



4 **Board Members Present:** Sherrick Roanhorse, Matthew Tso, Anderson Yazzie, Jr., Charley Long, Sr.
Student Ad Hoc Member: Sky Harper

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6 **I-III. Call to Order, Roll Call & Invocation**

7 The meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM by Board President, Sherrick Roanhorse. Four elected board
8 members were present for a quorum. The invocation was provided by Mr. Charley Long.
9 Mrs. Escojeda announced roll call in which four board members were present.

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11 **IV. Approval of Agenda**

12 The proposed agenda for Monday, October 28, 2019 had minimal change to the Personnel section: omit
13 item C - *Personnel Recommendation*: Promote Food Service Worker from Temporary to Full Time.
14 NPS Motion: Charley Long, Sr. /Anderson Yazzie
15 **Motion carried 3-1-0.**

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17 **V. Approval of Minutes**

18 The minutes for September 26th, 2019 were approved with minimal changes.
19 Motion/Second: Charley Long Sr./Anderson Yazzie, Jr
20 **Motion carried 3-1-0**

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22 **VI. Introduction of Guests, Public Comments & Announcements**

23 The Board of Trustees President, Sherrick Roanhorse reminded the group of the importance of the data
24 collected from the US Census Bureaus and encouraged all attendees to remind parents, and grandparents
25 to allow the census volunteers to get the information from them. Mr. Roahnorse also shared a flyer with
26 scholarship information with the group. Board Member Anderson Yazzie, Jr. gave an update of his
27 recent trip to the Arizona Governors Innovation Awards Celebration.

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29 **VII. Reports**

30 **A. Update: Head of School**

31 Mrs. Becenti read her monthly board report and told the group of the recent departure of the Network
32 Administrator. Ms. Shawna Eaton, IT Specialist created a transition plan for the IT Department.

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34 **B. IB Report**

35 Ms. Donna Fernandez, IB Coordinator gave a few quick highlights: IB Extended Essays have been turned in
36 from the Seniors for grading, teachers graded the EE's on Saturday, and three teachers will attend their IB
37 Professional Development Training in November.

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39 **C. Athletics**

40 Ms. Rainy Crisp's, Athletics Director shared that NPS won KRQE's Week 10 Spirit Stick, the NPS Soccer
41 team is headed to state competition and is currently ranked as #11 in the state. The new volleyball coach is
42 transitioning well.

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44 **D. Budget Report**

45 Mr. Remick Rappleye, Director of Finance gave an update on the recent audit for SY 18-19; the auditors had
46 recommended that NPS move away from employee salary advances, there was a finding in travel funds,
47 and questions regarding disallowable costs. The overall audit determined that NPS will continue to stay
48 classed as High Risk.

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50 **E. Student & Community Engagement**

51 Ms. Darah Tabrum, Director of Student and Community Engagement notified the group that NMPED is
52 moving from PARCC Testing to using the SAT Test. We had many students take advantage of different
53 college Fly In Programs. Ms. Barbara Crowell the founder of the Eve's Fund will increase the scholarship
54 funding from ten thousand to fourteen thousand per year, to enable more funding for student's tuition and
55 she suggested that NPS to restructure the application process, so that we are funding low income students.

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57 **F. Student Senate**

58 Sky Harper, Board of Trustee Student Ad Hoc Member, gave a quick update on the use of plastic trays in the
59 dining area as opposed to the Styrofoam used previously. Sky mentioned that the grading scale has not
60 changed as requested from the September meeting. Sky shared a concern of our non-native students, feeling
61 uncertain about having to introduce themselves in Navajo.

- 1 a. Sky gave a presentation on the Evolvement program and requested changes to our Community
2 Handbook to reflect a comprehensive school tobacco policy.
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4 **VIII. Unfinished Business**

5 **A. Discussion: Capital Outlay Updates**

6 Mr. Sherrick Roanhorse requested that the letter from the NMPED regarding the Yazzie Martinez
7 Consolidated Lawsuit to be shared with all staff.

8 Mrs. Becenti met with our legislative advisor Mr. Robert Apodaca and shared his recommendations for
9 NM Capital Outlay funding requests for the winter session 2020.

10 Mr. Sherrick Roanhorse gave a hand out to the group of a presentation he recently attended titled a
11 Revised Approach to Improve Facilities.
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13 **IX. New Business**

14 **A. Approving Memo: Authorizing Performance Pay Incentives for Employees**

15 Mrs. Shawna Becenti read the resolution requesting to Performance Incentives for Employees. Board
16 Vice President Matthew Tso asked what accounts would fund the incentives.

17 NPS Motion by Anderson Yazzie, Jr./Matthew Tso

18 **Motion carried 4-0-0**
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20 **B. Approval Memorandum of Understanding: Rising Stars request for fee reduction**

21 Mrs. Shawna Becenti read the memo from Ms. Betty Ojaye requesting NPS to agree to reduce
22 the facility fees for the Rising Stars organization. Ms. Ojaye stated that it is good PR for our
23 school. Mrs. Becenti is in support of the request.

24 NPS Motion by Charley Long, Sr./Matthew Tso

25 **Motion carried 4-0-0**
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27 **X. Personnel**

28 **A. Approval Memo: New Hires and Resignations**

29 **B. Personnel Recommendation: Temp RA**

30 Mrs. Becenti read a memo from Ms. Ada Wilson, Director of Human Resources requesting the Board
31 of Trustees approval for four new hires including the new Network Administrator, Sean Bekis. The
32 board members asked that Mr. Bekis attend the next November meeting to be introduced.

33 The group agreed to combine items A & B for voting purposes.

34 NPS Motion by Anderson Yazzie, Jr./Matthew Tso

35 **Motion carried 4-0-0**
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37 **XI. Travel**

38 **A. Approval: Native American Grants School Association, Las Vegas, NV, December 12-14, 2019**

39 **B. Approval: National Afterschool Program Convention, Washington, DC, March 15-18, 2020**

40 Travel requests were approved with proper documentation.

41 NPS Motion by Anderson Yazzie, Jr./Charley Long, Sr.

42 **Motion Carried 4-0-0**
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44 **XII. Future Business, Next Meeting Date & Adjournment**

45 The next regular meeting for the Board will be on Wednesday, November 20th, 2019 @ 6:00PM in
46 Farmington, NM.

47 The meeting adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

48 **Motion Carried 4-0-0**

49 **Minutes approved on** _____.

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51 *Sherrick Roanhorse, President*

52 **Minutes prepared by:** Yvette Escojeda, Assistant to the Head of School