

**17<sup>TH</sup> CNMI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
Friday, January 28, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.  
Board of Education Conference Room  
Building 1241, Capitol Hill, Saipan MP**

**FINAL MINUTES**

**PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members present:**

Herman M. Atalig, SGM (Ret)  
Antonio L. Borja  
Gregory P. Borja  
Andrew L. Orsini  
Maisie B. Tenorio (online)  
Phyllis M. Ain (online)  
Ronald E. Snyder  
Jed R. Sta. Theresa

All eight (8) members present, a quorum was established.

**PSS/BOE Staff Present:**

Alfred B. Ada, Ed.D. – Commissioner of Education  
Yvonne R. Pangelinan – Senior Director, Student & Support Services  
Rizalina Liwag – Senior Director, Accountability, Research & Evaluation (ARE)  
Bernie Calvo – Acting Federal Programs Officer  
Arlene Lizama – Finance Director  
Lucretia Borja- Human Resources Office (HRO) Director  
Tiberius Mocanu, Esq. – Legal Counsel  
Marian Tudela – Accreditation Program Manager, ARE  
Edward Tenorio – PSS Financial Consultant  
Jesse Tenorio – Director, State Infrastructure Technology (SIT)  
Ferdinand Ngirmekur – Network Specialist, SIT  
Crystal Deleon Guerrero – Director, Facilities, Development & Management  
Lathania Angui – Director, Head Start/Early Head Start Program  
Ignacia Demapan – Elementary School Principals Representative  
Martha Kintol – Middle School Principals Representative  
Jonathan Aguon – High School Principals Representative  
Valerie K. Malwelbug – Office Manager, BOE

**Others Present (online):**

Alex Menor  
Anna Guerrero  
Annette Calvo  
Anthony Frank  
Arisa Sakai  
Ashley Roberto  
Ben Jr.  
Bobby Cruz  
Brandon Nicholas  
Dale Roberts  
Darlene Aldan  
Dencio Manglona  
Denise King  
Derwin Johnson  
Dominic Pangelinan  
Donna Flores  
Elizabeth Aguon  
Elizabeth Romolor  
Emmanuel Erdiano  
Evonne Cabrera  
Frances Ulloa  
Francisca Bondoc  
Glenn Smith  
Gregory Borja  
Herman's Bakery  
Ignacia Demapan  
Ignacio Dela Cruz  
Jackie A. Quitugua  
Jacuelin Che  
Jessica Taylor  
Jesusa Calvo  
Jocelyn Manibusan  
Jojo Alepuyo  
Jonas Barcinas  
Karen Alla  
Leile Yumul  
Livia Pangelinan  
Liz Romolor  
Lori Lyn Lirio  
Lynn Mendiola  
Magdalena Mesngon  
Maria Ornes

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Vice-Chair Antonio L. Borja moved to adopt the agenda. Madam Secretary Maisie B. Tenorio seconded, all five (5) members voted yes, motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Student Representative Jed R. Sta. Theresa, Ms. Laura M. Ogo and M. Sikebert spoke of the new COVID cases on Rota and the concerns of reopening the school face-to-face.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **ACTION NO. 001**

Member SGM Herman M. Atalig moved to approve the Part B FFY2020-2025 State Performance Plan & Annual Performance Report (SPP & APR) and State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP). Member Andrew L. Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

#### **ACTION NO. 002**

Member SGM Atalig moved to approve the Part C SPP & APR. Member Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

#### **ACTION NO. 03**

Member SGM Atalig moved to approve the Counselor's Week Proclamation of February 7-11, 2022. Member Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

#### **ACTION NO. 004**

Member SGM Atalig moved to approve the Pupil Transportation Week Proclamation of February 21-25, 2022. Member Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

#### **ACTION NO. 005**

Member SGM Atalig moved to approve the Garapan Elementary School Cafeteria project. Member Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

#### **ACTION NO. 06**

Member Orsini moved to approve the CLO Report No. 2022-17-01. Member SGM Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

#### **ACTION NO. 07**

Member Orsini moved to discuss the dates of the quarterly meetings in executive session, Member SGM Atalig seconded. Two (2) members (MBT & ALB) voted no, three (3) members (HMA, ALO, GPB) voted yes; motion carried.

The next Quarterly meetings are set for April 8, 2022 on Tinian, July 29, 2022 on Rota and October 21, 2022 on Saipan.



**ACTION NO. 08**

Member Orsini moved to discuss the Protocol for Rota Schools in executive session, Vice-Chair Borja seconded. Four (4) members (HMA, ALB, GPB, ALO) voted yes, one (1) member (MBT) voted no; motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Madam Secretary Tenorio moved to descend into executive session at 2:09 p.m. Member Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried. Member Orsini moved to rise out of executive session at 3:22 p.m., Member SGM Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

Legal Counsel Tiberius Mocanu gave a summary of the executive session. Things discussed in executive session were regarding closure of schools on Rota and Commissioner's evaluation and were appropriate for executive session.

**ACTION NO. 09**

Member Orsini moved to direct Chair Gregory P. Borja to ensure that Commissioner's request follow through. Member SGM Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried. Chair Gregory P. Borja is in support of Commissioner's plan of action for Rota. The Commissioner will be meeting with the Key Management and Rota after the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Member Orsini moved to adjourn the meeting, Member SGM Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.<sup>1</sup>

**CERTIFIED BY:**



**Maisie B. Tenorio**  
**BOE Secretary/Treasurer**

05.06.22

**Date**

**CONCURRED BY:**



**Gregory P. Borja**  
**BOE Chairperson**

5/6/22

**Date**

<sup>1</sup> This Minutes was adopted at the April 7, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.