

**HATCH VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
February 11, 2026**

Board Members Present:

Rey Gonzalez, Joaquin Legarreta (on zoom), Chris Montez, Elva Garay, and Richard Marquez

Board Members Absent or Tardy

N/A

School Personnel Present:

Superintendent Chavez, Sheila Stevenson Louis Reyna, Luis Meza, Carrie Hernandez, Kim O'Byrne, Latishia Zamora, Taryn Fogle, Alma Aguilar, Maria G. Balcazar, DeAnna Lopez, Fernie Sanchez, Brandy Holguin, Rosa Cardona, Maribel Gutierrez, Maria Arriaga, Maria Munoz, Libby Gonzalez, Luz Molinar and Elsa Ramirez

Visitors

Charlie Poe, Andrea Legarreta, Concha L. Benavidez, Arnulfo Moreno, Claudia Y Rangel, Joey Montenegro, Maria E Alvarez, Dora Chairez, Marcela Aguilar, Mireya Moreno, Juan Gomez, Abby Adams, Alberto Lazalde, Mauricio Gomez, Maria Silva, Laura Calderon, David M Silva, Petra Vazquez, Aleyda Benavidez, Erika Lack, Amparo Olvera, Carlos Pacheco, Maria G Cisneros, Leonardo Alcala, Steve Bouvet Jr., Celia Andrade, Monica Vacio, Yolanda Rodriguez, Lucia Cortes, Marlen Campos, Faviola S Martinez, Maria Martinez, Lola Reyes, Perla Chairez, Silvia Soto, Veronica Alaniz, Margarita Moreno, Maria Sanchez, Mara G Reyes, Valentin Reyes, Rosa Moreno, Irma Vazquez, Maritza Serrano, Araceli Gomez, Elisa Gomez, Augustin Gonzalez., Maribel Gomez, Johana Rodriguez, and Karelly Rodriguez

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance & Salute to the NM Flag

1. **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A. Approval of Agenda

B. Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Meeting January 14, 2026 and Special Board Meetings from January 17, 2026 and February 3, 2026

C. Approval of January 2026 Bills

D. Approval of Budget Adjustments/Requests/Transfers/Cash Request

Maintenance BARs: 11000, 13000, 24101, 24160, 26121, 28190, 31703

Increase BARs: 11000, 15200, 22000, 23000, 29102, 25153, 31100, 31200, 31701, 31703, 41000

Decrease BARs: 12000, 21000

Action: Voice Vote: Marquez: YES, Gonzalez: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: NO, Legarreta: YES
Motion Carried 4-1

2. **Superintendent Report**

Heart of the Bear Award -

Carrie Hernandez, NM ACTE Lifetime Achievement Award

Kim O'Bryne, NM ACTE Educator of the Year Award

DeAna Lopez, NM ACTE Counselor Fellowship Program

Alberto Lazalde, Finalist for the Daniels Scholarship Fund

Superintendent Michael Chavez, is presented the Heart of the Bear Award in a grateful recognition of your unwavering dedication, visionary leadership, and profound impact on Hatch Valley Public Schools.

HVMS Bilingual Program

- David Silva announced that he will be opening up a Newspaper in Hatch
- Athletic Districts Realignment presentation by AD Fernie Sanchez
- Bond Sale Final Pricing Presentation by Crystal Pritchard

3. Limited Public Comment

Joey Montenegro, Laura Calderon,

4. New Business

A. Consideration of and approval of a Resolution on Intent to Maintain Mill Levy Rate

Action: Member Garay motioned to approve, seconded by Secretary Montez

Voice Vote: Marquez: YES, Gonzalez: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Legarreta: YES

Motion Carried

B. Approval of the Audit

Action: Secretary Montez motioned to TABLE, seconded by Member Garay

Voice Vote: Marquez: YES, Gonzalez: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Legarreta: YES

Motion to TABLE Carried

C. Approval of the purchase of chrome books form MNJ Technologies Direct, Inc.

Action: Secretary Montez motioned to approve, seconded by Member Garay

Voice Vote: Marquez: YES, Gonzalez: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Legarreta: YES

Motion Carried

D. Approval of the purchase of a new Activity Bus

Action: Member Garay motioned to approve, seconded by Secretary Montez

Voice Vote: Marquez: YES, Gonzalez: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Legarreta: YES

Motion Carried

E. Approval of installation of lighting at HVMS Track

Action: Member Garay motioned to approve, seconded by Secretary Montez

Voice Vote: Marquez: YES, Gonzalez: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Legarreta: YES

Motion Carried

F. Approval of purchase of HVHS Gym Bleachers

Action: Secretary Montez motioned to approve, seconded by Member Garay

Voice Vote: Marquez: YES, Gonzalez: YES, Montez: YES, Garay: YES, Legarreta: YES

Motion Carried

G. Discussion on District Calendar for 2026-27 SY, specifically 4-day School Day

5. Items for Future Meetings

Vote on a 4-day School Week, MS Science Olympiad Presentation

Board Awards, Board Evaluation Results, Executive Session

6. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 6:00 pm
at the SSTC

7. Adjournment

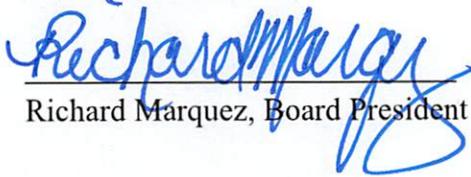
With no further business to be conducted, the President Marquez called for a motion to adjourn.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm

The above minutes are a true and correct reflection of the Board of Education's regular meeting on February 11, 2026

AFFIRMATION:


Richard Marquez, Board President

ATTEST:


Chris Montez, Board Secretary