



# J. PAUL TAYLOR ACADEMY

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**J. Paul Taylor Academy Charter School  
Governance Council Special Meeting  
Friday, June 30, 2017 6:00 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 June 30, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. to conduct a special meeting.
  1. Roll was called by Ric Hernandez: Governance Council members Ric Hernandez, Arthur Berkson (via phone), Yvette Turrieta (via phone), and Martin Lopez (via phone) were present. With Stephanie Haan-Amato, Sherry McDowell and Janet Acosta not present at roll call. A quorum was confirmed. Eric Ahner, Executive Director, was also present.
- B. Chairman Ric Hernandez called for any conflict of interest. None was stated by those in attendance.
- C. Chairman Ric Hernandez 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. Martin Lopez moved to approve the agenda for June 30, 2017 Special Meeting. Arthur Berkson seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Arthur Berkson, Yvette Turrieta, and Martin Lopez.

(Stephanie Haan Amato arrived at 6:04 p.m.)

II. Public Input

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

III. Executive Director Support and Evaluation

- A. Stephanie Haan-Amato moved to approve the contract of the Executive Director, previously discussed at the June 23<sup>rd</sup> Special Meeting, with the following corrections:
  - The addition of 2190 Cottage San Rd., Silver City, NM, to section 6.2.
  - The striking of "and." to the end of section 2.2.The motion with amendments was seconded by Yvette Turrieta. The motion was approved following a roll call vote with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Arthur Berkson, Yvette Turrieta, Martin Lopez and Stephanie Haan-Amato.

IV. Finance

Arthur Berkson moved to approve the 2017-2018 Lead Custodian Salary Schedule. Stephanie Haan-Amato seconded. The motion was approved following a roll call vote with

affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Arthur Berkson, Yvette Turrieta, Martin Lopez and Stephanie Haan-Amato.

V. Closing Items

- A. Martin Lopez moved adjourn the June 30, 2017 Special Meeting. Arthur Berkson seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously with affirmative votes from Ric Hernandez, Arthur Berkson, Yvette Turrieta, Martin Lopez, and Stephanie Haan-Amato. Meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Acosta  
JPTA GC Secretary

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Ric Hernandez, GC President