**Minutes of the Governing Council Meeting**

Date: January 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Location: Middle College High School via videoconference

Meeting was a videoconference call with all materials available at mchsgallup.com

**Governing Council Members**:

Dr. Matthew Mingus, President – Not Present

Dr. Betty Sutliff, Vice President – Present

Monica Yazzie, Secretary – Present

Lisa Bracken, Member – Present

Olin Kieyoomia, Member – Present

Janene Yazzie, Member - Present

Agenda Item I

1. Call to Order-Dr. Sutliff called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm.
2. Roll Call declared open meeting; quorum was present for the meeting.

Agenda Item II

1. Approval of the January 25, 2023 Agenda: ***Dr. Sutliff asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Bracken motioned to approve, seconded by Ms. Janene Yazzie. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***
2. Approval of the December 21, 2022 Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented: ***Dr. Sutliff asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Bracken motioned to approve, seconded by Ms. Janene Yazzie. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***

Agenda Item III

1. Public Comment: ***No public comment***.
2. Teacher’s Report:  ***No teacher’s report.***
3. Counselor’s Report: ***Mr. Knowles reported that he accompanied MCHS’s senior of the month for January, Shon King, to the Gallup Rotary Club award luncheon. He also wanted to recognize the December senior of the month, Taylor Dineyazhe. He mentioned that both students did very well on their speeches and gave a very good impression of MCHS. Mr. Knowles also reported that he continues to work on getting textbooks and materials to all the students, as there was some difficulty getting them from the Bookstore. He is finalizing schedule changes, doing audits on credits, mainly for seniors, and making sure they are monitored and on track to graduate.***
4. Principal’s Report: ***Dr. Hunter reported on behalf of Mr. Cunanan that all students were given new school issued laptops. All laptops have monitoring software and he has been able to monitor internet use to check that students are using their laptops appropriately and for educational purposes.***
5. GC Board Members’ Report**: *Mr. Kieyoomia reported that he was able to speak to Mr. Buu Nygren, Navajo Nation President, and asking him to be the keynote speaker at MCHS’ commencement ceremony in May. An official letter from MCHS is needed to confirm the date. Dr. Hunter mentioned that the commencement ceremony will be Friday May 12th at 6:00 pm at Red Rock State Park.***
6. Business Manager’s Report: ***Financial documents presented by Ms. Rarick.***
7. CEO’s Report
   1. Campus Delay and Closure Protocols: ***Dr. Hunter reported MCHS has updated the campus delays and closure protocols regarding inclement weather. MCHS sent out notices to students and families about the updates. Notably, if campus closes, the school will still have instruction, but will be a virtual/remote day of learning so students will not miss MCHS classes.***
   2. Legislative Session: ***Dr. Hunter reported that he will be attending the session on Thursday and Friday. He mentioned that there are several proposals that are up for discussion. The legislation committees are proposing budgets that are different from the PED’s proposed budget. Areas of agreement appear to be adding 60 more hours to the school year, an increase to principal salaries, and changes in graduation requirements. Also allowing schools to add career tech, financial literacy, and world languages to graduation requirements and reducing the number of credit requirements from 24 to 22. They are looking to eliminate the Algebra II and New Mexico History requirements.***

Agenda Item IV

Action Items-New Business:

1. Business Office Action Items

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Dec WF Bank Rec, Dec Bento Bank Rec, Dec Check Register: ***Banking documents presented by Ms. Rarick. Dr. Sutliff asked for a motion to approve the banking documents. Ms. Bracken motioned to approve, seconded Ms. Janene Yazzie. Roll call vote with all members if favor.***
2. Discussion and Possible Action on BARs: ***No BARs to report.***

Agenda Item V

1. Executive Session:

a. The Board will meet in executive session on a limited personnel matter pursuant to NMSA 1978 §10-15-1(H)(2)

regarding staff performance concerns: ***Dr. Sutliff called the Executive Session to order at 5:42 pm. Dr. Sutliff asked for a motion to approve. Ms. Monica Yazzie motioned to approve, seconded by Ms.Bracken. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***

b. Reconvene in Open Session: ***Dr. Sutliff called for a motion to reconvene open session at 6:08 pm. Dr. Sutliff asked for roll call vote to return to open session. Roll call vote with all members in favor.***

c. Statement of Closure: ***Dr. Sutliff stated that discussion during closed session was limited only to the matter identified on the agenda and confirmed that no action was taken.***

Adjourn: ***With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Monica Yazzie, seconded by Ms. Bracken. Roll call vote with all members in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at 5:00 pm.***

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Dr. Matthew Mingus, Council President

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