

NEW MEXICO SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS
Governing Council Special Meeting
Thursday, May 21, 2020 from 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm Meeting
New Mexico School for the Arts—High School

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Special Meeting Agenda

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 Bill Beacham

Bill Beacham called the meeting to order at 3:52 pm

II. Reading of Mission Statement Bill Beacham

Bill Beacham read the Mission Statement to the Council

III. Governing Council Attendance as Indicated on Sign-In Sheet & Roll Call **Bill Beacham**

NMSA Council Members Present via Google Hangouts:

Bill Beacham, Chair
Dr. Michael Kaplan, Vice Chair
Paula Tackett, Secretary
Cynthia Nava
Trina Raper

NMSA High School Staff Present via Google Hangouts:

Eric Crites, Head of School
Gayle McGuiness, Asst. Business Manager
Nathan Rubinfeld, Executive Administrative Asst.

Art Institute Staff Present via Google Hangouts:

Cindy Montoya, President

Public Present via Google Hangouts:

Pamela Saunders-Albin

IV. Approval of Agenda Bill Beacham

Paula Tackett made a motion to approve the Agenda. Cynthia Nava seconded the motion. Bill Beacham asked if there was any further discussion needed on the motion.

Roll call was taken by Gayle McGuiness:

**Bill Beacham – Yes
Dr. Kaplan - Yes
Paula Tackett – Yes**

Trina Raper – Yes
Cynthia Nava - Yes

The motion carried.

- V. Public Forum Bill Beacham**

Bill Beacham asked if there were any members of the public present. Pamela Saunders-Albin was in attendance.

- VI. Motion to approve the First Amendment to the Development Agreement between NMSA -AI and the NMSA to expand the area designated for a new subdivided unit for the Cafeteria.**

Paula Tackett

Cynthia Nava made a motion to approve the First Amendment to the Development Agreement between NMSA -AI and the NMSA to expand the area designated for a new subdivided unit for the Cafeteria. Trina Raper seconded the motion. Bill Beacham asked if there was any further discussion needed on the motion. A brief discussion followed.

Roll call was taken by Gayle McGuiness:

Bill Beacham – Yes
Dr. Kaplan - Yes
Paula Tackett – Yes
Trina Raper – Yes
Cynthia Nava - Yes

The motion carried.

- VII. Discussion of Residential Program 2020-2021 School Year Eric Crites**

Eric and Cindy led a discussion regarding the feasibility of operating the dorms at Immaculate Heart of Mary for the upcoming school year. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic and the close quarters of the space, there may not be a safe way to adhere to the CDC guidelines regarding social distancing. There is uncertainty on what the model for returning to school in the Fall would look like, and if there is a 'hybrid' model, it could lead to a student remaining in their dorm room for an excessive amount of time.

The Council requested that Eric and Cindy develop several options that can be presented and voted on at the June 3 meeting.

- VIII. Adjournment Bill Beacham**

Dr. Kaplan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Paula Tackett seconded the motion. Bill Beacham asked if there was any further discussion needed on the motion. No further Discussion was necessary.

Roll call was taken by Gayle McGuiness:

Bill Beacham – Yes
Dr. Kaplan - Yes
Paula Tackett – Yes
Trina Raper – Yes

Cynthia Nava - Yes

The motion carried.

Bill Beacham declared the meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Gayle McGuinness, Assistant Business Manager/Date

Paula Tackett, Governing Council, Secretary/Date

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