

**16TH CNMI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
EMERGENCY SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.
Teleconference Meeting**

FINAL MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 1:46 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:

Janice A. Tenorio, M.Ed.
Herman M. Atalig, SGM (Ret)
MaryLou S. Ada, J.D.
Andrew L. Orsini
Phillip Mendiola-Long, AIFA, RF
Paul T. Miura
Galvin S. Deleon Guerrero, Ed.D.
Dionne Monique S. Torres

Five (5) voting members present, a quorum was established.

PSS/BOE Staff Present:

Charley Kenty – Interim Associate Commissioner for Administrative Services (ACAS)
Yvonne R. Pangelinan – Associate Commissioner for Student & Support Services (SSS)
Kimo Rosario – Interim Director of Finance (IDoF)
Joserin Mendiola – Interim Comptroller
Tim Thornburgh – Federal Programs Office (FPO) Director
Edward Tenorio – PSS Financial Consultant
Lucretia Borja – Human Resources Office (HRO) Director
Marian Tudela – Office of Accountability, Research and Evaluation (ARE)
Fasefulu Tigilau – ARE
Jessica Taylor – Career & Technical Education, OCI
Donna Flores – Special Education Program
Lathania Angui – Head Start/Early Head Start Program
Jesse Tenorio – Infrastructure Technology (IT)
Ferdinand Ngirmekur - IT
George Palican – Internal Auditor, COE
Tiberius Mocanu, Esq. – Legal Counsel
Valerie K. Malwelbug – Administrative Officer

PSS/BOE Staff Present:

Dale Roberts – Child Nutrition Program
Rizalina Liwag – Hopwood Middle School
Leila Staffler – Kagman High School

Phyllis Ain – William S. Reyes Elementary School

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Secretary/Treasurer MaryLou S. Ada moved to adopt the agenda, Vice Chair Herman M. Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTION NO. 001 Member Phillip Mendiola-Long moved to approve Draft A of the letter to Secretary of Finance re transfer of funds, Member Andrew L. Orsini seconded. Three (3) members voted yes (Ada, Long, Orsini), two (2) members voted no (Atalig and Tenorio).

ACTION NO. 002 Member Phillip Mendiola-Long moved to sign and forward the letter to U.S. Congressman Gregorio Kilili Sablan, Member Orsini seconded. Three (3) members voted yes (Ada, Long, Orsini), two (2) members voted no (Atalig and Tenorio).


ACTION NO. 003 Secretary/Treasurer Ada moved to approve the letter to Marianas Public Land Trust, Member Orsini seconded. Three (3) members voted yes (Ada, Long, Orsini), two (2) members voted no (Atalig and Tenorio).

Commissioner Alfred Ada and key management presented updates on Success of Grab and Go Meal Program, Release of Funds from CNMI Project Restart, Distance Education Plan, Grading, Promotion of Students and Graduation. Additional updates were presented on Hopwood Middle School, plan for lack of funding to operate the Public School System.

ACTION NO. 004 Secretary/Treasurer Ada moved to close the school campus for School Year 2019-2020 to ratify what Commissioner Ada had sent out on broadcast, Member Long seconded. Three (3) members voted yes (Ada, Long, Orsini), two (2) members voted no (Atalig and Tenorio)

ADJOURNMENT- Secretary/Treasurer Ada moved to adjourn, Vice Chair Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.¹

CERTIFIED BY:




MaryLou S. Ada, J.D.
BOE Secretary/Treasurer

05/29/2020

Date

CONCURRED BY:



Janice A. Tenorio, M.Ed.
BOE Chairperson

05/29/2020

Date

¹ This Minutes was adopted at the May 29, 2020 Special Board Meeting.