

PERSHING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (PCSD)  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR MAY 26, 2021 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

1. CALL TO ORDER- 12:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE – James Evans- Board President, Michael Mancebo- Board Clerk, Cindy Plummer- Board Member, Melissa Shields- Board Member, Sherry Knight- Board Member (Via ZOOM), Lisa Clark- Finance Officer, Russell Fecht- Superintendent, Jordan McKinney- Board Secretary, Matthew Shottel- School Counselor

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Cindy Plummer noted that she has vaccine card and mask here in case there are more than 10 people at the meeting.

3. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA – None

4. CONSENT AGENDA-

a) Approval of Minutes from April 7<sup>th</sup> Public Budget Workshop

Board Member Michael Mancebo moved to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Melissa Shields 2<sup>nd</sup> Unanimous 5/0

5. 2021-2022 BUDGET HEARING-

Russell Fecht started the hearing by stating that all budgets in a legislative year are extremely fluid. He followed with PCSD has not seen a final amount for our District yet, but the new funding model will shift our income from the Department of Education greatly. He explained the new funding model and how it affects PCSD, specifically in regard to local wealth. Lisa Clark explained that we got a formula number but it is not final and could change. Michael Mancebo asked how the budget faired on losing teachers and gaining new teachers. Lisa Clark responded that she played it middle of the road to be safe and Russell Fecht said it is fair to say many hires are not first year teachers, so they are coming in with experience, and advanced degrees.

Lisa Clark included that state grants are tentative right now, and we add them in the budget as we receive them. She included that our new CRRSA and ARP grant amounts increases our budget significantly.

Mr. Fecht ended with informing the board that PCSD has taken the Summer School Option for free meals and that lunch will be free again next year for PCSD students. The Board expressed their appreciation to Russell and Lisa for all of their work on this budget. Trustee Sherry Knight asked what resources are available for kids who need food? Russell Fecht stated there was a backpack program in the community but is not sure of the status.

6. FINAL 2021-2022 BUDGET ADOPTION- Board Member Michael Mancebo moved to adopt the 2021-2022 PCSD Budget as presented. Board Member Cindy Plummer 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous 5/0

7. BOARD SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION- Matt Schottel informed the board that he had very few turn in a completed packet. Cindy Plummer followed that 6 did not complete full packet and asked if they can eliminate them from consideration. Michael Mancebo stated in years past the Board has chosen based on need. Each board member gave their top candidates. Discussion was had between board members about which kids to give a scholarship to and why and the recipients of the scholarships were chosen.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT- None


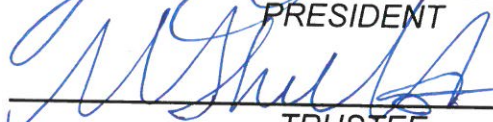
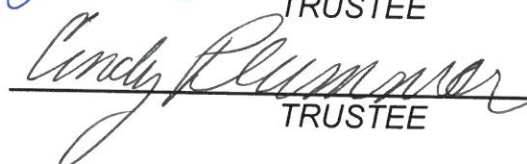
9. IMPORTANT FUTURE DATES-



Monday, June 21, 2021 5:15 next meeting

10. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the members of the Board of Trustees in this regular meeting, the meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

  
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Approved at PCSD Board of  
Trustees Meeting  
Date: 6/21/2021