

**17TH CNMI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, October 13, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.
Board of Education Conference Room
Building 1241, Capitol Hill, Saipan
via google meet at meet.google.com/oph-pcwk-nog**

FINAL MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:

Herman M. Atalig, SGM (Ret)
Antonio L. Borja
Gregory P. Borja
Andrew L. Orsini
Maisie B. Tenorio
Phyllis M. Ain
Ronald E. Snyder
Ryan Michael Nuera (online)

All eight (8) members were present, and a quorum was established.

PSS/BOE Staff Present:

Alfred B. Ada, Ed.D. – Commissioner of Education
Eric Magofna – Associate Commissioner for Administrative Services (ACAS)
Yvonne R. Pangelinan – Senior Director, Student & Support Services (SSS)
Rizalina Liwag – Senior Director, Accountability, Research & Evaluation (ARE)
Melisha San Nicolas – Acting Federal Programs Officer (FPO)
Arlene Lizama – Finance Director
Lucretia Deleon Guerrero- Human Resources Office (HRO) Director
Tiberius Mocanu, Esq. – Legal Counsel, BOE
Michael Ernest, Esq. – Legal Counsel, PSS
Ferdinand Ngirmekur – Network Specialist, SIT
Valerie K. Malwelbug – Office Manager, BOE

Others Present (online):

Alex Menor
Anna Guerrero
Annette Calvo

Others Present (online):

Anthony Frank
Arisa Sakai
Ashley Roberto
Ben Jr.
Bobby Cruz
Brandon Nicholas
Dale Roberts
Darlene Aldan
Dencio Manglona
Denise King
Derwin Johnson
Dominic Pangelinan
Jojo Alepuyo
Jonas Barcinas
Karen Alla
Leile Yumul
Livia Pangelinan
Liz Romolor
Lori Lyn Lirio
Lynn Mendiola
Magdalena Mesngon
Maria Ornes

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Member Andrew L. Orsini moved to adopt the agenda. Member SGM Herman M. Atalig seconded, and all five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

REPORTS

Commissioner Alfred B. Ada stated that Acting FPO Melisha San Nicolas will report on the Federal Funds Status and Finance Director Arlene Lizama will report on the Local Funds Status.

NEW BUSINESS**ACTION NO. 001**

Member Orsini moved to approve the Tyler Munis Cost Analysis. Member SGM Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 002

Member Orsini moved to approve the FY2023 Local Budget as proposed. Secretary/Treasurer Tenorio seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 003

Vice Chair Borja moved to approve the 2022 Bullying & Violence Prevention Month. Madam Secretary Tenorio seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 004

Vice Chair Borja moved to approve the 2022 Education Month. Madam Secretary Tenorio seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 005

Member SGM Atalig moved to approve the 2022 Head Start Awareness Month. Vice Chair Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 006

Member Orsini moved to approve the Head Start Supplemental COP One-Time Grant Application. Secretary/Treasurer Tenorio seconded. Four (4) members (HMA, GPB, ALO, MBT) voted yes, and one (1) member (ALB) recused himself; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 007

Member Orsini moved to approve the Head Start One-Time HI-OP Grant Application. Secretary/Treasurer Tenorio seconded. Four (4) members (HMA, GPB, ALO, MBT) voted yes, and one (1) member (ALB) recused himself; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 008

Member Orsini moved to approve the Resolution for Board Members' Transfer. Vice Chair Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 009

Member SGM Atalig moved to adopt the daily stipend and per diem rate as presented. Member Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

A recess was called at 11:21 a.m. and resumed at 11:35 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chair Borja moved to descend into executive session at 11:36 a.m. Madam Secretary Tenorio seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried. Member Orsini moved to rise out of the executive session at 12:10 p.m., Madam Secretary Tenorio seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

Legal Counsel Tiberius Mocanu gave a summary of the executive session. Things discussed in the executive session were legal issues, transfer of leftover PD funds, the law regarding such transfers, and contract terms in Procurement for solar panels.

ACTION NO. 010

Vice Chair Borja moved to approve the Retention Incentive Pay. Upon USDOE's approval of the new date – November 18, 2022, the Retention Incentive will be released to tie in with Education Month. Member SGM Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 011

Member Orsini moved to approve the CLO Report Nos. 2022-17-07 and 2022-17-08. Vice Chair Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT- Member Orsini moved to adjourn the meeting, Vice Chair Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 p.m.¹

CERTIFIED BY:



Maisie B. Tenorio
BOE Secretary/Treasurer

11/18/2022

Date

CONCURRED BY:



Gregory P. Borja
BOE Chairperson

11/18/2022

Date

¹ This Minutes was Adopted at the November 18, 2022, Regular Board Meeting.