MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

Cloudcroft Municipal Schools District Number 11
September 16th, 2025, 6:00PM
Weed Baptist Church, Weed, NM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	OTHERS MEETING WITH THE BOARD
Lance Wright, President Jeff Eigenmann, Secretary Danny Ward, Member Cassandra Saffle, Member Not present -- Dan Hughes, Vice President	Jocelyne Driscoll-Gillespie, Superintendent Cody Skinner, HS Principal Nolene Adams, ES/MS Principal Lisa Royer, Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER

President Lance Wright called the regular session of the Cloudcroft Board of Education to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Eigenmann made the motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle to approve the agenda. No discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Eigenmann made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve the minutes from the August 19th, 2025, Regular Board Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle to approve the financial reports as provided. No discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
B. Mr. Ward made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle, to approve the Budget Adjustment Requests 048-2526-0014 through 048-2526-0018. No discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

VISITORS

A. One visitor in person, no visitors requesting to address the Board
B. Seven online visitors, no online visitors requesting to address the Board

PRESENTATIONS

A. Teacher recognitions. Ms. Adams addressed the Board to recognize Marion Parker, 3rd grade teacher. Student letters were read, and contributions recognized.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to propose amendments to the CES/CMS/CHS Handbooks. Changes include student water safety information, behavior expectations for Yondr pouches, and EIS guidance regarding AI and internet safety.
B. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present a policy, first and final read, regarding Cloudcroft School nutrition programs regarding procurement procedures and code of conduct.
C. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present a policy, first read, of Policy IJNDB-E; I-6431 – Exhibit: Use of Technology Resources in Instruction; EIS User Agreement. Amendments include user responsibility for damage to equipment, use of AI, and privacy of documents.
D. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present the following Policy Advisories 270, 271, and 272, final reads:
    a. Policy Advisory 270; EGAD- E; 3900 – Copyright Compliance
    b. Policy Advisory 271; IJNDB; I-6400 – Use of Technology Resources in Instruction
    c. Policy Advisory 271; IJNDB-R; I-6411 – Regulation: Use of Technology Resources in Instruction
    d. Policy Advisory 271; IJNDB-R; I-6431—Rejected
    e. Policy Advisory 272; IJNDC; I-6450 – Use of Artificial Intelligence
    f. Policy Advisory 272; IJNDC; I-6450 – Student Use of Artificial Intelligence, CHS Draft. Teachers will follow AI integration model for classroom assignments. Staff will review at least yearly.
    g. Policy Advisory 272; IJNDC; I-6450 – Staff Use of Artificial Intelligence, CHS Draft. Follows previous language on unacceptable use and will be reviewed at least yearly.
E. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present the upcoming GO Bond election on November 4th, 2025. Multiple meetings and events scheduled to share bond information with the community.
F. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board regarding the annual 2025 NMSBA Fall Regional Meeting, Tuesday, October 7, 2025 in Hondo, NM. Attendance and training are required for accreditation.
G. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board regarding CMS teacher Windey McKelvie, who will be traveling to New York for the AP College Forum 2025. Hotel costs will exceed the district's per diem allowance.
H. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board regarding an alternative October Board meeting location. Our October Board meeting will remain at CMS, however, members plan to attend Timberon Water meeting in October.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve the Emergency Policy regarding Cloudcroft School Nutrition Programs: Procurement Procedures and Code of Conduct. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Ms. Saffle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ward, to approve Policy Advisories 270, 271, 272. Mr. Eigenmann asks about redundant language. The motion passed unanimously.
C. Ms. Gillespie requests approval of AP College Forum hotel costs. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle. No further questions or discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
D. Ms. Gillespie requests approval for an alternative Board meeting location. This request is scratched.
E. Approval and acceptance of donations
    a. Mr. Ward made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eigenmann, to approve a donation from Lauren Esparza for school supplies in the amount of $150.00. The motion passed unanimously.
    b. Mr. Eigenmann made a motion, seconded by Ms. Saffle, to approve a donation from Western Bar for Coaches' Club in the amount of $750.00. The motion passed unanimously.
    c. Mr. Ward made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eigenmann, to approve a donation from Cloudcroft Runners for the Culinary program in the amount of $1,000.00. The motion passed unanimously.
    d. Ms. Saffle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eigenmann to approve a donation from Shady Pines for the music program in the amount of $1,200.00. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Principal's Report
    a. Ms. Adams addressed the Board to present Elementary/Middle School September/October announcements, including enrollment and special education numbers, schoolwide PBIS programming (RCA House sorting), successful PTO fundraiser, Amira dyslexia screening in progress, successful discipline practices, positive test results, PLCs and math coaching efforts.
    b. Mr. Skinner addressed the Board to present High School September/October announcements, including Homecoming events, ASVAB testing, Bear Facts night, picture day, evacuation drill, Mountain Top Volleyball tournament, Constitution Day program, fire drill, Gifted field trip, robust dual credit participation, US News and World Reports high rankings for Cloudcroft High School, and recent discipline events.
B. Activity Report
    a. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to share athletics announcements on behalf of the Athletics Director. Mountain Top Volleyball tournament was successful, Football going well, Cross Country, and Cheer are all in progress and going well.
C. Superintendent's Report
    a. Ms. Alm addressed the Board to share updates on social media announcements including staff submissions, event attendance, athletics schedules, and students of the month.
    b. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present district updates. Upcoming events include NMSBA Fall Region VII meeting 10/7/25 in Hondo, (details to follow). Auditors are currently using the Boardroom. Boardroom will be ready for October Regular meeting. Gillespie, Tanner, and Royer will attend CES workshop Ruidoso

9/23/25. Weed Board Meeting will be attended 9/30/25. College Fair 10/3/25. PSAT testing 10/8/25. Senior Picture Day 10/15 at Cloudcroft Lodge.

c. Ms. Gillespie addressed the Board to present federal updates in public education. Martinez-Yazzie status report to courts is due 10/1/25, and final plan forthcoming 11/3/25, so we'll know exactly how decisions will affect CMS at that time. Staff development pipeline in NM is discussed. Marion Parker is recognized for the Summer Youth Program, and Brittney Virden's mentorship program. House Bill 157 license/criteria for teacher and admin certification is discussed, in response to qualified teacher vacancies across New Mexico. CMS is currently fully staffed, no vacancies.
d. Timberon bus route has been restored, following bus repairs.

BOARD MEMBER INPUT

Mr. Ward thanked the Weed Baptist Church for hosting and hospitality. Mr. Eigenmann thanked Superintendent Gillespie and staff for their hard work. Additionally, Mr. Eigenmann shared a potential resolution to present to NMSBA regarding state funding for rural districts. Ms. Gillespie mentions SEG funding. Mr. Wright mentions a potential partnership with Dep. Raul Robles, as well as potential grants for medical services, supplies, etc. Ms. Adams responded regarding Written in Red's commitment to funding Vision and Hearing screenings for CMS. Mr. Skinner mentions student participation in the Otero County Fair this week.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business or discussion before the Board, Mr. Hughes made the motion seconded by Mr. Ward to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Saffle. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wright adjourned the meeting at 8:06pm.

ATTEST______________________________ SIGNED ___________________________

Jeff Eigenmann, Secretary — Lance Wright, President

APPROVED _____________________________

Date