

**MONTEZUMA-CORTEZ SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1  
October 20, 2020**

**Regular Board Meeting – 5:30 p.m.  
Virtual Zoom Platform  
Minutes**

**Attendance:**

Sherri Wright  
Sheri Noyes  
Tammy Hooten  
Jack Schuenemeyer  
Lance McDaniel  
Chris Flaherty  
Stacey Hall

**Administration:**

Lori Haukeness  
Carol Mehesy  
Jeanette Allen  
Melissa Brunner

1. The meeting was called to order by President Sherri Wright.
2. The Pledge to American Flag was led by President Wright.

**3. Set the Agenda**

A motion was made by Ms. Tammy Hooten and seconded by Ms. Stacey Hall to set the agenda as presented. Ayes: Hall, Flaherty, McDaniel, Schuenemeyer, Hooten, Noyes, Wright. Nay: None. Motion carried.

**4. Approval of Minutes of the September 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting**

Ms. Sheri Noyes made a motion to approve the minutes for the September 15, 2020 regular board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lance McDaniel. Ayes: Hall, Flaherty, McDaniel, Schuenemeyer, Hooten, Noyes, Wright. Nay: None. Motion carried.

**5. Superintendent's Report**

Mrs. Haukeness reported that they were still working on October Count numbers and she would have those in detail to the board in November.

Formal bids went out for outside cameras for the high school.

She reported that the Director of Finance, Melissa Brunner, has submitted her resignation letter effective December 31. Ms. Brunner has presented a transition plan to assist a new finance director.

She expressed concern with the COVID number increase in our community. Due to the increase in the number of active cases she will have her future administrator meetings virtually instead of in-person.

#### 6. Staff Reports

President Wright referred to the administrative reports in the board packets. In the interest of time, the board could ask questions if they had any.

Mr. Haukeness answered questions concerning the installation of the HVAC system. He stated that the rebates on the high energy system will be significant perhaps \$40,000 at Kemper alone.

#### 7. Citizens Address the Board

President Wright announced there would be a brief five minute time allotted to hear concerns from the public. These would be typed into the Chat format, read by the board and answered where possible. Those that were of a controversial nature would not be answered.

#### 8. Action Items:

##### a. Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Dr. Schuenemeyer to accept the consent calendar as presented. Ms. Tammy Hooten seconded the motion. Ayes: Hall, Flaherty, McDaniel, Schuenemeyer, Hooten, Noyes, Wright. Nay: None. Motion carried.

##### b. In-person Attendance for Board Members

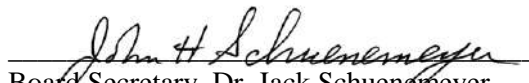
A motion was made by Ms. Sheri Noyes to require in-person attendance for board members for duly called board meetings. This was seconded by Ms. Stacey Hall. Discussion followed.

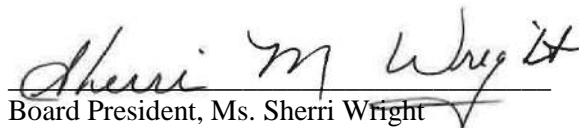
The motion/second was pulled from the floor and it would remain optional for attendance in person or virtually during the COVID pandemic.

**Note:** The Zoom Meeting was shut down at this point because some members of the public who were virtually attending the school board meeting hijacked the meeting's technology and directed hateful, threatening, and obscene statements to members of the Montezuma-Cortez RE-1 District School Board.

Since there was no public attendance available at this point, items c, d, and e on the agenda will be brought back to the November board meeting for approval by the board.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

  
Board Secretary, Dr. Jack Schuenemeyer

  
Board President, Ms. Sherri Wright

Special Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

Indian Policies/Procedures (IPP) Meeting

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**Ute Mountain Ute Tribe Members**

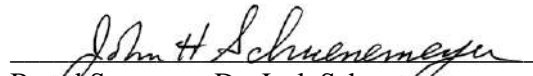
Lyndreth Wall – Ute Tribe Council Member  
Tina King-Washington – K-12 Education Director  
Kia Whiteskunk – Tribal Member

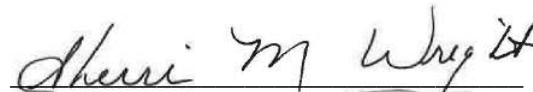
This is the annual public meeting to discuss the equal participation of Native American children in school programs and activities.

A PowerPoint entitled *Report on the Progress of American Indian Students – IPP Public Presentation – October 2020* was viewed. Ms. Lori Haukeness, Superintendent, Ms. Carol Mehesy, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Jeanette Allen, Director of Curriculum and Instruction and Ms. Trina Lee, Student Targeted Support Coordinator outlined the information in the PowerPoint and answered questions from the board members and members of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe.

Board and tribal member questions and comments were addressed. Both Ms. King-Washington and Mr. Lyndreth Wall made positive comments for all the efforts that were being put forth by the Montezuma-Cortez School District for the education and well-being of Native American students.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

  
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