

**New Mexico School for the Arts
Governing Council
Meeting Minutes
DRAFT REVISED
Tuesday, June 5, 2012 @ 1:00 PM**

**Santa Fe Community Foundation
501 Halona St.
Santa Fe, NM 87501**

The meeting was called to order by Catherine Oppenheimer at 1:02 p.m.

In attendance were NMSA Council Members:

Catherine Oppenheimer
SherryThompson
JD Bullington
Lilliema Ortiz
Vickie Sewing
Greg Hunt Arriving at approximately 1:20 pm.

NMSA Charter School Staff present:

Principal, Cindy Montoya
Business Manager, Charles Galbraith
Assistant Business Manager, Christina Yamashiro

NMSA Art Institute Staff Present:

Artistic Director, Adelma Hnasko
Director of Institutional Advancement, Riis Gonzales,
Development Director, Julie Gomez
Natalia Chavez
Katy Phebus

NMSA Art Institute Board Members Present:

Garrett Thornburg
Edwina Milner
Ned Bennet
Stephen Arnold
Lee Berk
David Ater
Tom O'Connor
Sherry Thompson
J.D.Bullington
Tom Ageson

APPROVAL OF May 29, 2012 Meeting Minutes AGENDA

- **Sherry Thompson made a motion to approve the May 29, 2012 meeting minutes. JD Bullington seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 5-0. Greg Hunt was not present for the vote.**

PUBLIC FORUM

- Catherine Oppenheimer asked if there were any individuals requesting a Public Forum. No members of the public were in attendance.

GOVERNING COUNCIL CHAIR REPORT/Combined section

- Schedule: Governing Council and Art Institute 2012-13 Board Meetings
Noted that the Charter School meetings will be held from 1:00-3:00 pm on scheduled dates.
- Long Range Planning Report
It was asked if there are any questions about long range planning. None were asked. Catherine recounted that with out a space it is hard to make a plan. We have moved the next meeting of the LRP) to August 1 when the reports are due. The LRP will reflect a technology plan that is also being developed per PED requirements. Catherine Oppenheimer stated that nothing is due in August for implementation. Lilliema Ortiz questioned the high school requirement for on-line classes. Cindy stated that access to online classes is a PED requirement and clarified that we use IDEAL-NM when possible. On-line classes are available to our students. The goal is to increase the use of technology in the classroom.
- Review of Legislative language regarding public money for the residential program was presented by J.D. Bullington. JD Bullington provided copies of the bill proposed at the last legislative session. He explains that last year the current law prevents us any public money for recruiting outreach or residential programming. In the last legislative session, Senator Nava presented the bill that would allow NMSA to request public funding for those items should funding be available.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Sherry Thompson made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss facilities. Vickie Sewing seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 6-0.**

Roll Call was taken by Katy Phebus to move into Executive Session:

Lilliema Ortiz	Yes
Catherine Oppenheimer	Yes
Sherry Thompson	Yes
JD Bullington	Yes
Vickie Sewing	Yes
Greg Hunt	Yes

END EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussion in Executive Session regarding facilities and personnel concluded at 2:38 p.m. Sherry Thompson moved to reconvene the meeting. Greg Hunt seconded. A roll call vote was take and all voted in the affirmative 6-0. No action and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

ART INSTITUTE Director Section:

- Residential Program Update: Adelma Hnasko reported that there has been a decrease in

the number of students expected to request boarding. She is investigating other options for housing.

- Music Department Chair Update: Adelma reported that she has hired Melina Russial to lead the music department. She distributed resumes and welcome Ms. Russial to NMSA stating that she was selected from among many candidates after an interview process that included students, staff and parents.
- Discussion of Admissions Procedures: Adelma explained that the application process will be streamlined will provide for easier access for interested students.
- Outreach/ArtsConnect Update: Adelma reported that the 2012 Summer Intensive has been postponed until 2013, due to unavailability of the NMSA Outreach Coordinator to lead the event. Outreach events are being planned with Arts Chairs for the 2012-2013 SY.

CHARTER SCHOOL Principal Section:

- Student Achievement: Cindy Montoya reported that student achievement data for both the ACT Explore/Plan and the SBA were not yet available.
- Cindy explained to the group that the Charter School Department at PED discovered revised NMSA charter goals. These goals had been updated several years ago by the PEC at the time that the charter was created. NMSA was recently notified of the goals and will meet with Charter School Department staff to formally address the discrepancy in advance of the renewal application. Lilliemae asked if the 3 goals are included in budget. Cindy said that she would investigate.
- Education Committee Report: Steve Arnold spoke about blended learning, technology and classic learning. The committee is evaluating resources to figure out the best use of technology funds and how to best integrate technology into the artistic and academic programs. Steve feels that by the September meeting the committee will have recommendations.

INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT Section

- Riis Gonzales reported on the ArtSpring event.
- Riis shared his goals for the 2012-2013 Fundraising Plan
- Riis provided information regarding the Arts Fee and told the group that we would continue with this fee.

BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT

- Charlie Galbraith reported that both the Charter School and the Art Institute will end the year with a surplus. He recognized the good work of his assistant, Christina Yamashiro,

as one reason for this and he thanked the Board for their support. He also reported that Custodial Services and Food Service were currently out to bid.

- **Public Hearing on 2012-2013 Budget**

Catherine asked if there is anyone here from the public to speak on the budget. No one came forward.

- **Approval of 2012-2013 Budget**

Greg Hunt motioned for approval of the budget that totaled \$1,963,175.00. J.D. Bullington seconded the motion. After discussion, the budget was unanimously approved 6-0.

- **Lease extension for St. Francis School – Action Needed**

Sherry Thompson motion to approve the lease extension for St. Francis. Greg Hunt seconded the Motion. Catherine Oppenheimer asked for discussion. Catherine asked that the lease revised to allow NMSA to exit the lease at anytime without having to pay for the entire year. Sherry Thompson amended the motion. Sherry moved that Charlie is authorized to renegotiate the lease with the Archdiocese for SY 14-15. Greg Hunt seconded the motion. Catherine asked for discussion. No discussion. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously, 5-0. Lilliemae Ortiz was not present during the vote.

- **JD Bullington made a motion to adjourn the Charter School Meeting. Vickie Sewing seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 6-0.**

There being no further business of the Council Members, the meeting was adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

Cindy Montoya, Principal/Sherry Thompson, Council Member, New Mexico School for the Arts