

**16TH CNMI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.
via teleconference
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FINAL MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 9:14 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:

Janice A. Tenorio, M.Ed.
Herman M. Atalig, SGM (Ret)
MaryLou S. Ada, J.D.
Andrew L. Orsini
Phillip Mendiola-Long, AIFA, RF
Paul T. Miura
Galvin S. Deleon Guerrero

Members Absent:

Dionne Monique S. Torres

Five (5) voting members present, a quorum was established.

PSS/BOE Staff Present:

Alfred B. Ada – Commissioner of Education
Charley Kenty – Interim Associate Commissioner for Administrative Services (ACAS)
Jackie A. Quitugua – Associate Commissioner for Curriculum and Instructional Services (ACIS)
Yvonne R. Pangelinan – Associate Commissioner for Student & Support Services (SSS)
Lynette Villagomez – Associate Commissioner for Accountability Research and Evaluation (ARE)
Tim Thornburgh – Federal Programs Office (FPO) Director
Kimo Rosario – Interim Director of Finance
Tim Thornburgh – Federal Programs Officer
Lucretia Borja – Human Resources Office (HRO) Director
Tiberius Mocanu, Esq. – Legal Counsel
Valerie K. Malwelbug – Administrative Officer
Ferdinand Ngirmekur - IT

Others Present (online):

**Alisa Pangelinan
Anna Guerrero
Anna Yamada
Anthony Aldan
Anthony Frank
Bernice
Bobby Cruz
Brandon Nicholas
Candy Feliciano
Charley Kenty
Clarissa Ann Masga
Christine Tudela
Claudia Palacios
Darlene Aldan
Damiana Arkoh
Daisy Quitugua
Dominica Tebuteb
Donald Mendiola
Donna Flores
Elizabeth Aguon
Edward Tenorio
Frances Ulloa
Garrett Jackson
George Palican
Isa Sablan
Jackie Quitugua
Jesse Tenorio
Jessica Taylor
Jolene Sablan
Jonas Barcinas
Julie Camacho
Julie Curry
Kim Bautista
Karen Alla
Kristina Springer
Laura Brown
Lawrence Camacho
Leila Staffler
Lori Lyn Lirio
Lou Connie Manglona
Lynette Villagomez
Lynn Mendiola
Ma. Theresa Camacho**

Others Present (online):

Magdalena Mesngon
Marian Tudela
Martha Kintol
Marvin Tamangided
Melanie Sablan
Mercedes Deleon Guerrero
Michelle Taisacan
Myrna Babauta
Naomi Nishimura
Nerine Villagomez
Nick Gross
Nikita Robert
Nora Fujihira
Preston Basa
Rebecca Sablan
RickSita Atalig
Robin Palacios
Shirley Cepeda
Shirley Norita
Tina Tenorio
Tyron Ermang
Victoria Nicholas
Vince Dela Cruz
Vinni Orsini
William Fife
Yvonne Pangelinan
Annette Calvo
Arisa Sakai
Bobby Cruz
Cinnabun Diaz Nicholas
Denise King
Dianne Mallari
Eden Mercado
Grace Lee
Jessica Mendez
Julie Curry
Kimberly Manglona
Kimberly White
Liela Yumul
Roque Indalecio
Shawn San Nicolas
Charlene Valle

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Secretary/Treasurer MaryLou S. Ada moved to adopt the agenda as amended to include the ANA Grant "Sagan Manungu" to New Business, GHLI, Furlough, and Status of the Audit Report for FY2019 under Unfinished Business. Vice Chair Herman M. Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Secretary Ada moved to adopt the Meeting Minutes of May 29, 2020 Special Board Meeting. Vice Chair Atalig seconded, all five (5) members voted in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Member Andrew L. Orsini asked to accept the letter from Layla R. received via email by all members as public comment. There was no objection.

NEW BUSINESS

The Proposed Organizational Chart, Salary Adjustment, and Furlough were moved for discussion in Executive Session.

Commissioner Alfred B. Ada introduced to Federal Programs Officer Tim Thornburgh to give an update on both the Federal and Local Audit Report for FY2019.

Commissioner Ada requested for Human Resources Office Director Lucretia Borja to give an update to GHLI. The latest update on furlough employees is that to comply with the Commonwealth Code, we have to go with the Government's Insurance Provider. On June 30, 2020, Aetna Coverage will end. Two (2) insurance providers submitted rates; Staywell and TakeCare and are not accepting enrollments at this time. Two (2) insurance providers responded but are not accepting individual plans at this time. Calvo's Select Care and Moylan's Insurance. With Aetna Insurance currently being the group plan, there has to be at least 75% of employee population to enroll. The individuals who will be losing coverage and going on their own to enroll, the rate is \$317.00 per pay period for family. We are still awaiting response from Staywell Guam Office for group insurance coverage.

FPO Thornburgh presented a PowerPoint on the Federal Financial Status and the Education Stabilization Funds Budget. Interim Director of Finance Kimo Rosario stated that there is not too much updates from last week on local funds status. PSS is waiting for 1st initial allotment since the Government ceased transfers to PSS.

ACTION NO. 001

Secretary Ada moved to approve the ANA Grant on Language Immersion, Sagan Manungu'; Member Orsini seconded, all members voted yes, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Secretary Ada moved to descend into executive session at 11:07 a.m.. Vice Chair Atalig seconded. The public was advised that the members will return to open session at 1:00 p.m.

A break was called at 12:31 p.m. and resumed at 1:00 p.m. The public were informed that the members are still in executive session and will be at in open session at 1:30 p.m. After the break, roll call was taken for the record and to re-establish quorum. Members present online were Vice Chair Atalig, Members Long, Orsini, and Miura; Member Deleon Guerrero was no longer online. Present in the BOE conference room were: Chair Tenorio, Secretary Ada, Commissioner Ada, Interim DoF Rosario, Legal Counsel Tiberius Mocanu, Federal Programs Officer Thornburgh, HRO Director Borja, and Board Administrative Officer Malwelbug.

Secretary Ada moved to rise out of executive session at 1:30 p.m., Vice Chair Atalig seconded. All members voted yes, motion carried. The meeting resumed in open session at 1:31 p.m.

Legal Counsel gave a summary of the executive session. Things discussed in executive session were regarding Personnel and litigation which were appropriate to discuss in the executive session.

ACTION NO. 002

Secretary Ada moved to approve the Proposed Organizational Chart with Salary to take effect on July 6, 2020 which is pay period #16. Vice Chair Atalig seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT- Secretary/Treasurer Ada moved to adjourn the meeting until June 30, 2020 which will include on the agenda, the Salary Phase II, Member Long seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.¹

CERTIFIED BY:



MaryLou S. Ada, J.D.
BOE Secretary/Treasurer

06/30/2020
Date

CONCURRED BY:



Janice A. Tenorio, M.Ed.
BOE Chairperson

06/30/2020
Date

¹ This Minutes was adopted at the June 30, 2020 Special Board Meeting.