

TAOS INTEGRATED SCHOOL OF THE ARTS GOVERNING COUNCIL
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Wednesday, December 3, 2014
6:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held on December 3, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at TISA, 123 Manzanaras St. Taos. Please call 758-7755 for more information.

GC Members Present: Chris Pieper, President, Giovanna Paponetti, Secretary, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega

GC Members Absent: Johanna DeBiase-Mack

Staff Members: Susan Germann, Director, Deanna Gomez, Business Manager

AGENDA

- I. Call to order and establish quorum**
Chris Pieper called to order a quorum at 6:12 p.m.

- II. Action Item – Approval of Agenda**
Ernest Ortega made a motion to approve the agenda. Jill Cline second.
Roll call vote: Aye votes: Chis Pieper, Giovanna Paponetti, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega. No votes:
Abstaining votes: 0. Motion carried 4-0

- III. Action Item – Approval of November 12, 2014 Meeting Minutes**
Jill Cline made a motion to approve the November 12, 2014 meeting minutes. Ernest Ortega second.
Roll call vote: Aye votes: Chis Pieper, Giovanna Paponetti, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega. No votes:
Abstaining votes: 0. Motion carried 4-0

- IV. Action Item – Elect Vice-Chair of Governing council**
Ernest Ortega made a motion to elect Jill Cline. Giovanna Paponetti second.
Roll call vote: Aye votes: Chis Pieper, Giovanna Paponetti, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega. No votes:
Abstaining votes: 0. Motion carried 4-0

- V. Teacher Presentation – Alexandra Collignon and Linda Seto**
Linda Seto- sub-standard building, heating, water, septic use, inadequate bathrooms, security consideration issues, sharing with another business where they smoke, people walk through to get through to the TCEDC, the roof is in very poor condition, location is no what is preferred to be half the distance from town. The bathrooms are not adequate for the amount of kids the buildings will hold especially not using the other businesses bathrooms. Linda does think that where ever we go we can fix, but we should buy new.
Alexandra would like to see the Salazar campus repurposed but slowly she is seeing the bad outweigh the good. Not enough bathrooms for students and teachers, no playgrounds for the elementary students for developmental purposes. We need a lunch room, art studio, specials, computer lab, and storage with closet space and transportation is a huge consideration if we do build new, we need to include money for a bus in the budget and the roof completely needs to be replaced. Alexandra doesn't feel that the Salazar campus will be able to be fixed for a school to hold K-8. Both teachers believe that buying property and building a new building will be in the best interest of TISA.

- VI. Discussion Item – E-Occupancy**
TISA has obtained the E-Occupancy for the Salazar campus, and will continue to move forward with the installation of an exterior door for the 3rd grade classroom.

- VII. Action Item- Facilities Committee**

Susan has advised the board that the school attorney informed the school that we need a facilities committee and Jill believes we should have a teacher from each campus and one board member along with a parent or two. Jill Cline will like to make a motion that the TISA board to re-establish a facilities committee of five people, two teachers, one from each campus, two board members, and one parent that will be asked by the Superintendent. Ernest Ortega second.

Roll call vote: Aye votes: Chis Pieper, Giovanna Paponetti, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega. No votes: Abstaining votes: 0. Motion carried 4-0

VIII. Financial Report – Discussion and Approval

a. Action Item – BARS

Ernest Ortega made a motion to approve the BARS as presented. Jill Cline second

Roll call vote: Aye votes: Chis Pieper, Giovanna Paponetti, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega. No votes: Abstaining votes: 0. Motion carried 4-0

b. Action Item - Audit Committee – Deanna

The audit is still as usual-no update.

c. Action Item - Finance Committee – Deanna

A finance committee will need to be scheduled.

d. Audit - Deanna

IX. Discussion Item – Charter Renewal Analysis and Response

Susan passed around the Charter Renewal Analysis and Response that she received from the state. The school attorney drafted up a letter with a copy of the E-Occupancy and submitted it to the PEC. Deanna is sure the school will be up for renewal. Susan tells the board that she always overlooks the agendas and did not see the school on the agenda. Deanna states that on the November PEC agenda it only stated Taos which could have meant any charter from Taos. Susan states that she is working with students in the Q1 in which we had 27 students and 10 of those students left. She also explains to the board that the state does not look at the growth for the same students as the previous year. New students are evaluated and targeted to determine the schools growth weather the students attended a different school before or not. Ernie states the charter schools are able to accept the students who fall in the cracks with public schools and have a positive outcome with those students. Susan states that the school itself would not be able to apply for the loan, but Deanna states that we can enter into a lease purchase agreement. Susan notified the board that she submitted the response to the charter renewal and now she has to wait to hear what day the school will need to respond to the PEC. TISA is the 4th school on the agenda, but there are many items that are on the agenda before they actually get to the schools. TISA is looking at either Wednesday or Thursday of next week, 12/10 or 12/11.

X. Discussion Item – Governing Council Training

Jill Cline wanted to discuss things that came up from the GC training that raised awareness about certain items that can be found in the governing council by-laws and parents that sit on the TISA board.

XI. Public Comments – Please sign the Public Attendance sheet and limit comments to 2-5 minutes.

None

XII. Executive Session: - Facilities Personnel

Executive Session: The Governing Council may, if necessary, enter into executive session limited to discussions regarding personnel or facility matters, No action will be taken in executive session.

(in accordance with the NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1(H)(2))

Ernest Ortega made a motion to go into executive session at 7:25 p.m. Chris Pieper second.

Roll call vote: Aye votes: Chis Pieper, Giovanna Paponetti, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega. No votes: Abstaining votes: 0. Motion carried 4-0

Jill Cline made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:54 p.m. Ernest Ortega second.

Roll call vote: Aye votes: Chis Pieper, Giovanna Paponetti, Jill Cline, Ernest Ortega. No votes: Abstaining votes: 0. Motion carried 4-0

XIII. Adjournment

Chris Pieper made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Giovanna Paponetti second.