

MONTE VISTA CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8

Monte Vista, Colorado

May 14, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Monte Vista Consolidated School District No. 8 was a virtual meeting conducted via Zoom.

REGULAR MEETING:

Gary Wilkinson called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called. Board members present were Orlando DeHerrera, Kurtis Holland, Elizabeth Quintana, Carly Santi Lozoya, and Gary Wilkinson. Superintendent Scott Wiedeman was also present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Elizabeth Quintana and seconded by Orlando DeHerrera to approve the agenda with the addition of Discussion Item C and Action Item D – Pause of Teacher and Principal Evaluations for the 2019-20 School Year. The vote was: Orlando DeHerrera, aye; Kurtis Holland, aye; Elizabeth Quintana, aye; Carly Santi Lozoya, aye; and Gary Wilkinson, aye. Motion passed 5 to 0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Gary Wilkinson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Kurtis Holland and seconded by Carly Santi Lozoya to approve the consent agenda:

- A. Approve minutes from the April 16, 2020 meeting
- B. March and Quarterly Financial Reports
- C. Retirement/Employment List:

The Board accepted the retirement of Lupe Martinez – BME School Secretary and the resignation of Mandi Asbury – 3rd Grade Teacher effective at the end of the 2019-20 school year.

The Board approved certified employees Janalyn Carpenter – MS Teacher, Gail Cassidy – BME 5th Grade Teacher, Presley Garcia – HS Special Education Teacher, Jenny Owsley – BME 2nd Grade Teacher and Marissa Trujillo – BME Special Education Teacher.

The Board approved Jenny Owsley – HS Volleyball Coach.

The Board approved the 2020-21 Continuing Contracts for Meghan MacNair and Cory Malberg.

The vote was Orlando DeHerrera, aye; Kurt Holland, aye; Elizabeth Quintana, aye; Carly Santi Lozoya, aye; and Gary Wilkinson, aye. Motion passed 5 to 0.

ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

- A. Comments from the Audience. Mr. Wiedeman thanked Tom Tichy for 20 years of service to the District as Teacher, Instructional Coach and Middle School Principal. Mr. Tichy expressed appreciation to the School Board and Administration for their support throughout the last 20 years.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

- A. BOCES Report. None
- B. Education Foundation Report. Mr. Wilkinson reported they are continuing to look into the purchase of an autoclave for the High School Science Department
- C. City/District Conversations. None
- D. Follow-Up to Principal Reports. None
- E. Board Report. Mr. Wilkinson commended the Superintendent and the Leadership Team for their dedication in dealing with this pandemic crisis and is confident of their abilities to handle the coming financial difficulties as a result of this crisis.
- F. Superintendent Report. Mr. Wiedeman reported the Middle School Gym floor is being replaced due to a water leak. The bleachers will also have to be replaced since they are no longer up to code. The JBC (State Joint Budget Committee) forecast has come out this week. The District is looking a possible \$1.4 million cut in State funding. There is the possibility of using some Tabor reserve funds in light of this health crisis. The State Legislature will have to approve this use until the voters are able to vote on it during the general election in November.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

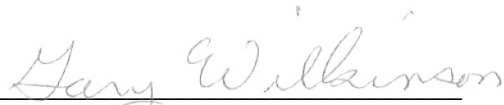
- A. 2020-21 Budget. Principals are working on cutting the budgets in their buildings. Teachers are looking at a possible increase in class sizes since some positions will not be filled for the coming school year.
- B. Policy Revisions. The policies were read and reviewed. See the attached list.
- C. Pause on Teacher and Principal Evaluations. The evaluations are based on measures of data that will not be available this year because of the pandemic. Thus, the evaluations will not be a good measure of performance for Principals and Teachers.

ACTION ITEMS:

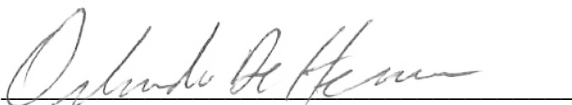
- A. Approval of Supplemental Budgets. A motion was made by Kurtis Holland and seconded by Elizabeth Quintana to approve the supplemental budgets. The vote was Orlando DeHerrera, aye; Kurt Holland, aye; Elizabeth Quintana, aye; Carly Santi Lozoya, aye; and Gary Wilkinson, aye. Motion passed 5 to 0.

- B. Resolution in Support of Fair Tax Colorado. A motion was made by Elizabeth Quintana and seconded by Carly Santi Lozoya to approve the Resolution in Support of Fair Tax Colorado. The vote was Orlando DeHerrera, aye; Kurt Holland, aye; Elizabeth Quintana, aye; Carly Santi Lozoya, aye; and Gary Wilkinson, aye. Motion passed 5 to 0.
- C. Next Regular Board Meeting. A motion was made by Kurtis Holland and seconded by Orlando DeHerrera to schedule the next regular board meeting for June 11th at 6:00 p.m. The vote was Orlando DeHerrera, aye; Kurt Holland, aye; Elizabeth Quintana, aye; Carly Santi Lozoya, aye; and Gary Wilkinson, aye. Motion passed 5 to 0.
- D. Pause of Teacher and Principal Evaluations. A motion was made by Elizabeth Quintana and seconded by Carly Santi Lozoya to pause the Teacher and Principal Evaluations for the 2019-20 School Year. The vote was Orlando DeHerrera, aye; Kurt Holland, aye; Elizabeth Quintana, aye; Carly Santi Lozoya, aye; and Gary Wilkinson, aye. Motion passed 5 to 0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.



Gary Wilkinson, President



Orlando DeHerrera, Secretary