# LOS MOLINOS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION

## **MEETING MINUTES**

April 18, 2024, 6:00PM Closed Session, 7:45PM LMUSD, LMHS

Voting Members
Barbara Morgan, President
Melissa Peters, Vice President
Sue Knox, Clerk
Roger Mesecher, Trustee
Krista Andersen, Trustee
Lidia Mekhail, Trustee
Chuck Crossland. Trustee

Non-Voting Members Mr. Adame, Superintendent

#### A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

#### B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Barbara Morgan, Board Member President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Chuck Crossland. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

#### D. LMTA AND CSEA UPDATES

Alesha Thurman, LMTA President addressed the school board reagrding gratitude in finalizing negotiations. Looks forward to continue working at LMUSD.

#### E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Maintenance and Transportation Director Oscar Juarez addressed the board regarding the positive impact of the superintendent since 2017. Marcie Skelton addressed the board regarding the brown act and website transparency. Regina Ferrara addressed the board regarding interdistrict transfer conditions, legal requests addressed to her from district administration, and staff turnover rate. Steve Novo addressed the board regarding district administration, staff turnover, and superintendent contract. Troy Mischell addressed the board regarding staff turnover. Jennifer Jones addressed the board regarding district benchmark scores, educational standards, and district leadership. DeAnn Himes addressed the board regarding district leadership and staff turnover. Jennie Bachmeyer addressed the board regarding district culture during her tenure as principal. Valeria Mendez addressed the board regarding her son's past LMHS discipline actions and lack of support from administration. Greg Jones addressed the board regarding lack of LMUSD traditions, and need for community unity. Graig Smith addressed the board regarding support for nonreelected Teacher, Mr. Sutton, and lack of district leadership. Speero Tannous addressed the board regarding the need for higher safety for students at LMHS. LME Teacher Kristina Zarate addressed the board regarding her positive experience with district administration and her experience living in Los Molinos. Student Nataly Garcia addressed the board regarding the need for the board to be respectful when others are addressing the board. Past LMHS Principal addressed the board regarding being held accountable during his tenure and the need for the board to hold superintendent the same. LME Teacher, Ashely Ellis addressed the board regarding her positive experience with district administration and support she has received. LMHS student Logan Ellis addressed the board regarding his positive experience with the superintendent and support he received. LMHS student, Dylan Soledad addressed the board that he and Ag Teacher, Mr. Sutton are the ones that completed the barn and not the superintendent.

#### F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Roger Mesecher. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

#### G. VISITORS

Teacher, Ms. Ellis and students, Taylor Gilbert, Audrey Eldredge and Emma Andersen gave an informative FFA update on current and upcoming events and competitions.

#### H. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Monthly Interdistrict Report
- 2. Enrollment Report LMHS, LME & VES
- 3. Scholarships

CBO, Ms. Landingham reported the Scholarship Committee will meet on May 7th, 2024 to determine awardees.

#### I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Adame addressed the board regarding the High School animal barn and appreciation for Clint Brewer and his crew of workers for all of thier hard work and dedication to renovating the highschool animal barn. CAASPP testing had started and LMUSD was showcased in a Mindsets! Math Case Study.

#### I. CBO'S REPORT

None.

#### K. ACTION ITEMS

Approval of District Academic Calendar for 2024-2025
 Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Krista Andersen. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

## 2. Williams Quarterly Report

Moved by Roger Mesecher and seconded by Chuck Crossland. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

3. Approve Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan Guide 2024-2025 Moved by Roger Mesecher and seconded Lidia Mekhail. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

## 4. Accept Resignation Letter from:

- John Calonico, LMHS Principal
   Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Chuck Crossland. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye,
   Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.
- 5. Accept Appointment, Megan Weiss as LMHS High School Principal 24-25 School Year Moved by Roger Mesecher and seconded by Krista Andersen. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

## 6. Approve Employment for:

- a. Marjorie Johnson, LME Teacher 24-25 School Year Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Lidia Mekhail. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.
- b. Brendon Polick, Varsity Boys Basketball Coach 24-25 School Year Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Lidia Mekhail. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.
- c. Matthew Anderson, LMHS RSP Teacher 24-25 School Year Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Chuck Crossland. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

- d. Kyle Long, LMHS Ag Mechanics Teacher 24-25 School Year Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Chuck Crossland. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.
- e. Lauren Hickey-Woodcook, LMUSD School Social Worker 24-25 School Year Moved by Melissa Peters and seconded by Chuck Crossland. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

### L. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Mr. Calonico, LMHS addressed the board on curriculum, instruction, school climate, sports and upcoming school events.
- Mr. Rowe, LME addressed the board on curriculum, instruction, sports, and campus culture.
- Mrs. Merlo, VES addressed the board on student activities, welcomed Ag Teacher, Mr. Long and spoke on behalf of LMHS Principal, Mr. Calonico and LMHS Assistant Prinicpal, Ms. Weiss.

## M. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Student Body Accounts
  - Los Molinos High School
  - Los Molinos Elementary School
  - Vina Elementary School

Moved by Roger Mesecher and seconded by Melissa Peters. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

2. Current Monthly Bills

Moved by Roger Mesecher and seconded by Melissa Peters. Motion carried 6-0. Andersen aye, Mekhail aye, Peters aye, Morgan aye, Crossland aye, Mesecher aye. Knox absent.

#### N. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

1. Superintendent Evaluation

## O. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Superintendent, Mr. Adame was advised of his evaluation and his contract will stay intact.

## P. ITEMS TO BE INLCUDED ON THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024 AGENDA

- Staff Assignments for 2024-2025
- Superintendent's Award for Spring
- Approve 2024 Graduates for LMHS, LME and VES, Signing Diplomas
- Year End Closing Resolution for 2023-24 Budget Year

# Q. ADJOURNMENT

9:27PM