

## **MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

Cloudcroft Municipal Schools District Number 11

July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 6:00PM

| <b>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</b>   | <b>OTHERS MEETING WITH THE BOARD</b>   |
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| Lance Wright, President<br>Dan Hughes, Vice President<br>Jeff Eigenmann, Secretary<br>Danny Ward, Member<br>Cassandra Saffle, Member | Jocelyne Driscoll-Gillespie, Superintendent<br>Cody Skinner, HS Principal<br>Nolene Adams, ES/MS Principal<br>Lisa Royer, Business Manager |

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Lance Wright called the regular session of the Cloudcroft Board of Education to order at 6:00 PM.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Hughes made the motion, seconded by Ms. Eigenmann to approve the agenda. No discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Eigenmann made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve the minutes from the June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Board Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

- A. Mr. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle to approve the Financial reports as provided. No discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve the Budget Adjustment Requests 048-2425-0088 through 048-2526-0001 through 0004. The motion passed unanimously.

### **VISITORS**

- A. Twelve visitors in person
- B. Three visitors online

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- A. NMSBA Scholarship Award Recipient – Ayla Yarbrough. Ms. Gillespie addresses the board to recognize CMS graduate Ms. Yarbrough's receipt of a \$1,000 scholarship. She is one of three recipients in Region 7 (South Central New Mexico).
- B. Welcome New Staff Members. Ms. Adams introduces 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher Melani Moore, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Raini Shelton, and library assistant Marisa Abeyta. Mr. Skinner introduces high school special education teacher Charles Hon, high school special education assistant Brittney Coville, and high school special education assistant Nicole Finch. Ms. Gillespie introduces Accounts Payable Clerk/Social Media Coordinator Rachel Alm, high school special education Coordinator Lori Garcia.

- C. TSA - Nationals Competition – Ms. Gillespie celebrates the TSA team’s success in getting Cloudcroft students on the stage at Nationals this summer in Nashville, TN.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Ms. Royer addressed the Board to review the FY 2025 Fixed Assets Report
- B. Ms. Royer addressed the Board to announce the selection of Pinnacle propane, based on lowest bid, for CMS’s propane services
- C. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present the need to hold the September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 BOE meeting in Weed, NM, to increase access and participation.
- D. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present two policy updates:
  - a. More specific language in policy G-0761 regarding staff dress policy. No discussion.
  - b. Expectations and limitations for public participation at Board meetings, including preventing personal attacks, opportunities for input/commentary, and time limits. Discussion of regulations re: allotted time for public input.
- E. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present final read on the following policy advisories:
  - a. Policy Advisory 265 – EBC – E-0550 – Emergencies. Mr. Eigenmann inquires about timely review of professional agency, in order to ensure highest standards of safety. Ms. Gillespie affirms this important consideration.
  - b. Policy Advisory 266 – IA – I-0050 – Instructional Goals and Objectives
  - c. Policy Advisory 267 – JICJ – J-3150 – Use of Cell Phones and Electronic Devices in Schools
  - d. Policy Advisory 268 – JLCED – J-5440 – Cardiac Emergency Response Plan – Automated External Defibrillators
  - e. Policy Advisory 269 – JLIH – J-6700 – Parental Guidance for Water Safety
- F. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present final read on the following policy update:
  - a. Policy - IKA-R -- I-6711– Grading Assessment Systems. AP classes will be weighted, dual credit classes will not. No further questions or discussion.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Mr. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle to approve FY 2025 Fixed Assets Report. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Mr. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve the Open Meetings Act Resolution for SY 2025-2026. Mr. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to
- C. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle to approve the selection of Pinnacle Propane as the vendor for SY 2025-2026. The motion passed unanimously.
- D. Ms. Gillespie addressed the board regarding annual review of Special Education Handbook to assure compliance. Ms. Saffle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve the Special Education Handbook of Procedures - SY 2025-2026. Nor further questions or discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- E. Mr. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eigenmann to approve the change of location for the September 16, 2025 regular Board meeting to the Baptist Church in Weed, NM. The motion passed unanimously.
- F. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle to approve Policy Advisories 265, 266, 267, 268, and 269. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Saffle made a motion, seconded by Mr.

Ward to approve IKA-R -- I-6711-- Grading Assessment Systems. No further questions or discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Approval and acceptance of donations

- a. Mr. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve a donation from Penasco Valley Telecommunications for the Summer Youth Program in the amount of \$250.00. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve a donation from Written in Red for TSA in the amount of \$5,000.00. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. Mr. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve a donation from Written in Red for the Summer Youth Program in the amount of \$5,000.00. The motion passed unanimously.
- d. Mr. Ward made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eigenmann to approve a donation from PY Foundation for the Summer Youth Program in the amount of \$5,000.00. The motion passed unanimously.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. Principal's Report

- a. Mr. Skinner addressed the Board to present July/August announcements, including athletics, registration, in-service dates, OCEC Board meeting, first day of school, back to school BBQ, first home scrimmage, Bingo at ski area, and the next regular Board Meeting. Mr. Skinner recognized Ms. Parker, the Summer Youth Program and donors. Thank you to custodians for the very clean buildings.

B. Superintendent's Report

- a. Ms. Alm shared updates on social media announcements
- b. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present federal updates in public education. Topics include the AI Moratorium and child protection, how the Big Beautiful Bill impacts free lunch funding, districts' cash balances, state-wide SIS conversion for SY26/27, pending state test scores, recent accreditation audit findings and planned follow-up. Ms. Adams announced classroom teacher changes in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Mr. Skinner was awarded a grant for a Wellness Room. CMS is partnering with Cook Center to complement this grant. Updates on vehicle fleet changes were shared. Ms. Gillespie and Ms. Adams shared updates on open positions. Upcoming events and dates were announced. The weight room is nearly complete. Parking lot repair is in progress.

### **ACTIVITY REPORT**

Ms. Watson addressed the Board to announce the volleyball team camp in Silver City. Basketball, Football, and Volleyball are practicing during open gym. Student leadership trips, trainings, and opportunities are available. Ag Science students are attending Nationals. Thank you to Ms. Gray for coordinating the OCEC board dinner. There is a shortage of officials across NM. Free physicals will be offered at Trestle Medical. A CMS group went to volunteer, following Ruidoso floods.

### **BOARD MEMBER INPUT**

Mr. Wright and Mr. Eigenmann shared notes following the Board leadership retreat.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business or discussion before the Board, Mr. Hughes made the motion seconded by Ms. Saffle to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wright adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeff Eigenmann, Secretary Lance Wright, President

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_  
Date