

The Wagon Mound Schools Board of Education, School District #45, Mora County, New Mexico, held a special meeting on February 22, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. in the Zack and Eloisa Montoya Administration Building of the Wagon Mound Public Schools

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Tony Rubin called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**2. Roll Call**

Board members present at the meeting were Chairman Tony Rubin and Mr. Eldie Cruz. Mr. Tom Herrera, Mrs. Terri Mares joined via zoom and Mrs. Camille Cornell was absent.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome Guests**

Present at the meeting was Judy Muniz.

**\*4. Approval of the Agenda**

Chairman Tony Rubin presented the Agenda and asked members if they had any questions or comments. At this time Superintendent Romero recommended approval of the Agenda as presented to the Board. Chairman Tony Rubin entertained a motion to act on the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Agenda as presented to the Board and recommended by the Superintendent. Mrs. Terri Mares made the motion and Mr. Eldie Cruz seconded the motion to approve the Agenda as presented to the Board and recommended by the Superintendent. All members present voted in favor of the motion (4-0). Motion carried.

**5. Public Comment – No one signed up for Public Comment at this time.**

**\*6. Governor's New Mask Mandate – Do we keep requiring masks or not**


The Board discussed the Governor's New Mask Mandate and decided to leave the decision to the parents on whether they want their child or children to continue wearing a mask. Staff will make that decision for themselves. The Board also stated that if there is an increase in COVID cases (3% of the student or staff population) the masks will again be required to be worn at all times. Superintendent Romero stated that she will refer to the Bullying policy if there are students that are bullied because of still choosing to wear a mask. Superintendent Romero stated that Mr. Ernesto Juarez had spoken to her about wanting his Pre-K students to wear a mask at all times. He and Ms. Josie Peralta will also wear a mask at all times. He stated that because these students are too young to be able to get the vaccine, he thinks they still need to be protected by wearing a mask. Superintendent Romero recommended approval stating that parents of the students will make the decision for their child or children to wear a mask. Chairman Tony Rubin entertained a motion to act on the Superintendent's recommendation for approval stating that parents of the students will make the decision for their child or children to wear a mask as presented to the Board and recommended by the Superintendent. Mrs. Terri Mares made the motion and Mr. Eldie Cruz seconded the motion to act on the Superintendent's recommendation for approval stating that parents of the students will make the decision for their child or

children to wear a mask as presented to the Board and recommended by the Superintendent. All members present voted in favor of the motion (4-0). Motion carried.

7. **Future Planning – Monthly Board Meeting on March 16, 2022 at 6:00 pm,** Superintendent Romero stated that Wagon Mound will be hosting the Regional Board Meeting in April.

**\*8. Adjournment**

Chairman Tony Rubin entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Tom Herrera made the motion and Mrs. Terri Mares seconded the motion to adjourn. All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried (4-0). Meeting adjourned at 6:19 P.M.

  
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**PRESIDENT, BOARD OF EDUCATION**

  
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**ATTEST CLERK**