

**17<sup>TH</sup> CNMI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Friday, April 9, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.  
Via Google Hangouts at [meet.google.com/dgx-jgpk-vuz](https://meet.google.com/dgx-jgpk-vuz)  
Tinian Jr. Sr. High School Cafeteria**

**FINAL MINUTES**

**PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members present:**

Herman M. Atalig, SGM (Ret)  
Antonio L. Borja  
Gregory P. Borja  
Andrew L. Orsini  
Maisie B. Tenorio  
Phyllis M. Ain  
Ronald E. Snyder  
Rainalyn S. Reyes (online)

All eight (8) members present, a quorum was established.

**PSS/BOE Staff Present:**

Alfred B. Ada, Ed.D. – Commissioner of Education  
Eric Magofna – Interim Associate Commissioner for Administrative Services (ACAS)  
Tim Thornburgh – Federal Programs Office (FPO) Director  
Arlene Lizama – Finance Director  
George Palican – Internal Auditor  
Michael Babauta – Interim Comptroller  
Lucretia Borja- Human Resources Office (HRO) Director  
Tiberius Mocanu, Esq. – Legal Counsel  
Valerie K. Malwelbug – Administrative Officer  
Edward Tenorio – PSS Financial Consultant  
Ferdinand Ngirmekur - IT

**Others Present (online):**

Allison Layland  
Amber Tudela  
Arisa Sakai  
Cherlyn Osung  
Janice Muna  
Jeremiah Rother  
Jessica Taylor  
Karen Manuel  
Lynn Mendiola  
Jessica Taylor  
Evonne Cabrera  
Marian Tudela  
Martha Kintol  
Marvin Tamangided  
Melanie Rdiall  
Melisa Mendez  
Michelle Taisacan  
Jonathan Aguon  
Hilda Rios  
Naomi Nishumura  
Oswald Quitugua  
Paul Miura  
Robin Palacios  
Tanya King  
Victoria Nicholas  
Bernice Fejeran  
Dorina Castro  
Naomi Nishumura  
Arlene Lizama  
Bertha Orsini  
Lynette Villagomez  
Frank Lee Borja  
Emmylou Hocog  
Frances Santos  
Chasmyn Santos  
Maria Mendoza  
Elvie Domingniano  
Savannah Sandbergen  
Suhuron Yoon  
Tasi Long  
Yna Agbayani  
Isa Long

**Others Present (online):**

Kiran Shetha  
Mia Danganan  
Natasha Morgan  
Phillip Long

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Member Antonio L. Borja moved to adopt the agenda, Madam Secretary Maisie B. Tenorio seconded, all five (5) voting members voted yes, motion carried.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Member Gregory P. Borja moved to adopt the following meeting Minutes of December 16, 2021 Regular, January 11, 2021 Inaugural, January 28, 2021 Special, February 11, 2021 Special, February 25, 2021 Special, and March 18, 2021 Special Board meetings. Vice Chair SGM Atalig seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Student Council (STUCO) Representative Soo Yin, STUCO President Tasi Long and Kirin Chesta shared their concerns and requests for a Traditional Graduation. Mrs. Arley Long shared concerns and recommendations regarding the school parking lots, fire alarms, restrooms among others. Mr. Phillip Long and Ms. Isa Long also shared similar concerns.

**REPORTS**

FPA Chairman Herman M. Atalig reported that the committee met on April 6, 2021. The items approved by the committee are included in the agenda for Board action.

Commissioner Ada stated that Federal Programs Officer (FPO) Tim Thornburgh will report on the Federal Funds Status, Director of Finance Arlene Lizama will report on the Local Funds Status, and Head Start/Early Head Start Program (HS/EHS) Director Lathania Angui will report on the HS/EHS.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ACTION NO. 001**

Vice Chair Atalig moved to ratify the BOE-PSS Comments to Senate Bill No. 22-05, Member Gregory Borja seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

**ACTION NO. 002**

Vice Chair Atalig moved to ratify the BOE Comments to Senate Bill No. 22-21, Member Gregory Borja seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

**ACTION NO. 003**

Member Gregory Borja moved to approve the Strategic Performance Management Plan, Madam Secretary Tenorio seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

**ACTION NO. 004**

Vice Chair Atalig moved to approve the Special Education Program Part B Grant Application, Member Gregory Borja seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried

**ACTION NO. 005**

Vice Chair Atalig moved to approve the Early Intervention Program Part C Grant Application, Madam Secretary Tenorio seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

**ACTION NO. 006**

Vice Chair Atalig moved to approve the Consolidated Grant Application SY 21-22, Member Antonio Borja seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

**ACTION NO. 007**

Vice Chair Atalig moved to approve the Head Start/Early Head Start Grant (Year 3 of 5), Training and Technical Assistance Plan 2021-2022, Proposed Organizational Chart Changes, 2021 Cost Allocation Plan, and COVID-19 Budget for SY 2021-2022, Member Gregory Borja seconded, four (4) members voted yes, one (1) member recused himself (ALB), motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Member Antonio Borja moved to adjourn the meeting, Member Gregory Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.<sup>1</sup>

**CERTIFIED BY:**

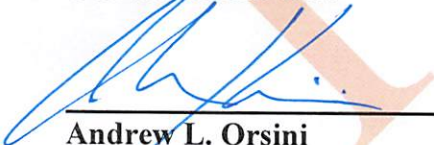


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**Maisie B. Tenorio**  
**BOE Secretary/Treasurer**

05.06.22

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**Date**

**CONCURRED BY:**



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**Andrew L. Orsini**  
**BOE Chairperson**

5/6/22

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**Date**

<sup>1</sup> This Minutes was adopted at the April 7, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.



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## CERTIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE

| Board Member       | Present | Absent | Start | End  | Start | End   | Start | End   | Total |
|--------------------|---------|--------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| AIN, Phyllis       | ✓       |        | 4:32  | 6:12 | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |
| ATALIG, Herman M.  | ✓       |        | "     | "    | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |
| BORJA, Antonio L.  | ✓       |        | "     | "    | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |
| BORJA, Gregory P.  | ✓       |        | "     | "    | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |
| ORSINI, Andrew L.  | ✓       |        | "     | "    | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |
| REYES, Rainalyn    | ✓       |        | "     | "    | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |
| SNYDER, Ronald     | ✓       |        | "     | "    | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |
| TENORIO, Maisie B. | ✓       |        | "     | "    | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | 1.83  |

PREPARED BY:

Valerie K. Malwelbug  
Administrative Officer

Date

CERTIFIED BY:

ANDREW L. ORSINI  
Chairperson, State Board of Education

Date



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| 1.  | Allison Laylend       |                      |             |
| 2.  | Anber Tudela          |                      |             |
| 3.  | Arisa Sakai           | X2                   |             |
| 4.  | Cherlyn Osleng        | FMS - principal      |             |
| 5.  | Jenice Muna           |                      |             |
| 6.  | Jeremiah Rother       |                      |             |
| 7.  | Jessica Taylor        |                      |             |
| 8.  | Karen Manuel          |                      |             |
| 9.  | Lynn Mendiccia        |                      |             |
| 10. | Jessica Taylor        |                      |             |
| 11. | Evanne Cabrera        |                      |             |
| 12. | Marian Tudela         |                      |             |
| 13. | Martha Kintol         |                      |             |
| 14. | Marvin Tamangided     |                      |             |
| 15. | Melaine Sabian Adiall | MHS - VP             |             |
| 16. | Melisa Mendez         |                      |             |
| 17. | Michelle Taisacan     |                      |             |
| 18. | Oswald Quitugua       |                      |             |
| 19. | Paul Miura            |                      |             |
| 20. | Rainalyn Reyes        | Student Rep          |             |

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| 2.  | Tanya King         | RHI-Principal        |             |
| 3.  | Tiberius Moxanu    | Legal Counsel        |             |
| 4.  | Victoria Nicholas  |                      |             |
| 5.  | Bernice fejeran    |                      |             |
| 6.  | Dorina castro      |                      |             |
| 7.  | Naomi Nishimura    |                      |             |
| 8.  | Carlene Lizama     | DOF-PSS              |             |
| 9.  | Bertha Orsini      |                      |             |
| 10. | Lynette Villagomez |                      |             |
| 11. | Frank lee Borja    |                      |             |
| 12. | Emmylou Hocog      |                      |             |
| 13. | Frances Santos     |                      |             |
| 14. | Chasmyn Santos     |                      |             |
| 15. | Marie mendoza      |                      |             |
| 16. | Robert Coldean III | SARC                 |             |
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| 1.  | Evil Domingiano     | TISHC Student        | 3:59 pm     |
| 2.  | Savannah Sandbergen | "                    | "           |
| 3.  | Sukron Voon         | "                    | "           |
| 4.  | Felsi Long          | "                    | "           |
| 5.  | Yna Agbayani        | "                    | "           |
| 6.  | Isa Long            | "                    | "           |
| 7.  | Kiran Inretha       | "                    | "           |
| 8.  | Nia Cede Danganan   | "                    | "           |
| 9.  | Natasha Morgan      | TISHC PARENT         | 4:00 pm     |
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| 1.  | Lathania Anqui | HS/ETS               | 3:59        |
| 2.  | Phillip Lovey  | Chamber Commerce     | 4:00        |
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| 2.  | Hilda Ros      | TMS                  | 4:00 PM     |
| 3.  | Jonathan Aguen | MHS                  | 4:00 pm     |
| 4.  | Alfred Lizana  | DOE                  | 4:00 pm     |
| 5.  | N. Nishimura   | KEB                  | 4:00 pm     |
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