## ALAMOGORDO PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION



Administrative Complex – 1211 Hawaii Ave., Alamogordo, NM

## **MINUTES**

# Regular Board Meeting (Virtual Meeting)

Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 6:00 pm

Upon Roll Call of the Board, the following board present (via GoToWebinar, Virtual Meeting) were:

President Angela M. Cadwallader
Vice-President Ryan Sherwood
Secretary Carol Teweleit
Member Judy Rabon
Member Anthony Torres
Holloman Ex-Officio Col Bryan Callahan

District Staff Members present (via GoToWebinar, Virtual Meeting) were:

Jerrett Perry, Superintendent Lisa Patterson, Executive Assistant Colleen Tagle, Deputy Superintendent Cara Malone, Deputy Superintendent Justin Burks, Chief of Capital Outlay & Facilities Bryan Runyan, K-12 Accounting

Minutes were prepared by Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson.

#### A. Introductions

1. Call to Order

President Cadwallader called this meeting to order at 6:00 p.m

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag of the State of New Mexico
- 3. Adoption of Agenda ACTION

Secretary Teweleit made a motion to adopt the agenda. Member Torres seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Cadwallader voted "aye" Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye" Secretary Teweleit voted "aye" Member Rabon voted "aye" Member Torres – "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes.

#### 4. Welcome and Introduction

#### B. Approval of Minutes - ACTION

1. Consider Approval of Minutes for the October 21, 2020 Virtual Regular Board Meeting and the November 10, 2020 Virtual Executive Session and Virtual Special Board Meeting

Vice-President Sherwood made a motion to approve the minutes. Member Rabon seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Cadwallader voted "aye" Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye" Secretary Teweleit voted "aye" Member Rabon voted "aye" Member Torres – "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes.

## C. Presentations/Recognitions

#### 1. Presentation: Principal Report

Presented by Yucca Elementary School Principal, Catherine Diaz and La Luz/High Rolls Mountain Park Elementary School Principal, Michael Crabtree

Yucca Elementary Principal Diaz and La Luz/HRMP Principal Crabtree highlighted the many great things happening at their schools and answered questions posed by the Board.

Vice-President Sherwood spoke about providing students with desks to help improve their learning environments at home. Vice-President Sherwood will discuss this further with Superintendent Perry and the APS team.

#### D. Public Participation - first session for agenda items only

There was no public participation during the first session.

#### E. Reports

#### 1. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Perry reported as follows:

- Expressed appreciation to the entire APS team (840 champions) for working and helping during this time of crisis and always responding with great passion, all with the purpose to educate kids.
- Expressed excitement and appreciation to the City Commission and Mayor Richard Boss for passing the Land Acquisition Trade for the new Chaparral Middle School site.
- We have 285 students/staff within the district that are dealing with COVID, 26+ students that have tested positive and 15+ staff that have tested positive, 173 that we have had to mitigate through the close contact protocols, and 71 that are still going through the diagnosis process.
- We will continue to evaluate what our next steps are. Our goal is to get students back in school in a safe environment. For the time being, we must continue to expand and focus on our technology capabilities.

#### 2. Departmental Reports

## a. Justin Burks - Chief of Capital Outlay & Facilities

Chief of Capital Outlay & Facilities Justin Burks provided an update on ongoing construction and maintenance projects.

#### **Chaparral Middle School**

- The Land Exchange Agreement has been approved by the City Commission and will be presented to the APS Board for approval at the November 19 Special Board Meeting
- The procurement team and Deputy Superintendent Tagle recently met to discuss the RFP for the design professional. This process is in motion and is currently under review.

#### **Holloman Elementary**

- Pleased to report that the recommendation to award is on this evening's agenda for board approval.
- The RFP committee was interested in getting the best value for the district and selecting the best contractor. The selection committee was extremely impressed with the contractor recommended for the project.
- Two of the largest builders in the state of NM proposed on this project and bid within \$100,000 of each other.
- We can anticipate very minimal change orders on this project and are confident that this project is going to be very successful.
- Following approval of the recommendation to award, NM Public School Facilities Authority will begin the process of MOUs and contract preparations/approvals. The PSCOC Council will need to approve the bids and commit to funding.

#### **Sacramento Elementary Demolition**

- Abatement has begun and is about half way done. Some demolition process has also begun.
- Demolition of the entire building will begin upon completion of abatement.
- Dedication ceremony will take place upon demolition of building; bricks will be salvaged to hand out to interested community members
- A practical survey of the site will take place because of drainage and water runoff concerns.

#### b. Cara Malone - Deputy Superintendent Teaching & Learning

Deputy Superintendent Malone gave the Board an update on the Teaching & Learning Department. Deputy Malone reported on the recent virtual professional development sessions and spoke about the upcoming virtual professional development sessions. The main focus at upcoming sessions will be technology and innovation. We also continue to have internal professional development with the ongoing monthly gold series PD and Navigator's New Teacher PD. Deputy Malone presented the digital usage report as of November 2020 and spoke about the great digital blended programs. There are currently 7,616 chrome books in the district and 620 laptops and we continue to ensure technology is up-to-date. There are currently 4149 devices in the hands of students. T-Mobile and NM PED have awarded our district with 192 hot spots with 100 GB of data. Mrs. Malone shared results of recent teacher surveys and the usage report for Kickboard.

## c. Colleen Tagle - Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Deputy Superintendent Colleen Tagle gave the Board a report on her department and answered questions posed by the Board. Mrs. Tagle expressed her appreciation to Student Nutrition Director Sandra Davis and her team for the successful food distribution event held on Tuesday, 11/17/20, where over 12,300 meals were served. Health Services Director Lisa Patch and her team are incredible and doing an amazing job. Mrs. Tagle expressed her appreciation to APS Nurse, Joanne Gronewold. Ms. Gronewold is working with the Department of Health to become certified to fit test the N-95 masks. This is a critical step in our nurses being able to do the COVID testing on our own in the schools. Mrs. Tagle expressed appreciation to those that put together the background work on the Chaparral Middle School design work. What a showplace Chaparral Middle School will be for the district and entire community!

#### d. Bryan Runyan - K12 Accounting

Mr. Bryan Runyan reported on the Business & Finance Department and answered questions posed by the Board. The audit is complete and the exit audit meeting was recently held. The audit has been submitted to the State Auditor. Mr. Runyan is ultimately pleased with the Audit. Thank you to everyone; this is a team effort and everyone came together as a team during this process. Jaramillo Accounting will present the Audit to the Board after the State has reviewed and approved it.

#### 3. Holloman Ex-Officio Member's Report - Col Bryan Callahan

Col. Callahan spoke about Gen. Webb's recent visit to Holloman Middle School. A Wing Commander conference was recently held to discuss how schools are reporting on military students. Col. Callahan will assist to ensure long term clearances are done in advance for the contractors that will be working at Holloman Elementary.

#### F. Board Discussion

There was no board discussion.

#### **G.** Consent Agenda - ACTION

#### 1. Bids

a. Recommendation of Award for RFP 006-2021 for Construction of Holloman Elementary School

#### 2. Contracts

 Consider approval of contract between Frontline Education and Alamogordo Public Schools and any resulting purchase requisitions.
 Method of Procurement - Frontline Education is a member of Region 19 Allied States Cooperative under contract 17-7247

#### 3. Budget Adjustment Requests

- 1) 046-000-2021-0026-IB Initial Budget 24305 Governor's Emergency Education Relief
- 2) 046-000-2021-0027-IB Initial Budget 24160 Rural & Low Income
- 3) 046-000-2021-0028-D Decrease 24106 IDEA B
- 4) 046-000-2021-0029-I Increase 24109 Preschool IDEA B
- 4. Fundraisers No Fundraisers

#### 5. Charitable Donations

- 1) Albertson's Donation Value \$45 Academy Del Sol
- 2) Joe & Casey Mazure Donation Value \$50 Chaparral Middle School Staff
- 3) Self-Storage of New Mexico Donation Value \$100 Chaparral Middle School Staff
- 4) Anonymous Donation Value \$90 Chaparral Middle School Staff
- 5) Walmart Donation Value \$45 Academy Del Sol Total \$330
- 6. Rural Low Income Schools (RLIS) Assurances and Application
- 7. CARES Act Geer Assurances and Application

Member Rabon recused herself from voting on item 1 a. - Recommendation of Award for RFP 006-2021 for Construction of Holloman Elementary School, due to a potential conflict of interest.

President Cadwallader called for a motion to approve the consent agenda, items 2-7. **Item 1. A.** will be voted on separately.

Vice-President Sherwood made a motion to approve the consent agenda, only items 2-7. Item 1.A will be voted on as a stand-alone item. Secretary Teweleit seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Cadwallader voted "aye" Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye" Secretary Teweleit voted "aye" Member Rabon voted "aye" Member Torres – "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes.

Secretary Teweleit made a motion to approve item 1. A. - Recommendation of Award for RFP 006-2021 for Construction of Holloman Elementary School. President Cadwallader seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Cadwallader voted "aye"

Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye"

Secretary Teweleit voted "aye"

Member Rabon recused herself from voting on this item.

Member Torres - "aye"

All *voting* Board members voted "aye", motion passes.

#### H. Information to the Board

- 1. Accounts Payable Check Listing
- 2. Purchase Order Listing

President Cadwallader stated that the Board has reviewed these reports for the month of October 2020.

#### I. Other Items of Business

## 1. Consider approval of Alamogordo Public Schools 2020-2021 Local Demonstration of Competency for Graduation – ACTION

Deputy Superintendent Malone led the discussion on this item. In order to graduate from high school in NM, students must complete course requirements and demonstrate competency in math, reading, writing, science, and social studies. The Board can also approve various means for a student to graduate with different options under local demonstration of competency.

Member Torres made a motion to approve the Alamogordo Public Schools 2020-2021 Local Demonstration of Competency for Graduation. Vice President Sherwood seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Cadwallader voted "aye" Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye" Secretary Teweleit voted "aye" Member Rabon voted "aye" Member Torres – "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes.

## 2. Consider approval of Resolution No. 2020-2021-3, Supporting Military Families-Purple Star Designation – ACTION

Deputy Superintendent Malone led the discussion on this item. The Purple Star Designation is about designating schools as military friendly and how important it is for military students to be successful. This program was started in Ohio in 2016 to help military families as they PCS from base to base. Deputy Superintendent Malone discussed the importance and requirements for purple star designation.

President Cadwallader made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2021-3, Supporting Military Families – Purple Star Designation. Member Rabon seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Cadwallader voted "aye" Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye" Secretary Teweleit voted "aye" Member Rabon voted "aye" Member Torres – "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes.

## 3. Consider approval of the annual updates to the 2020-2021 District Preventative Maintenance Plan – ACTION

Vice-President Sherwood made a motion to approve the annual updates to the 2020-2021 District Preventive Maintenance Plan. Member Rabon seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Cadwallader voted "aye"

Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye" Secretary Teweleit voted "aye" Member Rabon voted "aye" Member Torres – "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes.

#### J. APS Board Policy Manual

## 1. Walkers and Riders, Board Regulation EEAA-R

Deputy Superintendent Malone discussed this regulation. This regulation does not require board approval. The regulation outlines how and when kids are being transported and ensuring students on IEPs are being transported.

## K. Public Participation - second session for non-agenda items

There was no public participation during the second session.

#### L. Board Members' Advance Planning/Upcoming Events

November 23-27, 2020 - Fall Break/Thanksgiving December 3-5, 2020 - 2020 NMSBA Virtual Annual Convention December 9, 2020 - Virtual Regular Board Meeting December 21, 2020 - January 1, 2021 - Winter Break

A PSCOC virtual meeting is scheduled December 16, 2020 to approve the additional funding for the construction dollars for the Holloman Elementary Project. As a result, a Special Board Meeting will need to be held to sign the contract to accept the funding. It was the consensus of the Board to schedule the Special Board Meeting on December 17, 2020. Vice-President Sherwood suggested a work session be held in conjunction with the Special Board Meeting to discuss goals.

#### M. Adjournment

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Angela M. Cadwallader 12/9/2020 Carol Teweleit 12/9/2020
Board President Date Board Secretary Date