

SIX DIRECTIONS INDIGENOUS SCHOOL

SDIS – GC Meeting

February 18th, 2020

6:00pm, SDIS, 2055 NM-602, Gallup, NM 87301

MISSION STATEMENT

The Six Directions Indigenous School, through a commitment to culturally relevant indigenous education and interdisciplinary project-based learning, will develop critically conscious students who are engaged in their communities, demonstrate holistic well-being, and have a personal plan for succeeding in post-secondary opportunities.

- I. Call to Order – Chair Lowery 6:08 pm
- II. Roll Call – Chair Lowery
Present: Wilhelmina Yazzie, Lane Towery, Karen Malone (telephonically), Oliver Tapaha (telephonically), Susan Estrada (telephonically).
Others present: Amber Pena; Business Manager (telephonically), Tony Archuleta; Head Administrator, Renee' Cleveland (Recorder)
Mission statement was read by Wilelmina Yazzie
- III. Approval of Agenda
Susan Estrada made a motion seconded by Oliver Tapaha to approve the agenda. Susan Estrada, Oliver Tapaha, Karen Malone, Wilelmina Yazzie and Lane Towery voted Yes, there were no votes cast in the negative.
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - a. January 15th, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
Karen Malone made a motion seconded by Susan Estrada to approve the January 15th, 2020 minutes. Susan Estrada, Oliver Tapaha, Karen Malone, Wilelmina Yazzie and Lane Towery voted Yes, there were no votes cast in the negative.
- V. Public Comment
There were no public comments
- VI. Informational
 - a. Finance Report – Business Manager, Amber Pena
Amber Peña presented the monthly reports and took questions from the Governing Council members.
 - b. Head Administrator's Report – Tony Archuleta
Mr. Archuleta presented his monthly report and took questions from the Governing Council Members.
 - c. Open Meetings Act, Inspections of Public Records Act, Government Conduct Act Presentation – Abby Lewis

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Ms. Lewis, school attorney, presented a training to Governing Council members on the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, Inspection of Public Records Act, and the Government Conduct Act.

VII. Action Items

a. Budget Adjustment Requests

Susan Estrada made a motion seconded by Wilhelmina Yazzie to approve the Budget Adjustment Request. Susan Estrada, Oliver Tapaha, Karen Malone, Wilhelmina Yazzie, and Lane Towery voted Yes, there were no votes cast in the negative.

b. IPRA Policy Update

Oliver Tapaha made a motion seconded by Susan Estrada to approve the IPRA Policy Update. Susan Estrada, Oliver Tapaha, Karen Malone, Wilhelmina Yazzie and Lane Towery voted Yes, there were no votes cast in the negative.

d. Financial Code of Conduct Policy

Karen Malone made a motion seconded by Susan Estrada to approve the Financial Code of Conduct Policy. Susan Estrada, Oliver Tapaha, Karen Malone, Wilhelmina Yazzie and Lane Towery voted Yes, there were no votes cast in the negative.

e. Head Administrator Job Description

Susan Estrada made a motion seconded by Karen Malone to approve the Head Administrator's Job Description with a base salary of \$95,000.00. Susan Estrada, Oliver Tapaha, Karen Malone, Wilhelmina Yazzie and Lane Towery voted Yes, there were no votes cast in the negative.

VIII. Discussion Items

a. Student and Family Handbook first read

Members read a portion of the Student and Family Handbook with proposed edits and gave feedback, particularly regarding student discipline and restorative practices.

b. Strategic Plan – input from staff planning

Mr. Archuleta updated the Governing Council that the staff intends to participate in a strategic planning initiative during the staff professional development days scheduled after school closure at the end of May.

c. Head Administrator Evaluation Tool

Oliver Tapaha presented updates to the Head Administrator Evaluation Tool, developed from research about culturally responsive practices and school leadership. Members gave feedback and made suggestions for next steps.

d. Equity Council

Chair Towery inquired about the status of the school equity council pursuant to new PED requirements and Mr. Archuleta gave an update on its development.

e. Governing Council email use

Chair Towery suggested that members use Six Directions email accounts and offered to have email addresses created. Members Malone and Yazzie requested such email addresses be created.

f. March Agenda

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Members and Head Administrator Archuleta made requests for March agenda items.

IX. Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(2) NMSA 1978, the Board will meet in closed session to discuss limited personnel matters.

a. Motion made by Susan Estrada to enter closed session pursuant to 10-15-1(H)(2) NMSA 1978 to discuss limited personnel matters. Seconded by Wilhelmina Yazzie.

- Yes: Malone, Tapaha, Towery, Yazzie, Estrada.
- No: None
- Abstain: none

Discussion in Closed Session was limited to the item listed.

Oliver Tapaha made a motion seconded by Susan Estrada to approve the Head Administrator contract for Tony Archuleta. Susan Estrada, Oliver Tapaha, Karen Malone, Wilhelmina Yazzie and Lane Towery voted Yes, there were no votes cast in the negative.

Meeting Adjourned by Chair, Lane Towery at 8:40 PM.

Approved by the Six Directions Governing Council March 25th, 2020.

Chair:

