



J. PAUL TAYLOR ACADEMY

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**J. Paul Taylor Academy Charter School
Governance Council Special Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 30, 2017 6:30 PM (MDT)
402 W. Court Building 2, Las Cruces New Mexico 88005
JPTA Media Room**

I. Opening items

- A. The J. Paul Taylor Academy Governance Council met in open session on May 30, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. to conduct a special meeting.
1. Roll was called by Janet Acosta: Governance council members Ric Hernandez, Janet Acosta, Martin Lopez, and Stephanie Haan-Amato were present. A quorum was confirmed. Arthur Berkson, Yvette Turrieta, and Sherry McDowell were absent. Eric Ahner, Executive Director, and Gina Trujillo, Assistant Business Manager were also present.
- B. Chairman Ric Hernandez called for any conflicts of interest and no conflicts were stated.
- C. Executive Director Eric Ahner read the Mission Statement: *J. Paul Taylor Academy, in alliance with families at the school and community, will offer a rigorous, well rounded Spanish acquisition, project based instructional program in a smaller school to promote excellence for the diverse students of the Las Cruces area.*
- D. Stephanie Haan Amato moved to approve the agenda for May 30, 2017 Special Meeting. Martin Lopez seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Janet Acosta, Martin Lopez and Stephanie Haan-Amato.

II. Public Input

- A. Chairman Ric Hernandez called for any public input. No public input was stated at this time.
- B. Chairman Ric Hernandez called for any staff input. No staff input was stated at this time.

III. Finance

- A. The Idea B Application was briefly discussed. These funds are intended to be used for salary and benefits and as well for some supplies and materials. Janet Acosta moved to approve Idea B Application. Martin Lopez seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously by roll call vote with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Janet Acosta, Martin Lopez, and Stephanie Haan-Amato.
- B. The Title II application was briefly discussed. These Title II funds are intended to be used for Professional Development to improve instruction for our students. Janet Acosta moved to approve Title II Application as presented. Stephanie Haan Amato seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously by roll call vote with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Janet Acosta, Martin Lopez, and Stephanie Haan-Amato.
- C. The Elementary Arts Education Program Application (for K-6) was briefly discussed.

Janet Acosta moved to approve Elementary Arts Education Program application as presented. Stephanie Haan-Amato seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously by roll call vote with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Janet Acosta, Martin Lopez, and Stephanie Haan-Amato.

IV. Closing Items

A. Janet Acosta moved to adjourn at 7:04pm. Martin Lopez seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously by roll call vote with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Janet Acosta, Martin Lopez, and Stephanie Haan-Amato.

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Respectfully Submitted,

J. Acosta

JPTA GC Secretary

Ric Hernandez, GC President