

**MINUTES**  
**BLOOMFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 20, 2022 (6:00 PM)**

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**ROLL CALL**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	Dale Maes Tony DeHerrera Joel Gunn Darrell Nichols
<b>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:</b>	Ben Woody, Jr.
<b>SUPERINTENDENT:</b>	Dr. Kimberly Mizell
<b>ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	See Sign-In Sheet

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1 Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Determination of Quorum**

The Bloomfield School District Board of Education held a board meeting on Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., in the Administration Building Boardroom, 325 N Bergin Lane, Bloomfield, NM 87413, rescheduled from Tuesday, April 12, 2022. A determination of a quorum was made followed by the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

**2.0 MEETING AGENDA**

**2.1 Approval of Meeting Agenda**

The meeting agenda was reviewed in the workshop where item 8.5 Approval of Receptionist Position at Administration was to be removed as the decision was made to restructure and the position is no longer requested.

**AMENDED - Motion**

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of the current meeting agenda with the removal of item 8.5.

Member (**Joel Gunn**) Moved, Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Seconded to approve the **AMENDED** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of the current meeting agenda with the removal of item 8.5'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

**3.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

**3.1 Approval of Consent Agenda to include Previous Meeting Minutes and Travel Requests**

Minutes from March 8, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.  
Travel Requests:

- April 12: NM Facilities Management Assoc. Meeting, Albuquerque, NM
- April 24-26: RISE Convening, Albuquerque, NM
- April 26-27 or 27-28: THRIVE Convening, Albuquerque, NM
- June 2-4: School Law Conference, Albuquerque, NM
- June 26-30: PowerSchool University, Anaheim, CA
- July 10-14: PowerSchool University, Boston, MA
- July 14-16: NMSBA Leadership Retreat, Santa Fe, NM

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of the consent agenda.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Moved, Member (**Darrell Nichols**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of the consent agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

## 4.0 BUSINESS CONSENT AGENDA

### 4.1 Approval of Business Consent Agenda

Business Consent Agenda includes a two Budget Increase BARs and numerous Maintenance BARs for March.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of the Business Consent Agenda

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Darrell Nichols**) Moved, Member (**Joel Gunn**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of the Business Consent Agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

## 5.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/DISCUSSION

### 5.1 Report & Discussion of District Activities - Dr. Mizell

Dr. Mizell reported on district activities during the work session including a typed report. She then introduced a guest speaker, Mr. Ryan Lane.

Mr. Lane greeted the Board and introduced himself, Representative District 3, San Juan County. He serves on the House Appropriations and Finance, Education, and Enrolling and Engrossing-B Committees and is Interim on several more committees. Just completed a 30-day legislative session, which is limited to budget hearings and Governor's call. The budget is currently the largest in the state's history, with the largest reserve in the state's history as well. Budget items included state employee increases, teacher salary increases, and transportation funding. Transportation ridership counts were based on the 2019 count, as hold harmless again. Don't expect that will continue past this year. There was \$10 million allocated for vocation and trade schools. The lottery scholarship fund is fully funded, for the first time.

Educational issues included teacher vacancies, teacher residency programs and mentorship programs. The program would be based on a 3 year course load with two semesters of student teaching. A stipend of \$35,000 would be paid to the aspiring teacher and they would agree to teach 3 years in the district. There were also changes to the return to work status, lowering the return to just 90 days. This would allow for the retired employee to work up to 3 years and would promote keeping experience in the state.

## 6.0 PRESENTATIONS

### 6.1 Mesa Alta Jr High School - Mr. Mize

Mr. Mize shared a PowerPoint presentation. He announced that Mrs. Holly Alderete, 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, has the highest CIA scores across the district. To allow for teachers to have professional development and time to do data, began Wacky Wednesdays at the beginning of the year. They were held in the mornings; however, it was tough for the beginning of the day so it was moved to the end of the day on Wednesdays. Students are still making ‘memories’ as they continue to decorate the school hallways. Held a staff vs. student basketball game, the staff lost. In the past, the junior high issued a yearbook every other year, beginning this year the yearbook will be yearly. The school participated in a survey asking ‘what can we do better’ and the top rated answer was community involvement. This year we have had appreciation days and have asked for community involvement such as the community writing staff letters of appreciation, providing lunch, etc.

### 6.2 Graduation Rates - Mr. Olivas

Mr. Olivas shared three years of graduation rate data, 2014-2021, to show impact. In 2014, we had a 59.1% graduation rate. In 2017-2018 changes were being seen, which can be attributed to having the right people in the right place (i.e.: Mr. Benavidez at CYB). And in 2021 we had a 71.26 graduation rate. Some explain the increase as proficiency or teaching to test. However, the graduation rate increases when students pass classes, pass tests, and get the final grade. There have been 4 different schools visit CYB to see how a credit recovery high school works. Truth is, a traditional high school is not for everyone just as online learning is not for everyone either. Are we equitable, yes. Our Native graduation rate is 78%! This shows that Bloomfield offers an equitable education. With only 20% of high school students attending college after graduation, we provide elevated instruction; we don’t teach to the lowest... we teach to all. We continually see an increasing graduation rate throughout the years.

## 7.0 INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD

### 7.1 Bloomfield Association of Classroom Teachers (BACT)

No BACT Representative present.

### 7.2 National Education Association (NEA - Bloomfield)

No NEA Representative present.

### 7.3 Public Commentary

No Public Commentary received.

The Bloomfield School District Board of Education welcomes public comments during its regular board meetings to offer suggestions on topics relevant to the Bloomfield Schools District. Topics may include suggestions for improving district services, policies, items currently on the meeting agenda, and etc. Citizens who wish to speak during Board of Education meetings should register with the administration office by noon the day preceding the meeting by completing the Request to Address Board form. Your request must be confirmed before your name will be placed on the list of possible speakers.

## 8.0 ACTION ITEMS

### 8.1 Approval of 2nd Continuation of the Concession Award to DJ's Pizza Place, Owner Dale Maes

The annual review of the FY22/23 Concession Services Contract with DJ's Pizza Place, owner Dale Maes. The RFP states the contract needs to be reviewed annually with the option to renew for three (3) additional years.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of 2nd Continuation of the Concession Award to DJ's Pizza Place, Owner Dale Maes

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Joel Gunn)** Moved, Member **(Darrell Nichols)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of 2nd Continuation of the Concession Award to DJ's Pizza Place, Owner Dale Maes'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **3** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 3 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Abstain
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

**8.2 Approval of Fundraiser Requests**

Fundraiser Requests: Bloomfield High School \*Co-Ed Varsity Cheer -Concession at 4-H Rodeo and State Sanction Rodeo -Krispy Kreme Donut Sales

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of the Fundraiser Requests

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Tony DeHerrera)** Moved, Member **(Joel Gunn)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of the Fundraiser Requests'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

**8.3 Approval of Activity Requests**

Activity Requests:

- \*University of New Mexico American Indian Day, Albuquerque, NM
- \*New Mexico Military Institute (NMMI) Tour, Roswell, NM
- \*SJC/FLC Hawk Tank Final Competition, Durango, CO
- \*Blanco: Swimming at Bloomfield Aquatic Center, Bloomfield, NM
- \*Senior Field Trip to Main Event Entertainment, Albuquerque, NM
- \*Central 3rd Grade Class: Bloomfield Aquatic Center, Bloomfield, NM

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of the Activity Requests

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Darrell Nichols)** Moved, Member **(Tony DeHerrera)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of the Activity Requests'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

**8.4 Approval of Academic Calendar for 2022-2023**

The 2022-2023 calendar has a start date of August 15th for transition students, and August 16th for remaining students expect PreK which will begin on August 23rd. Graduation will be on May 19th for both BHS and CYB and the last day of school will be May 26th. Mondays will be early release days to allow for teacher training.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Academic Calendar for 2022-2023

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Joel Gunn)** Moved, Member **(Darrell Nichols)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of Academic Calendar for 2022-2023'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

### **8.5 Approval of Receptionist Position at Administration**

The decision was made to restructure and the position is no longer requested.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Receptionist Position at Administration  
**WITHDRAWN - Motion**

The agenda was approved with the amendment of 8.5.

### **8.6 Approval of Additional Occupational Therapist**

The current Occupational Therapist (OT) provides services for 61 students between all 7 school sites. Services include, but are not limited to, evaluations, reporting, IEP preparation, meetings, entering notes into required software, etc. By hiring an additional OT, the current caseload will lighten per provider ensuring better services are being provided.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Additional Occupational Therapist  
**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Tony DeHerrera)** Moved, Member **(Darrell Nichols)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of Additional Occupational Therapist'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

### **8.7 Approval of Instructional Resource Specialist at BHS**

The Instructional Resource Specialist (IRS) will support continuing instructional improvements, improved learning, and facilitate the professional growth of teachers.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Instructional Resource Specialist at BHS  
**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Darrell Nichols)** Moved, Member **(Joel Gunn)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of Instructional Resource Specialist at BHS'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

### **8.8 Approval of Academic Cohort Coach at BHS**

The Academic Cohort Coach (ACC) will provide extra support to at-risk students to help them graduate with their 4-year cohort, which will improve graduation rates. Support is needed for the bottom 20% of students.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Academic Cohort Coach at BHS  
**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Joel Gunn**) Moved, Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of Academic Cohort Coach at BHS'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

### **8.9 Approval of MLSS and Assessment Coordinator**

State changes and mandates in regards to expectations in multi-layered system of support (MLSS) and assessment at the district level requires a dedicated staff member for support.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of MLSS and Assessment Coordinator

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Moved, Member (**Darrell Nichols**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of MLSS and Assessment Coordinator'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

### **8.10 Approval of Revisions to the Nutrition Section of the District Wellness Policy**

The Public Education Department required additional information in the nutrition section of the District Wellness Policy to be in compliance. The changes were made and will be submitted to the NMPED upon approval. The policy will be reviewed further for additional updates and approvals.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Revisions to the Nutrition Section of the District Wellness Policy

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Darrell Nichols**) Moved, Member (**Joel Gunn**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of Revisions to the Nutrition Section of the District Wellness Policy'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

### **8.11 Approval of Impact Aid IPP Revisions**

The Impact Aid application was submitted, as preapproved by the Board. Revisions were requested and completed regarding the Impact Aid Indian Policy and Procedures (IPP) with the Indian Education Committee (IEC) approval to be in compliance.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Impact Aid IPP Revisions

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Moved, Member (**Joel Gunn**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of Impact Aid IPP Revisions'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes

Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

### **8.12 Approval of Bilingual Application, Title 1, 2 and 3 Application: IED Grant**

The NMPED application was submitted, as per preapproval by the Board. Overview of district-wide funding programs will be provided.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval of Bilingual Application, Title 1, 2 and 3 Application: IED Grant

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Joel Gunn**) Moved, Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval of Bilingual Application, Title 1, 2 and 3 Application: IED Grant'.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

## **9.0 EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION**

**9.1 Convene to Closed Session. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, §10-15-1 H(4) the Bloomfield Schools Board of Education will take action to go into Closed Session to review and discuss personally identifiable student information, specifically for the School Board Scholarships. No action will be taken in Closed Session. Action, if any, will be taken when the Board reconvenes in Open Session following the Closed Session.**

Authority to conduct a Special Meeting is found in NMSA 1978, §10-15-1 through 10-15-4, of the New Mexico 'Open Meetings Act'.

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends convening to closed session to discuss personally identifiable student information

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Moved, Member (**Darrell Nichols**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends convening to closed session to discuss personally identifiable student information'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

Meeting convened to closed session at 7:07 p.m.

## **10.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION and POSSIBLE ACTION**

**10.1 Reconvene to Open Session. As required by Section 10-15-1(J) of the 'Open Meetings Act': The only matter discussed during the closed session was personally identifiable student information, specifically for School Board Scholarships.**

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends reconvening to Open Session.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Darrell Nichols**) Moved, Member (**Joel Gunn**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends reconvening to Open Session'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

Meeting reconvened to open session at 7:27 p.m.

## 11.0 ADVANCED PLANNING

### 11.1 Upcoming Events:

\*May 2-6, 2022 - Teacher Appreciation Week

\*May 10, 2022 - Board of Education Meeting

## 12.0 ADJOURNMENT

### 12.1 Approval to Adjourn Current Board Meeting

**Recommendation:** Superintendent recommends approval to adjourn the current board meeting.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Joel Gunn**) Moved, Member (**Tony DeHerrera**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Superintendent recommends approval to adjourn the current board meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Darrell Nichols	Yes
Dale Maes	Yes
Tony DeHerrera	Yes
Joel Gunn	Yes

Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

		May 10, 2022
Board Member Signature	Title	Date Approved