

NEW MEXICO SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

MINUTES

Thursday, May 6, 2010

Old Santa Fe Inn

320 Galisteo Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico

Meeting was called to order by Catherine Oppenheimer at 6:10 p.m.

In attendance were NMSA Board members:

Catherine Oppenheimer

JD Bullington

Sherry Thompson

Cindy Montoya

In attendance were SA-NM Board members:

See list above

Lee Berk

Absent:

Garrett Thornburg, NMSA Board member

Consultants present:

Consulting Head of School Jim Ledyard

Consulting Director of Admissions Adelma Hnasko

Consulting Executive Assistant Christina Aranda Martinez

Consulting Business Manager Logan Martin

Members of the Public Present:

Executive Director of Thornburg Foundation, Suzanne Barker Kalangis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **The minutes of the April 13, 2010 Board minutes were approved after a motion by Sherry Thompson seconded by JD Bullington. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.**

HEAD OF SCHOOL REPORT

- Deliverables. Jim Ledyard updated the Board on his deliverables. The enrollment report and art curriculum were reported on and have been completed.

- **Cindy Montoya moved to approve Jim Ledyard's deliverables presented. Sherry Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**
- Jim Ledyard presented the new schedule for the Board meetings. Catherine Oppenheimer requested the August 17th meeting date be changed to the 18th. The Board approved the revised schedule.
- **Cindy Montoya moved to approve the Board Meeting schedule with the proposed change. Sherry Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**
- Jim Ledyard reported a staff/faculty meeting is scheduled on the 15th of May, followed by a retreat on the 10th of June.

REVIEW OF OPEN MEETING ACTION ITEMS

- Policies. Catherine Oppenheimer presented the revised policies; approval was received by the Board; and signatures were obtained for the following amended policies:
 - a) Conflict of Interest
 - b) Non-Discrimination
 - c) Student Selection
 - d) Petition Giving Notice of Intent to Offer Benefit Coverage to Domestic Partnership
- **Motions made and approved: Conflict of Interest, Sherry Thompson moved to approve, Cindy Montoya seconded the motion; Non-Discrimination Policy, Sherry Thompson moved to approve, JD Bullington seconded the motion; Student Selection Policy, Cindy Montoya moved to approve, Sherry Thompson seconded the motion; Domestic Partnership, Sherry Thompson moved to approve; JD Bullington seconded the motion. All motions approved unanimously.**
- Public Forum. The procedures for a Public Forum were presented and discussed. The Board approved the addition of a Public Forum to the Standard Agenda.
- **JD Bullington moved to add the Public Forum to the standard agenda. Cindy Montoya seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

- Special Education Policy. Jim Ledyard advised the Board that the State of New Mexico Special Education Policy was used to devise the NMSA Special Education Policy. Cindy Montoya supervised this effort. Discussion ensued. The Board approved the Special Education Policy as presented.

- **JD Bullington moved to approve NMSA Special Education Policy. Sherry Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

FINANCE REPORT

- Logan Martin reported on changes in the draft budget between the last Board meeting and now. Additional funding commitments from the State have been received to support special education and counseling. The Board was reminded that additional funding was likely to be received by mid-year to off-set some of the lease payments for the classroom building. Discussion ensued. The Board asked that it receive a projection of how the additional dollars would be allocated.
- **JD Bullington moved to approve the 2010-11 budget presented. Sherry Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**
- Budget Adjustment Request. Logan Martin reported on the Budget Adjustment Request (BAR), which included moving Employee Travel expenses to Non-Employee Travel budget line item. Discussion ensued. The Board approved the BAR presented.
- **Cindy Montoya moved to approve the BAR presented. JD Bullington seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

ADMISSIONS REPORT

- Adelma Hnasko reported on the notifications received from accepted students and the status of the residential students. 5 students from the waiting list have been offered acceptance to the School.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Motion was made by Sherry Thompson to move into Executive Session to discuss negotiations regarding a facilities lease agreement. Cindy Montoya seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Roll call was taken by Christina Aranda Martinez to move into Executive Session:

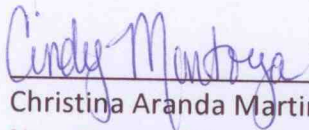
Cindy Montoya
JD Bullington
Catherine Oppenheimer
Sherry Thompson

RETURN TO OPENING MEETING

- No action was taken during Executive Session and discussion centered on lease negotiations only.

There being no further business of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

Submitted By and Approved:



Christina Aranda Martinez, Administrative Assistant/Cindy Montoya, Board Member
New Mexico School for the Arts/School for the Arts—NM