

**MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 9, 2021 REGULAR MEETING
SIDNEY GUTIERREZ MIDDLE SCHOOL**

The Regular Meeting of the Governing Council was held at Armstrong Energy offices, located at 500 N. Main Street, Suite 200, Roswell, NM, on Saturday, October 9, 2021. Public access was available over Zoom. Governing Council members Bill Wolf, Kelly Smith, Yasine Armstrong and Shawna Perry were present. Michael Taylor was absent. Joe Andreis was also present. Lisa Dunlap, reporter from the Roswell Daily Record, attended the meeting over Zoom. Governing Council President Bill Wolf called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

Action Items:

1. Minutes for September 13, 2021 Regular Meeting

The Governing Council reviewed the presented minutes. Kelly Smith moved to approve the presented minutes. Shawna Perry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. BARS - #004-009-2122-0006-1 Fund 31200 21-22 Lease Assistance Award

Yasine Armstrong moved to approve the BAR and Kelly Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Update

The Governing Council reviewed the provided monthly Financial Report. Joe Andreis presented the details of the report. Yasine Armstrong commended Joe and Brenda Ortiz for their excellent handling of funds and allocations.

Facilities Update

Joe Andreis reported that the heating and air company currently servicing SGMS, Rhodes, changed the heating/air fix that had been made and now upstairs classrooms are at 90° F again. A roof inspector came. Joe continues to replace ceiling tiles as they are damaged by leaks. SGMS has entered into a service agreement with a landscaping company, Accent Landscape. They are exceptionally conscientious and great to work with. The playground is on track to have western side partially completed for student use within two weeks. Supply chain issues have continued to delay materials needed to complete the shade structures. Joe and Yasine commended the success of “Walking Wednesdays” at the school for exercise and parent involvement. Kids are very excited by it and many parents are participating. Phase II upgrades are to track and surrounding area. Phase III includes outside of Elementary School Building.

Other Business

New Business

No new business. No report from Financial Committee.

Principal's Report

The school is at capacity and continues to have a considerable waiting list. Results of interim assessment show encouraging results. Joe approached the GC with a request for stipends for extracurricular activities for teacher sponsors. The GC unanimously approved his request.

NMPED has required that all instructional materials must be “researched based.” This has resulted in a ban on *Teachers Pay Teachers* and similar supplemental resources. Shawna Perry expressed frustration with this action, as it casts a perception that NMPED is not treating teachers as professionals in their field. By disallowing them to use their professional judgement to determine which materials meet the needs of their individual classrooms, the board sees that NMPED is not granting certified teachers proper professional respect. Joe is working on this issue.

Public Comment

No public attended.

Yasine Armstrong moved to adjourn the meeting. Shawna Perry made the second. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.