To prepare young people to become lifelong learners in a small school setting, based on high academic standards for all, individual appreciation for each student and teacher, a culture of trust, respect for the diverse traditions of New Mexico, and involvement of family and community.

**Governing Council (GC) Members Present:** Sasha Pellerin, Javier Garcia, Noel Chilton, Rachel McCormick

**GC Members Absent:** Josue Olivares, Michelle Otero

**Others Present:** David Bryant, Adrianne Martínez, Richard Bryant, Julie Radoslovich, Heidi Gomez,

Commenced at 5:20pm.

**Welcome**

- Reviewed draft agenda for present meeting; no changes were made to the agenda.
- Reviewed minutes from the October 2017 GC meeting; Rachel moved to approve with edit to remove motions related to the governing council self-assessment, Sasha seconded, approved unanimously.

**Public Forum (Art department):**

- Challenging for students to take art classes if they are struggling in reading which sets up tough tension and means that students taking AP Art tend to not be struggling with other academics. Looking for creative ways to allow students to keep up with art AND reading/etc. since “kids come to school for electives”.
- Look for ways to put up framed art/panels by students so that student art is at forefront in buildings/outside.
- Needs more funding to enhance art curriculum as funding was cut last year.

**Budget:**

- Heidi Gomez reported that there haven’t been a lot of changes from last month.
- 6 BARS
  - 24016, Entitlement IDEA-B, $6,652 (adjustment based on actual enrollment, vs expected)
  - 24154, Teacher/Principal Training & Recruiting, $1,641 (adjustment)
31200, Public School Capital Outlay, $327,827 (lease assistance, decrease from last year, formula based on square footage used for direct instruction, student enrollment; goes to APS)
27103, Dual Credit Instructional Materials, $1,717 (for textbooks)
29102, Private Dir Grants, $4,500 (MS Science Teacher for technology)
27107, GO Bond Student Library, $4,391 (library materials)

Rachel move to approve all BARS, Javier seconded, approved unanimously.

Other Business:

- **National Board Stipend Review**: Per state statute, SVA needs to fund teachers the full amount of what is received from the state. SVA had inadvertently not been paying full amount for past 3 years. Going to fund full amount. Total unpaid amount across all teachers is $1,747.94. Sasha moved to approve payment, Javier seconded, approved unanimously.
- **Badge Proposal for Safety Plan** – see handout. Javier moved to approve, Rachel seconded, unanimously – noting that we should revisit this issue in 3 months to ensure the policy is being followed.

Reports:

- Principal: see handout.

Adjourned at 6:43.