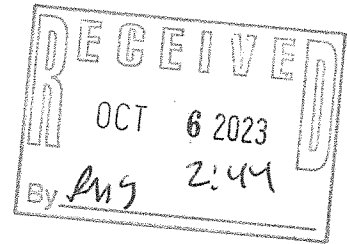


REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 20  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 28, 2023



1. Call to Order The Board of Education meeting held at Warren School and remote was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Emily Cole.

Members present: Emily Cole, Chair, John Morosani, Vice Chair, Alexandria Papp, Secretary, Andrew Tita, Treasurer, Jannelle Carroll, Krista Rizzo, Joanne Moore, Bill Davenport, Christine Lauretano, Jennifer Munson, Rob DeLayo, and Tiffany Parkhouse. Also present: Chris Leone, Superintendent, Krista Rizzo, Assistant Superintendent, Julie Haggard, Assistant Superintendent of Pupil Services, and Deanna Marchand, Region 20 Project Coordinator.

2. Pledge of Allegiance  
Emily Cole invited everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Committee Reports  
Bill Davenport provided the ASTE Committee update commenting on a review of student enrollment to date, received legislative updates, discussed the process and interviewing team members for the ASTE Principal position, and received a status on the land use agreement with the Arethusa Farm Foundation.

Krista Rizzo shared that the Communications Committee discussed an in-person Community Forum on December 5, 2023, text messaging Board meeting dates to the community, that engagement is up as the district has added 169 new contacts for Region 20 news, and the committee may potentially do a survey on means of communication with the community on Board news.

Joanne Moore commented that the Long Term Planning Committee meeting, with extended time, discussed the 36 proposed high school names from the Board. After an extensive discussion, it was agreed to table the naming of the high school until the next meeting in October. The committee also reviewed the draft BOE goals that will go before the Board in October.

Andrew Tita said the Finance Committee reviewed a copier contract, Litchfield debt reconciliation proposals, Region 6 to Region 20 Solar PPAs (Purchase Power Agreements), and an RFP timeline for health insurance.

Rob DeLayo provided the Facilities Committee update commenting on a discussion of applying for HVAC grants from the state. The committee decided against this given the 50% reimbursement rate and having to lay out funds upfront. The committee also discussed branding with little change at the elementary schools versus the high schools, and he thanked the Finance Committee for agreeing to take on the Co-op Sports programs.

4. Chairman's Report  
Upcoming Board of Education Meetings  
• October 19 – Litchfield Intermediate School – 7:00 p.m.

- November 9 – Wamogo – 7:00 p.m.
- December 14 – Litchfield Center School – 7:00 p.m.

5. Approval of Minutes

- 5.1 Curriculum Committee minutes of September 14, 2023
- 5.2 Long Term Planning Committee minutes of September 14, 2023
- 5.3 Finance Committee minutes of September 14, 2023
- 5.4 Facilities Committee minutes of September 14, 2023
- 5.5 Board of Education minutes of September 14, 2023

John Morosani made a motion to combine the Committee and Board of Education meeting minutes of September 14, 2023, for approval. Christine Lauretano seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

John Morosani made a motion to approve the combined Committee and Board of Education meeting minutes of September 14, 2023. Tiffany Parkhouse seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Public Comment

Individuals offering public comment should please state their first and last name and the town where they reside. Remarks should be limited to no more than three minutes. A maximum time limit of 30 minutes will be allocated for public comment at any one meeting. Individuals representing a common interest or topic may be asked to have one individual speak for the group. Public comments must be relevant to the meeting's agenda. Speakers shall direct all comments to the Board, not to individual BOE members or administrators. Profane or vulgar language, partisan political statements, and comments related to the conduct or performance of staff are not permitted. Public comment is received without Board comment or response, the Board is to keep comments "under advisement." However, BOE members may seek clarification or additional information from speakers through the Chairman.

None

7. Superintendent Update

Mr. Leone's Superintendent Update included the following: a status on Region 6 and Litchfield property transfers, a combined Litchfield/Wamogo grade 6-12 student event, an AFSCME negotiations update, a Budget Calendar, and student t-shirts.

8. Action Items

8.1 Approval of Insurance RFP

John Morosani made a motion for the Approval of Insurance RFP. Bill Davenport seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.2 Approval of Google Migration Statement of Work

Christine Lauretano made a motion for the Approval of Google Migration Statement of Work. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.3 Approval of Branding Sheet

Christine Lauretano made a motion for the Approval of Branding Sheet. Tiffany Parkhouse seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.4 Approval of Teacher Education of Mentoring (TEAM) Program

Krista Rizzo made a motion for Teacher Education of Mentoring (TEAM) Program. Christine Lauretano seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.5 Approval of RSD6 to Region 20 Solar Agreement

John Morosani made a motion for the Approval of RSD6 to Region 20 Solar Agreement. Bill Davenport seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.6 Approval of the R20 CBS Proposal for Printing

Krista Rizzo made a motion for the Approval of R20 CBS Proposal for Printing. Jannelle Carroll seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.7 Region 20 BOE Meeting Calendar – January-December 2024 (First Read)

Mr. Leone requested the Board review the proposed meeting calendar and provide any feedback prior to the October meeting as the calendar will go before the Board for Second Read – Approval at that time.

9. Executive Session

John Morosani made a motion to enter Executive Session and invited Mr. Leone, Ms. Della Volpe, and Ms. Haggard. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Entered Executive Session: 7:18 p.m.

John Morosani made a motion to exit Executive Session. Krista Rizzo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Exited Executive Session: 7:38 p.m.

10. Adjournment There being no further business to come before the Board Tiffany Parkhouse made a motion to adjourn. Rob DeLayo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Escobar  
Secretary, pro-tem