

NEW MEXICO SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS
Governing Council Meeting

Tuesday, August 4, 2015, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm Meeting

New Mexico School for the Arts—High School
202 E. Marcy St.
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Minutes Approved

NMSA provides access to a rigorous mastery arts and academic high school education for youth with passion and aptitude in the arts, leading to post-secondary learning, careers in the arts, and lives that contribute to society.

- I. Call to Order Sherry Thompson

Sherry Thompson called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

- II. Reading of Mission Statement Sherry Thompson

The Mission Statement was ready by Sherry Thompson.

In attendance were NMSA Council Members:

Sherry Thompson, Chair
Vickie Sewing, Vice Chair
Paula Tackett, Secretary
Bill Beacham, Member
Trina Raper, Member
Doddie Espinosa, Member – via phone

Excused Governing Council Member:

Catherine Oppenheimer

NMSA High School Staff Present:

Cindy Montoya, Head of School
Gayle McGuiness, School Secretary
Jolene Jaramillo, Business Manager
Beverly Aguilar, Business Manager
Alfredo Diaz, Aptability

- III. Introduction of New Governing Council Member Sherry Thompson

All Council Members introduced themselves to our new member, Bill Beacham.

- IV. Welcome Back of Doddie Espinosa Sherry Thompson

Sherry Thompson welcomed by Doddie Espinosa

- V. Approval of Agenda Sherry Thompson

Paula Tackett made a motion to approve the Agenda. Vickie Sewing seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

- VI. Public Forum Sherry Thompson

Sherry Thompson asked if there were any individuals requesting a Public Forum.

No public were in attendance.

VII. Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 29, 2015 Sherry Thompson

Vickie Sewing made a motion to approve the June 29, 2015 Governing Council Meeting Minutes. Paula Tackett seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

VIII. Approval of Meeting Minutes for July 21, 2015 Sherry Thompson

Vickie Sewing made a motion to approve the May 5, 2015 Governing Council Meeting Minutes. Paula Tackett seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

IX. Approval of 2015-2016 Amended Student/Family Handbook Sherry Thompson

Paula Tackett made a motion to approve the Student/Family Handbook as amended and with a correction to 4.5 EXCUSE FROM PHYSICAL EDUCATION, THEATER, DANCE, VISUAL ARTS AND DANCE CLASSES. Trina Raper seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

X. Approval of Title IX Assurance Sherry Thompson

Vickie Sewing made a motion to approve the Title IX Assurance. Paula Tackett seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

XI. Approval of Amended Title 1 Application Sherry Thompson

This item was tabled until the next Governing Council Meeting

XII. Approval of NMAA Contract Sherry Thompson

Vickie Sewing made a motion to approve the NMAA Contract. Doddie Espinosa seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

XIII. Consent Agenda Sherry Thompson

- Approval of Tardy Policy
- Approval of Employee Grievance Policy
- Approval of Insurance and Injury Policy

Vickie Sewing moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended with corrections. Paula Tackett seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

XIV. Discussion Items Sherry Thompson

a. Change of Logo for High School

After a brief discussion regarding a new logo for the High School, this discussion will be moved to an action item at the next Council Meeting.

b. NMCCS Training for SY 2015-16

Governing Council members are required to have six hours of training each school year, and six hours are required for new members. The report of members Governing Council Training hours will be published in a newspaper by November 15, 2015.

c. Use of NMSA email

Council Members were reminded that if a personal email was used regarding NMSA business, it could be subpoenaed. All communication will take place through the School issued email.

- XV. Business Managers Report** Jennifer Jaramillo/Beverly Aguilar
 a. Audit Report Status Update

Jolene Jaramillo stated that there were no details that could be shared at this time regarding the Audit, as it is still in the review process with the State Auditors.

b. Approval of BARs

No BARs at this time.

c. Food Services Update

The effort to secure a food service provider is still in process and we should be offering school lunch beginning on August 17, 2015.

- XVI. Head of School Report** Cindy Montoya
 Adaptive Strategic Plan Presentation

Cindy Montoya stated that our Goals are: 1. Strategic Plan Implementation; 2. Healthy Boundaries; 3. School Grade of A; 4. Technology. The presentation has been tabled until the September meeting.

- XVII. Executive Session** Sherry Thompson
 a. Facilities
 b. Personnel

Paula Tackett made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Facilities and Personnel. Vickie Sewing seconded the motion.

A roll call was taken by Gayle McGuiness.

Sherry Thompson	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Trina Raper	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Vickie Sewing	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Paula Tackett	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Bill Beacham	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Doddie Espinosa	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No

The Governing Council moved into Executive Session at 2:25 pm in order to discuss Facilities and Personnel.

Trina Raper made a motion to exit Executive Session. Paula Tackett seconded the motion.

A roll call was taken by Cindy Montoya.

Sherry Thompson	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Trina Raper	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Vickie Sewing	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Paula Tackett	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Bill Beacham	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No
Doddie Espinosa	<u> X </u> Yes	___ No

Discussion in Executive Session concluded at 2:55 pm with only Facilities and Personnel being discussed. No action was taken.

- XVIII. Adjournment** Sherry Thompson

Trina Raper made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Paula Tackett seconded the motion.

The motion passed with a 6-0 unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at _____ pm.



Gayle McGuinness, Secretary/Date



Paula Tackett, Governing Council, Secretary/Date

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