






NEW MEXICO INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Governing Council Regular Meeting DRAFT MINUTES

DATE: August 21, 2025

TIME: 6:00 PM

 ATTEND IN-PERSON NMIS Conference Room 7215 Montgomery Blvd., NE Albuquerque, NM 87109 <i>To attend in-person, you must sign up with the school receptionist in our main lobby at least 6 hours before the start of the meeting.</i>	 ATTEND VIA GOOGLE MEET https://meet.google.com/xwg-hn-bb-mgs	 ATTEND VIA TELEPHONE (470) 243-0737 PIN: 332 929 282#
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A. INTRODUCTION

a. Call Meeting to Order (President)

Meeting called to order at **6:02 pm** by **John Jones**

b. Roll Call (Secretary)

Roll call completed by **Secretary Susan Martinez**

Member	Present in-person	Present via GoogleMeet	Present via Telephone	ABSENT
Joe Deblassie		x		
John Jones		x		
Bobby Wallace		x		
Susan Martinez		x		
Barbara Rothweiler		joined 6:04		

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c. Adoption of Agenda for Today's Meeting (President)

Discussion:

- John and Bobby requested item Ce be moved from discussion/action to a consent agenda item.
- The policy committee met prior to this meeting and has approved the recommended changes to the policy referenced.

Motion to “accept agenda for August 21 as amended above” made by: John

Seconded: Bobby

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

motion **PASSES**

d. Approval of Minutes (Secretary)

i. [Regular Meeting June 12, 2025](#)

Motion to “approve minutes of June 12 as submitted” made by: Bobby

Seconded: Susan

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

motion **PASSES**

ii. [Special Meeting July 10, 2025](#)

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Motion to “approve minutes of July 10 as submitted” made by: Bobby

Seconded: Susan

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

motion **PASSES**

e. Public Comment (President):

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Governing Council (GC) for up to five minutes with comments or issues, whether or not they are posted on the agenda. The President may reduce the time for each participant to speak to ensure adequate time to conduct GC business. The GC, by law, cannot take action nor have any discussions or deliberation on any presentation made to it concerning an item not listed on the agenda. Any item presented may be noticed on a future agenda for deliberation or action.

Are members of the public present who wish to address the GC? Exclude members of the public who are present to present at the invitation of the GC on an agenda item.

No

B. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following items are **recommended for approval** via consent agenda by the respective committee. These items may **pass without discussion** if approved unanimously by a quorum of GC members participating in this meeting. Any GC member may remove any individual item from this list for discussion and possible action elsewhere in this agenda.

a. Finance Committee (Any GC member on this committee may make motion to accept without discussion)

i. Finance Reports

1. [June, 2025](#)

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Motion to approve above items recommended for approval by the Finance committee
made by: Barbara

Seconded: Susan

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

Motion Passes

2. [July, 2025](#)

Motion to approve above items recommended for approval by the Finance committee
made by: Barbara

Seconded: Susan

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

Motion Passes

ii. [BAR 31400-0002-I](#)

Motion to approve above items recommended for approval by the Finance committee
made by: Barbara

Seconded: Susan

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
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for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

Motion Passes

- b. Policy Committee** (Any GC member on this committee may make motion to accept without discussion)

i. [Amendment to Internal Controls Policy](#)

Motion to approve above items recommended for approval by the Policy committee made by: Bobby

Seconded: Susan

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

Motion Passes

C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- a. Discussion and Possible Action (President):** Discussion and action of any items removed from consent agenda (if applicable).

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

- b. Discussion and Possible Action (Program Coordinator Gutierrez):** Approval of [Middle School Fundraiser: Jogathon](#)

Discussion:

- Presentation by Coordinator Gutierrez.
- International travel plan, requires fundraising
- Last year's jogathon was the first. Raised over \$20,000 (goal was \$5,000)
- Only spent \$6000 of funds raised last year. Scholarships provided to low-income families for international trip to Agua Prieta Mexico last year.

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- Request is to repeat the event for this year
- Funds to be used once again for scholarships for low income families on international trips. Additional purpose for funds is also proposed: use of funds for all field trip bus costs.

Motion to approve Middle School Jogathon Fundraiser: Bobby

Seconded: Susan

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

Motion Passes

- c. **Discussion and Possible Action (Program Coordinator Pedrotty):** Approval of Student Council Fundraisers:
- i. International Night
 - ii. Polar Express Night
 - iii. Violin Showcase
 - iv. Canes Fundraiser

Discussion:

- Joseph Muller from student council presented. International night is a world-cup soccer tournament
 - school houses competing.
 - October 3 4:00-6:00pm.
 - Open for all students \$15, low income students free
 - Food truck present to donate 15% of sales
 - Goal is \$2000 to be used on new PE equipment
- Maia Elena Gallo Fischer from student council presented on Polar Express
 - Fri Dec 5 6:30-8:30
 - Presentation, song singing
 - Pictures with Santa and Ms. Claus and elves
 - \$10 tickets low income free
 - \$3000 goal used to fund staff appreciation events Jan-May 2026
- Joseph Muller from student council presented on violin showcase
 - K-8 Dia de Los Muertos showcase

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- Fry Nov 7 6-7pm
- \$10 per person
- \$2000 is goal. Funds to be used to upgrade instruments and help cover bus transportation for middle school orchestra to go to Hummingbird in Jemez in April
- Eliana Cosbey from student council presented on Canes fundraiser
 - Four restaurant fundraisers at Canes.
 - 10/1,, 11/19, 2/11,5/6
 - \$1000 goal. Funds used for scholarships for students for student council events and for staff on out-of-state trainings.

Bobby noted all student presenters for amazing work.

Motion to approve above student council fundraisers: Bobby

Seconded: Barbara

Roll Call Vote

	Joe	John	Bobby	Susan	Barbara
for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

Motion Passes

- d. **Discussion and Possible Action (Finance and Operations Director):** [Related Party Questionnaire](#)

Discussion:

- Corinne read out questions from questionnaire. GC members are to answer in the affirmative if any of the questions apply.
- Corinne will send document

- e. **Discussion and Possible Action (Head of School):** Approval of [Resolution FY26-01 Regarding Open Meetings Act.](#)

Discussion:

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Motion to approve Resolution 26-01: Bobby

Seconded: Susan

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Roll Call Vote

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for	x	x	x	x	x
against					
absent/abstain					

Motion Passes

- f. **Discussion (Head of School):** Review of part 1 “Executive Summary” (pages 1-18) of [Charter Renewal Application](#).

Discussion:

- The school is pursuing reauthorization with its current authorizer, APS.
- The current charter ends on June 30, 2026.
- The reauthorization application is due October 1, 2025.
- The Executive Summary portion of the application was provided to the GC members in advance of the meeting. It includes
 - Basic governance information
 - Demographic information
 - Enrollment over the term of the charter
 - Academic performance on the MSSA and ASR over the term of the charter
 - Statements of our instructional priorities and analysis of performance data.
 - Performance of Yazzie Martinez lawsuit sub groups.
 - Brief summary of our financial status.

D. CONCLUSION

- a. **Discussion (President):** Consideration of future discussion or action items from the members of the GC.

b. **Upcoming GC Meetings (Secretary) -**

- i. Finance Committee Meeting: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 @ 6pm
- ii. Regular GC Meeting: Thursday, September 18, 2025 @ 6:00 pm

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c. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at **6:54**

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