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HATCH VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTS October 15, 2025

Board Members Present:

Rey Gonzalez, Joaquin Legarreta, Chris Montez, Elva Garay, & Richard Marquez

School Personnel Present:

Andrew Campbell and S. Elsa Ramirez

Visitors:

Dr. Linda Paul, Tom Sullivan, and Dora Chairez

Call to order 6:00 pm

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance & Salute to the New Mexico Flag

Purpose of Special Meeting: Current Superintendent Contract and review/select Superintendent Applications

1. Approval of the Agenda

Action: Secretary Montez motioned to approve, seconded by Vice President Legarreta
Voice Vote: Gonzalez: YES, Legarreta: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Marquez: YES
Motion Carried

2. Executive Session

The Board will go into Executive Session in accordance with Section 10-15-2, NMSA 1978 of the Open Meetings Act to discuss limited personnel matters related to the Current Superintendent Contract and review/select Superintendent applications. No action will be taken until the Board returns to open session.

Action: Secretary Montez motioned to approve, seconded by Member Marquez
Voice Vote: Gonzalez: YES, Legarreta: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Marquez: YES
Motion Carried

The Board members convened to an executive session at 6:01

3. Reconvene to Open Session

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:13

President Gonzalez brought the meeting back to regular open session where he indicated that no action was taken.

Action: Secretary Montez motion to approve. seconded by Member Marquez
Voice Vote: Gonzalez: YES, Legarreta: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Marquez: YES:
Motion Carried

President Gonzalez announced that the Board had selected the candidates for an interview. There will be a press release as soon as everyone has been notified.

4. Possible Action on the Current Superintendent Contract

President Gonzalez moved to have the authorization with consultation with legal counsel to negotiate and upon a successful negotiation executive a separation agreement with Superintendent Chavez.

Action: President Gonzalez, motion to approve, seconded by Member Marquez

Voice Vote: Vice President Legarreta: YES, Member Garay: NO, Member Marquez: YES, Secretary Montez: NO, President Gonzalez: YES

Motion Carried 3-2

5. Adjournment

Board President Gonzalez asked for a motion to adjourn. Secretary Montez made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Garay. On a voice vote the motion was passed unanimously by the Board.

The above minutes are a true and correct reflection of the Board of Education's special meeting on October 15, 2025

AFFIRMATION:

ATTEST:

Rey Gonzalez, President

Chris Montez, Secretary