0

Jill discussed the need to Restructure our Finance Committee as well as Audit Committee.

VII. (7) Director's Report

Rich Greywolf discussed our schools grade along with the rest of the county's grades and discussed what our steps and strategies we will using to improve this years grade.

VIII (8) TISA community gathering and celebration at the Toalne property

Potluck/Picnic possible on September 18th from 1 pm-4pm

Julee LaMure will help coordinate

IX. (9) Review and assign point person for bank.

Johanna DeBiase appointed Julee LaMure , Ernest second

***Next agenda- Update Treasure Finance person.**

X. (10) Closed Session – (Requires roll call vote to move into closed session; identify non council members to be invited into the closed session)

8:58 Ernest motioned to start closed session Julee second

Aye Votes: Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega, Chris Pieper, Johanna DeBiase

No votes: 0 Abstaining Votes: 0

Motion Carried 4-0

- Acquisition of real property NMSA 1978, 10-15- 1(H)(8)

XI. (11) Reconvene in Open Session (Requires that President confirms the only matters discussed in closed session where the items on the agenda, and then poll members by name to affirm or object. You never vote in closed session).

XII. (12) Action on Real Property matter discussed in closed session.

Alex Henry, Architect presented possible future plans.

XIII. (13) Adjournment

Julee Lamure moved to Adjourn at 10:42 p.m. and Ernest second.

Aye Votes: Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega, Chris Peiper, Johanna DeBiase

No votes: 0 Abstaining Votes: 0

Motion Carried 4-0

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