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THE DISTRICT of Bernalillo Public Schools Board of Education - Regular Board Meeting  
CALL IN NUMBER: 1 253 215 8782 MEETING ID: 825 2454 1647  
PASSCODE: 729643  
THURSDAY, September 26, 2024, 5:30 P.M.  
Meeting held at Bernalillo High School

The Bernalillo Public Schools Board of Education met in a regular meeting on Thursday, September 26, 2024, at Bernalillo High School and via Zoom.

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Madrid called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND SALUTE TO THE NEW MEXICO FLAG**

**BERNALILLO PUBLIC SCHOOLS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call showed the following members in attendance. PRESENT: Paul Madrid, President; Cordy Chavez, Vice President; Christine Suina, Secretary (virtual); Mike Archibeque, Member and John Gurule, Member. ABSENT: None, Quorum was present and the meeting proceeded.

**DISSEMINATION OF ANNOUNCEMENT OF DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR HOLDING THIS MEETING**

Mr. Montaño affirmed the dissemination of announcement of date, time and place for holding the meeting complied with board policy.

**AGREEMENT ON CONTENT OF AGENDA**

By general consensus of the Board, the agenda was approved as presented.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Guests were welcomed.

**OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE/PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**NEA**

None.

**RECOGNITIONS**

Mr. Anthony Jaramillo, SLA Principal, Ms. Anita Apodaca, SLA Assistant Principal, and Jaiden Gonzales, SLA student presented the Board with the 2024-25 Traveling Trophies. SLA students, Jaiden Gonzales, Jace Montoya, Lilliana Garcia, and Lucas Padilla, along with Mr. Polanco created these traveling trophies.

**Teacher of the Month** – Carmela Martinez, Teacher at Cochiti Elementary School. Award sponsored by Ashley Duran State Farm Insurance.



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**Administrator of the Month** – Danielle Thomson-Sena, Principal Bernalillo Elementary School. Award sponsored by MA Strategies.

**Instructional Support of the Month** – Amy DeBernardi, School Psychologist. Award sponsored by J & M Printing.

**Non-Instructional Support of the Month** – Alberto Carrasco-Duran, District Roofer. Award sponsored by Wire Nut Electric.

**Student of the Month** – Kanala Macias, Junior at Bernalillo High School. Award sponsored by Circle B Ranch.

#### **BERNALILLO HIGH SCHOOL REPORT – Ms. Sanchez-Padilla, Principal Bernalillo High School**

Bernalillo High School staff presented the variety of programs and athletics offered at Bernalillo High School.

- Ricardo Vazquez - Culinary Arts
- Stephanie Gurule-Leyba - Biomedical
- Miranda Snider - Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) and High Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM)
- Alicia Duran - English Language Development for Emergent Bilinguals
- Cynthia Thomas - College, Career, and Military Readiness
- Marisol Aragon and Lupe Cervantes - GEAR UP Opportunities
- Jennifer Jaramillo - Student Council, BHS Activities, and Student Engagement
- Lorilei Chavez - Spartan Indigenous Student Union and Events
- Jared Lesansee - Cross Country
- Ariana Aragon Borg - Volleyball
- Jennifer Jaramillo - Cheer
- Andrea Romero - Girls Basketball
- Ira Harge - Boys Basketball
- Aaron Budagher - Baseball
- Cody Marquez - Wrestling
- Marissa Valencia - Softball and Powerlifting, team GPA 3.5

#### **SAFETY REPORT – Mr. Maes**

The Raptor System is currently in use across all school sites, including the District Office and the BHS guard shack. Mr. Maes presented the Board with a summary of visitor and contractor sign-ins by school site from 8/22/24 to 9/25/24. Ms. Chavez raised concerns about the high number of students being checked out or arriving late, questioning why parents are frequently visiting schools and expressing worry about potential disruptions to student learning.

Mr. Maes informed the Board that he will collaborate with Rave and Raptor on reunification plans for all school sites. Additionally, the district is transitioning to the Verkada Security System, which will enhance camera quality and provide key card access. The implementation of these projects will be site-specific.



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Efforts are also underway to cover all vulnerable windows. Mr. Madrid suggested utilizing the Fund Acquisition Committee to explore additional funding options.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: There will be no discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which event the item may be placed on the agenda under action items.**

**Minutes of 08/22/24, and 09/12/24**

Minutes presented for approval.

No questions or comments.

Mr. Archibeque motions to approve the minutes presented.

Mr. Gurule seconds the motion. All members voted in the affirmative and the Motion carries.

**Consolidated Board Report**

Consolidated Board Report presented for approval.

No questions or comments.

Mr. Archibeque motions to approve the August Consolidated Board Report.

Mr. Gurule seconds the motion. All members voted in the affirmative and the motion carries

**Voided Check Listing**

Voided check listing presented for approval.

No questions or comments.

Mr. Archibeque motions to approve the voided check listing.

Mr. Gurule seconds the motion. All members voted in the affirmative and the motion carries.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ACTION ITEM**

**Budget Adjustment Requests**

Budget Adjustment Requests (BARs) presented for approval.

No questions or comments.

Ms. Chavez makes a motion to approve the budget adjustment requests (BARs).

Mr. Archibeque seconds the motion. All members voted in the affirmative and the motion carries.



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### **August Vouchers**

August Vouchers presented for approval.

No comments or questions.

Ms. Chavez motions to approve the August Vouchers.

Mr. Archibeque seconds the motion. All members voted in the affirmative and the motion carries.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Montaño reminded everyone that September 30, 2024 to October 5, 2024 is the BHS Homecoming Week. The Homecoming Parade will be Wednesday, October 2, 2024 at 12:30 pm, and the Homecoming Football game will be Friday, October 4, 2024 at 7:30 pm. All students will be bused from their school site to the parade.

Mr. Gurule commended the district for its work on High-Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM) and grade-level instruction at Santo Domingo Middle School. During his recent visit, he observed the success of these initiatives in action.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment presented for approval.

Mr. Gurule motioned to adjourn.

Mr. Archibeque seconds the motion. All members voted in the affirmative and the motion carries. The time was 8:43 PM.

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COUNTY OF SANDOVAL    )

Each of the undersigned members of the Bernalillo Board of Education, being a majority of said Board, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of the August 22, 2024 minutes approved by said Board at an open meeting on September 26, 2024, advance notice of which was given in accordance with law. Witness our hands and the seal of said Board.

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Paul Madrid, President

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Cordy Chavez, Vice President

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Christine Suina, Secretary

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Mike Archibeque, Member

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John Gurule, Member