

**MINUTES
CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS
EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING**

May 2, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

5:07 PM, City Hall, Council Chambers, 2250 Las Vegas Boulevard North,
North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030

ROLL CALL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairwoman Johnson
Vice Chairwoman Hirschi
Committee Member Calvo
Committee Member Davis (Via online, Left 5:49 p.m.)
Committee Member Garvin
Committee Member Magallon
Committee Member Pablo-Bazan (Left 6:38 p.m.)
Committee Member Serrano

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Committee Member Ortega
Committee Member Mathis
Committee Member Breier

STAFF PRESENT

Community Services and Engagement Director Serafin Calvo
Senior Deputy City Attorney Jarvis-Denman
City Clerk Rodgers
Deputy City Clerk II Rivera
Deputy City Clerk II McDowell
Deputy City Clerk II Obed

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairwoman Johnson

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Lee, 2250 Las Vegas Blvd N, North Las Vegas welcomed the committee. He stated that he created this committee in order to assist the Clark County School District and its needs. He stated that this committee is very important and he looks forward to what the future holds.

Councilwoman Goynes-Brown, 2250 Las Vegas Blvd N, North Las Vegas stated that she appreciates what this committee will do and that she shares the same vision for education as they do. She stated that this committee will be one that takes action and makes a difference. She also stated that North Las Vegas is a growing city and what she hopes to accomplish is to be the Southern Nevada Fiscal Educational Development Champion.

Councilman Barron, 2250 Las Vegas Blvd N, North Las Vegas wished everyone a happy teacher appreciation week. He stated that he has been an educator for almost 30 years. He is thankful to the committee members who have stepped up to make a difference in the community. He also stated that he is aware that this is a public services and he thanked them for being part of it. He also thanked the committee and staff.

AGENDA

1. For Possible Action to Approve Education Advisory Committee Regular Meeting Agenda of May 2, 2022.

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Committee Member Serrano

SECOND: Vice Chairwoman Hirschi

AYES: Chairwoman Johnson, Vice Chairwoman Hirschi, Davis, Calvo, Garvin, Magallon, Pablo-Bazan, Serrano

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Committee Members Breir, Mathis, Ortega

BUSINESS

2. For Possible Action to Discuss, Review and Adopt Tasks Out of the Tasks that were Submitted by Committee Members to Address Family Engagement.

Committee Member Johnson, instructed the other members to review the presentation document that was provided to them. She stated that the overall consensus was on communication and that she was thrilled that many of the suggestions centered on that subject.

Committee member Hirschi, stated that she visited the Clark County School District website and found that they have a program called Family and Community Engagement Services (FACES). She stated that the program coincides with what the committee is trying to do, and she suggested for the committee to implement the same resources. She stated that the FACES program has 10 family engagement centers. She also mentioned finding feeder schools where they can pilot a school. She also stated that she has a list of the feeder schools.

Committee Member Johnson, stated that there was a suggestion on Lois Craig Elementary School because of their 1 star rating. However, she is uncertain of the feeder school. She mentioned that a way to find the feeder schools is to go onto the CCSD website, locate zoning, and enter an address to find the surrounding feeder schools.

Community Services and Engagement Director Calvo, asked Committee Member Hirschi if she could share the list of feeder schools she currently has. He also stated that at the last special meeting out of all the recommendations, family engagement is what they all agreed on. Committee members submitted their ideas on how to improve family engagement. The second focus was to determine the neediest and feeder schools.

Committee Member Serrano stated that once a school is chosen, they need to find out what resources are available to them so they are not double dipping.

Committee Member Hirschi stated that a reunion, such as a festival at Cheyenne High School, would be a great way to encourage family engagement.

Committee Member Calvo agreed with Hirschi and stated that reaching out to schools to determine the resources that are needed would be a great starting point.

Committee Member Pablo-Bazan, stated that having a student be part of the committee is a great way to understand what is going on in the schools and how to engage students in order to make the committee successful.

Committee Member Serrano stated that a festival with food and vendors would definitely help engage students.

Committee Member Magallon stated that food is definitely a great way to engage students. She stated that during her freshman year, the school had a festival which engaged students and parents. During the festival, many resources were made available to students and parents. She mentioned that project 150, which provides free basic necessities to homeless, displaced, and disadvantaged high school students, is a program she is currently on. This program is available to anyone that needs it.

Community Services and Engagement Director Calvo stated that they are the only municipality that is split by two region superintendents.

Committee Member Johnson answered Ms. Hirschi's question and stated that some schools have substitute plans. However, she is not aware if they have been implemented. The issue is that there are not enough substitute teachers to cover classes when needed.

Committee Member Hirschi stated that covering the cost for badges would bring more substitute teachers in.

Committee Member Serrano stated that by doing that, it would attract recently graduated students to become substitutes. She believes that by doing that, there would be issues that would occur.

Committee Member Calvo stated that bringing in 18 year olds to become substitutes would open up the school to problems.

Committee Members discussed and agreed on adopting the following tasks:

- Voice/Visits
- Connect the Dots – School-Family-Community

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Committee Member Calvo

SECOND: Committee Member Serrano

AYES: Chairwoman Johnson, Vice Chairwoman Hirschi, Davis, Calvo, Garvin, Magallon, Pablo-Bazan, Serrano

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Committee Members Breir, Mathis, Ortega

3. **For Possible Action to Discuss and Create Assignments for the Committee Members Based on the Tasks Adopted.**

Committee Member Serrano stated that based on the adopted tasks they just voted on, the committee will need to make contact with the three schools they previously identified. She stated that they need to ensure that resources are not overlapped.

Committee Member Calvo stated that she would like to see a charter school added to the list. She suggested Civica Nevada Career and Collegiate Academy.

Committee Member Hirschi stated that she will reach out to schools to provide treats and try to gain some knowledge of the issues they are experiencing.

Community Services and Engagement Director Calvo, suggested that the committee assign tasks on how they can address these types' schools without needing to choose one. This will allow the members to do more research and identify what schools they can start piloting.

Committee Member Calvo stated that communication with the schools needs to take place soon since school will be out for the summer break.

Committee Member Ursela stated that if the committee wants to add CIVICA Nevada Career & Collegiate Academy to the list, she has a contact for that school.

Committee Members discussed and assigned the following tasks:

- Establish Visits with schools:
 - Committee Member Pablo-Bazan (Cheyenne High School)
 - Committte Member Hirschi (Lois Craig Elementary School and Marvin M Sedway Middle School)
- Accountability reports review – Committee Members Serrano and Johnson
- Community services that the selected schools currently receive.

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Committee Member Serrano

SECOND: Committee Member Calvo

AYES: Chairwoman Johnson, Vice Chairwoman Hirschi, Davis, Calvo, Garvin, Magallon, Pablo-Bazan, Serrano

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Committee Members Breir, Mathis, Ortega

4. **For Possible Action to Discuss Data Points the Committee Would Like to have Researched Further to Obtain Specific Data for North Las Vegas Schools and Adopt Recommendation to take to Council.**

- Funding: Per Pupil/Jurisdictional Schools/Tax Based Question for Lower Income Areas.
- Inequality in Representation from the School Board for Minority and Low Income Communities.
- Equity in Funding Should CCSD Break Up.
- List of Data Points (Any and All) Showing North Las Vegas Students/ Teachers/ Stakeholders Receive Less or Worse than Others in Southern Nevada and/or Nevada.

Community Services and Engagement Director Calvo stated that it is important to conduct data research that can show how North Las Vegas students could be impacted.

Committee Member Calvo stated that on the State of Nevada website it stated that the schools receive about \$9,300 per student annually and special education students receive a little more.

Committee Member Serrano discussed Clark County School District carryover funds and how it is being used.

Committee members discussed all four points and decided on the following:

- Number of students on grade level
- Budget - Carryover funds
- Number of certified teachers and their curriculum
- Harbor data (effectiveness)
- Inequalities in schools
- Student homelessness

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Committee Member Calvo

SECOND: Committee Member Serrano

AYES: Chairwoman Johnson, Vice Chairwoman Hirschi, Davis, Calvo, Garvin, Magallon, Pablo-Bazan, Serrano

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Committee Members Breir, Mathis, Ortega

5. [For Possible Action to Discuss Important Information that the Clark County School District Regional Superintendent can Relay During the Quarterly Reports to the Mayor and City Council and Adopt Recommendation to take to Council.](#)

Committee member Garvin stated that she would like to see more data points showing how Clark County School District students have grown. She also stated that she would like to see what goals the school district has.

Committee Member Serrano stated that the North Las Vegas schools need to be more transparent.

Community Services and Engagement Director Calvo stated that the information needs to be made available before the second council meeting in June 2022.

Committee Member Calvo agreed with Committee Member Garvin's suggestions.

Committee members discussed important information for the Clark County District School Regional Superintendent to relay to the City Council during their quarterly report.

Committee Recommendations:

- Provide data on low performing schools in North Las Vegas and what their plan is to address their performance.

Vote was amended to include the carryover budget.

ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED

MOTION: Committee Member Calvo

SECOND: Committee Member Hirschi

AYES: Chairwoman Johnson, Vice Chairwoman Hirschi, Davis, Calvo, Garvin, Magallon, Pablo-Bazan, Serrano

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Committee Members Breir, Mathis, Ortega

STAFF ITEMS

Community Services and Engagement Director Calvo thanked the committee for taking the time to participate.

COMMITTEE ITEMS

There were no committee items.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public participation.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.

APPROVED:

/s/ Stephanie Johnson
Stephanie Johnson
Chairwoman

/s/ Daisy Rivera
Daisy Rivera
Deputy City Clerk II