

**18TH CNMI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Friday, April 21, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.
Board of Education Conference Room
Building 1241, Capitol Hill, Saipan
via zoom (link below)**

FINAL MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present:

Herman M. Atalig, SGM (Ret)
Antonio L. Borja
Gregory P. Borja
Andrew L. Orsini
Maisie B. Tenorio
Ronald E. Snyder
Ryan Michael Nuera (online)

Member absent:

Dora B. Miura

Seven (7) members were present, a quorum was established.

PSS/BOE Staff Present:

Alfred B. Ada, Ed.D. – Commissioner of Education
Eric Magofna – Associate Commissioner for Administrative Services (ACAS)
Yvonne R. Pangelinan – Senior Director, Student & Support Services (SSS)
Rizalina Liwag – Senior Director, Accountability, Research & Evaluation (ARE)
Melisha San Nicolas – Acting Federal Programs Officer (FPO)
Arlene Lizama – Finance Director
Lucretia Deleon Guerrero- Human Resources Office (HRO) Director
Tiberius Mocanu, Esq. – Legal Counsel, BOE
Michael Ernest, Esq. – Legal Counsel, PSS
Ferdinand Ngirmekur – Network Specialist, SIT
Nikita P. Robert – Administrative Specialist, BOE
Jocelyn M. Saures – Administrative Assistant, BOE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Member Andrew L. Orsini moved to amend the agenda moving New Business no. 15 to 9 and no. 3 to 1. Member Maisie B. Tenorio seconded, and all five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried. The agenda was adopted as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTION NO. 001

Member Orsini moved to approve the Early Intervention Part C Grant Application. Secretary/Treasurer Gregory P. Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 002

Member Orsini moved to approve the Special Education Part B Grant Application. Member Tenorio seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 003

Vice Chairman SGM Herman M. Atalig moved to pre-approve the FY2021 Audit while waiting for corrective actions to be given before the next Regular Board meeting in May. Member Orsini seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 004

Member Orsini moved to approve the FY 2024 Budget Request with corrections to be made. Secretary/Treasurer Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

A recess was called at 11:47 a.m. and resumed at 12:34 p.m.

ACTION NO. 005

Secretary/Treasurer Borja moved to approve the FY 2023 Consolidated Grant (CG) Spending Allocations. Vice Chairman SGM Atalig seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 006

Secretary/Treasurer Borja moved to approve the Head Start/Early Head Start FY 2023. Vice Chairman SGM Atalig seconded. Four (4) members (HMA, GPB, ALO, MBT) voted yes, and one (1) member (ALB) recused himself; the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 007

Member Orsini moved to approve the CLO Report No. 2023-18-02. Secretary/Treasurer Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Member Tenorio moved to descend into executive session at 2:02 p.m. Secretary/Treasurer Borja seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; motion carried.

At 3:15 p.m. Chairman Borja proposed for a workshop for Board Executive meetings preferably in June 2023.

Commissioner Ada requested the dates of the meetings as follows:

- Monday, May 15, 2023 – Saipan
- Friday, August 11, 2023 – Tinian
- October 26 or 27, 2023
- Thursday, November 2, 2023 – Saipan

This last day was proposed by Secretary/Treasurer Borja to have before Education Day

ADJOURNMENT- Member Tenorio moved to adjourn the meeting, Member Tenorio seconded. All five (5) members voted yes; the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.¹

CERTIFIED BY:



Gregory P. Borja
BOE Secretary/Treasurer

8/16/2023
Date

CONCURRED BY:



Antonio L. Borja
BOE Chairperson

8/16/2023
Date

¹ This Minutes was adopted at the May 18, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

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