

**19th CNMI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Friday, August 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.
Board of Education Conference Room
Building No. 1241, Capitol Hill, Saipan
Via Zoom**

FINAL MINUTES

John Sablan Blanco was sworn in as the Non-Public School Representative to the 19th CNMI State Board of Education by Chairman Aschumar Kodep Ogumoro-Uludong.

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

Roll Call

Members present:

Aschumar Kodep Ogumoro-Uludong
Anthony Dela Cruz Barcinas
Antonio L. Borja
Andrew L. Orsini
Maisie B. Tenorio
John S. Blanco
Vinnie Juan Q. Sablan

Members absent:

Dora B. Miura (excused)

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

BOE/PSS Staff present:

Lawrence F. Camacho – Commissioner of Education (COE)
Eric Magofna – Associate Commissioner of Administrative Services (ACAS)
Jacqueline Che – Federal Programs Officer (FPO)
Arlene Lizama – Director of Finance (DOF)
Yvonne Pangelinan – Senior Director, Office of Accountability, Research and Evaluation (ARE)
Rizalina Liwag – Senior Director, Office of Curriculum and Instruction (OCI)
Jackie Quitugua – Senior Director, Office of Student Support and Services (SSS)
Donna Flores – Director, Special Education Program (SPED)
Lucretia Deleon Guerrero – Director, Human Resources Office (HRO)
Lathania Angui – Director, Head Start/Early Head Start Program (HS/EHS)
Lorraine Catienza – Director, Office of Instructional Technology and Distance Education (ITDE)
Jesse Tenorio – Director, State Infrastructure Technology (SIT)

Liela Yumul – Program Director, Family Engagement and Community Involvement (FECI)
Michael Ernest – Legal Counsel
Tiberius Mocanu – Legal Counsel (virtual)
Viola Alepuyo – Legal Counsel
Jocelyn Saures – Administrative Assistant, State Board of Education (BOE)
Mary-Jo Camacho – Administrative Specialist, State Board of Education (BOE)

Others present via Zoom:

Tim Williams	Glenn	Ferdy Ngirmekur
Elizabeth Romolor	Chelsea M. Adams	Ben Seman
ADMIN	Alisa Pangelinan	Lynette
peter scully	Alexander Mahone	Jasylene Parico
JTaylor	Jeaniffer Cubangbang	Master
Melanie Rdiall	Melisha Mendez	Melisha San Nicolas
EE	A. Sakai	Ignacia Demapan
James Sablan	Tony	943765
Anthony Frank	C	Corinna Stiles
Dave Wickstrom	Carla S	EA
Erin Camacho	FC	Geri Delacruz
H. Stole	Hilda Rios	IPhone
iPhone	Nieber	Nora Fujihira
Preston Basa	pss	Ruth Calvo
Stephanie Brown	Tanya Vila	Tiberius Mocanu
SSN	Victoria	user
User	WM	Lillian
Gov SA	Guest	Fatima Manaloto
ECA	C.O.	Ayden Yumul
Ben Jr.	Annette Sablan	KT
Christine Joy Cabang	Naomi Nishimura	Nick Gross
MQ	snorita	User
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Cherlyn Osung	J.V.	LM
Femie Rey	AP	Tanya's ipad
Zoomy McZoomface	USER	Robin Palacios
Liela Yumul	RLP	Lathania Angui
Yvonne Pangelinan	Paulette Tomokane	Lucretia DLG
Marvin Tamangided		

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Member Maisie Tenorio motioned to adopt the agenda with the amendments to table the Adoption of Minutes, Chair's Report, Committee Reports, and New Business Items 5 and 8 and to defer New Business Items 4 and 6 to Executive Session. Secretary/Treasurer Antonio Borja seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted in favor, and the motion carried. The agenda was adopted as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTION NO. 001:

Secretary/Treasurer Borja motioned to approve CLO Report No. 2025-19-003. Member Tenorio seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 002:

Member Tenorio motioned to approve and adopt the School Year 2025-2026 School Meals Menu. Vice-Chairman Anthony Barcinas seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

ACTION NO. 003:

Member Tenorio motioned to approve the Head Start/Early Head Start Budget Revision Application – Non-Federal Waiver Request and Carryover Request – Reprogram Application. Member Andrew Orsini seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

The BOE called for a break at 11:20 a.m. and returned at 12:10 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Member Tenorio motioned to descend into Executive Session. Secretary/Treasurer Borja seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted in favor, and the motion carried. The meeting descended into Executive Session at 12:10 p.m.

Member Orsini motioned to ascend from Executive Session. Member Tenorio seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted in favor, and the motion carried. The meeting returned to plenary session at 3:03 p.m.

Legal Counsel Mocanu stated that the content of Executive Session included discussions on employee grievance statuses, procedures and possible resolutions, the organization of the BOE, the Job Vacancy Announcement (JVA) for Engineer and Legal Counsel positions, and the

coordination between the Full Board and Standing Committees, all of which were appropriate for Executive Session.

ACTION NO. 004:

Secretary/Treasurer Borja motioned to approve and open a JVA for the Engineer position. Vice-Chairman Barcinas seconded the motion. Four (4) members voted in favor, and one (1) member voted against it. With the majority voting in favor, the motion carried.

The JVA for the Legal Counsel position was tabled due to changes and for further discussion.

MISCELLANEOUS

Chairman Ogumoro-Uludong stated that all items that were tabled will be brought forward to the next Board meeting. He further stated that all PSS bus routes need to be revisited for the accommodation and safety of students. Chairman Ogumoro-Uludong also recommended that PSS Athletic Director Nicholas Gross have student athletes engage with other students to further inspire and promote the sports community.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Orsini motioned to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chairman Barcinas seconded the motion. All five (5) members voted in favor, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.¹

CERTIFIED BY:



Antonio L. Borja
BOE Secretary/Treasurer

10/15/2025
Date

CONCURRED BY:



Aschumar Kodep Ogumoro-Uludong
BOE Chair

11/15/25
Date

¹ These Minutes were adopted at the October 15, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.