

**MINUTES**  
**Capitan Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**April 20, 2026**

The Board of Education of the Capitan Municipal School met in Regular Session in Room 101 of the Administration Building and virtually at 6:00 pm.

**I. Introduction**

**A. Call to Order/ Roll Call** – Mr. Greer, Board President, called the session to order at 6:00pm. Roll Call was taken.

1) **Ascertain a Quorum** – Mr. Greer ascertained that there was a quorum with the following members present:

<b>Zeke Greer</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Wes Hacker</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Brett McInnes</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Cynthia Black</b>	<b>Member</b>

**Absent**

<b>Dennis Rich</b>	<b>Vice President</b>
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Staff attending the meeting in person included *J Vance Lee – Superintendent, Jamie Shepperd – Chief Financial Officer, Angela Corliss - Business Support Specialist, Becky Huey – MS/HS Principal, Vicki Beets – Student Support Services Director, Tyson Rush – Teacher/Transportation Director, DuWayne Shaver – Teacher, Michelle Garcia – Teacher, Michelle Stearns - Teacher, and Ivy Wrye – Teacher.*

*Guests attending in person included –Minerva Davalos, Phillip Wall, Eddie Sedillo, Isla Sedillo, Tiffany Menix, Clay Cornelius, April Cornelius, Sophie Jackson Janis Shaver, Gabriela Marquez, Alice Jackson, FFA Members, and the Powerlifting Team.*

Guests and Staff are given the option to view all meetings virtually on the District Facebook and YouTube channel.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance** – Mr. Greer led the pledge to the United States Flag and the official salute to the New Mexico Flag.

**C. Prayer** – Mr. Greer offered a prayer over the meeting.

**D. Approval of Agenda** – Ability to float items within the agenda (Action)

Mr. Lee recommended the approval to float items within the agenda, as presented. A motion to approve the agenda with the ability to float items within, was offered by Mr. Hacker, seconded by Ms. Black. The motion passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**E. Approval of Minutes from the April 9, 2026, Special Board Meeting (Action)**

Mr. Lee recommended the minutes from the April 9, 2026, Special Board Meeting be approved, as presented. A motion to approve was offered by Ms. Black, seconded by Mr. McInnes. The motion passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**F. Approval of Minutes from the April 9, 2026, Regular Board Meeting (Action)**

Mr. Lee recommended the minutes from the April 9, 2026, Regular Board Meeting be approved, as presented. A motion to approve was offered by Mr. Hacker, seconded by Ms. Black. The motion passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**G. Approval of Minutes from the April 16, 2026, Special Board Meeting (Action)**

Mr. Lee recommended the minutes from the April 16, 2026, Special Board Meeting be approved, as presented. A motion to approve was offered by Ms. Black, seconded by Mr. McInnes. The motion passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**II. Presentations/Recognitions**

**A. Tiger Excellence Student Recognition – CHS FFA, Karsten King – Chapter President**

FFA took 9 Teams with 29 students to state judging. The Food Science Team took third place with the third high individual, the Milk Quality Team took fifth place with the fifth high individual, and the Floriculture Team took third place. As part of the Green Hand Quiz, one student received second place, so she will complete at the state convention in May.

**B. Tiger Excellence Student Recognition – CHS Powerlifting**

Capitan Powerlifting Team had one State Champion this year and another student placed seventh this year.

**C. Tiger Excellence Student Recognition - NMSBA Scholarship**

Postponed to May’s Regular Board Meeting.

**D. Tiger Excellence Student Recognition – American Library Poetry Contest**

Two students received awards from the American Library Poetry Contest, and will have their poems published.

**E. Food Service Presentation – SFE, Petra Allen**

Postponed to May’s Regular Board Meeting.

**III. Finance**

**A. Discussion and Possible Action on the following items:**

- 1) \*Cash Balance Report
- 2) \*MTD Expenditures in Check Voucher Report
- 3) \*Payroll Fund Totals
- 4) \*Budget Adjustment Requests
- 5) \*Utility Comparison
- 6) \* Large Donations
- 7) \* Approval of Consent Agenda Items (Action)

Mrs. Shepperd presented the items from the consent agenda. Mr. Lee recommended the consent agenda be approved, as presented. A motion to approve the agenda was offered by Mr. Hacker, seconded by Ms. Black. The motion passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**IV. Public Comment (Limited to 3 minutes per individual or 5 minutes per group and must pertain to posted Board Items)**

None

**V. Board Items**

**A. Old Business**

**1) Discussion regarding CMS Board Policy I-650\_IJOA Field Trips – Second Reading**

This will be brought back for a third reading at the May Regular Board Meeting.

**2) Discussion and approval of amendment to 2025-2026 MOU with the Village of Capitan – School Resource Officer (Discussion/Action)**

Capitan and the Village would like to get an SRO in place for the month of May with the continuation of the MOU that was in place in 2024-2025. The terms would remain the same with the exception of potentially updating the salary for the officer.

A motion to approve the amended 2024-2025 MOU with the Village of Capitan for the SRO, as presented was offered by Ms. Black, seconded by Mr. McInnes, and passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**3) Discussion and approval of the 2025-26 School Calendar Revision (Discussion/Action)**

Mr. Lee proposed a change to the 2024-2025 to use an inclement weather day on May 7, 2026 since we did not use them during the year so far.

A motion to approve the 2025-26 calendar revision, as presented was offered by Mr. Hacker, seconded by Ms. Black, and passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**B. New Business**

**1) Discussion regarding the 2026-2027 MOU with the Village of Capitan – School Resource Officer Agreement (Discussion/Action)**

Postponed to May's Regular Board Meeting.

**2) Discussion and approval of the 2026-2027 Capitan Municipal Schools IDEA-B Application (Discussion/Action)**

Mrs. Beets presented the application for the 2026-2027 school year.

A motion to approve the 2026-2027 Capitan Municipal Schools IDEA-B application, as presented was offered by Mr. Hacker, seconded by Mr. McInnes, and passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**3) Discussion and approval of the 2026-27 Region IX MOU Agreement for Services (Discussion/Action)**

A motion to approve the 2026-27 Region IX agreement for services, as presented was offered by Mr. McInnes, seconded by Mr. Hacker, and passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**4) Discussion and approval of the 2026 Fiscal Audit Contract – Year 3 of 3 (Discussion/Action)**

A motion to approve the 2026 fiscal audit contract, as presented was offered by Ms. Black, seconded by Mr. McInnes, and passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes - YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**5) Discussion and approval of the finalists for the Superintendent position at Capitan Municipal Schools (Discussion/Action)**

The finalists are Jeff Gephart, Heather Gutierrez, and John Sandoval.

A motion to approve the finalists for the Superintendent position was offered by Mr. Hacker, seconded by Ms. Black, and passed with 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**VI. Public Comment (Limited to 3 minutes per individual or 5 minutes per group and must pertain to posted Board Items) No Comments**

**VII. Superintendents Report – Mr. Lee**

**A. Superintendent Search Update**

There will be a community forum on April 27, 2026, a student forum on April 28, 2026, and a special board meeting on April 28, 2026 to do the final interviews.

**B. School Security Systems Update**

All of the cameras have been installed, and the principals have the new software to be able to view the cameras.

**C. Personnel Update –**

**1) Vacancies (2026-27)**

- a) District Math Instructional Coach (1)
- b) Special Education Teacher (1)
- c) Elementary Teacher (2)
- d) Educational Assistant (2)

**D. Enrollment Update**

- 1) CES – 206
- 2) CMS – 101
- 3) CHS - 150

**E. Upcoming Events**

- 1) 4/22 NJHS Induction
- 2) 4/25 Prom @ Alto Country Club
- 3) 5/5 Spring Band/Choir Concert
- 4) 5/11 Senior Dinner
- 5) 5/12 All Sports Banquet
- 6) 5/22 CHS Graduation @ Tiger Stadion 7:00 PM
- 7) 5/25 -28 District Closed – Memorial Week

**VIII. New Agenda Items for Next Meeting – Board Members**

**IX. Adjournment – President Greer**

A motion to adjourn at 7:12 pm was made by Mr. Hacker, and seconded by Ms. Black. The motion passed with a 4-0 voice vote as follows:

**Mr. Greer - Yes Mr. Hacker – Yes Mr. McInnes – YES Ms. Black – Yes**

**APPROVED:**

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**President, Zeke Greer**

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**Secretary, Wes Hacker**