



ALAMOGORDO PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Administrative Complex – 1211 Hawaii Ave., Alamogordo, NM

MINUTES

Board Planning Session

Saturday, July 20, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present: President Timothy C. Wolfe
Secretary Carol Teweleit
Vice-President Angela Cadwallader

Member David Borunda, Member David W. Weaver and Holloman Ex-Officio Col. Rashone Tate were absent.

District Staff Present: Superintendent Jerrett Perry
Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson
Deputy Superintendent Cara Malone
Deputy Director of Support Services/Human Resources Colleen Tagle
Chief of Capital Outlay & Facilities Justin Burks

President Wolfe called the planning session to order at 9:03 a.m.

APS Missions – Jerrett Perry & Cara Malone

Superintendent Perry gave a report on the district wide mission patch, “The Alamogordo Public Schools Galactic Journey,” along with the 8 missions that are tied into specific character components that are necessary for all students to be successful. We will have competitive spirit built in regard to students, classes and schools with rewards given each time an individual achieves the criteria of integrity, character or whatever the characteristic is for that month. The 8 missions are *Optimism, Collaboration, Passion, Perseverance, Curiosity, Responsibility, Resilience, and Integrity.*

Deputy Superintendent Cara Malone spoke of what the district will be doing instructionally for the next school year. The ultimate goal is for our students to be future ready. Everything we do will be research-based. Mrs. Malone went over the five fundamental character traits that will be implemented this coming year. We will do our very best to have high quality specific professional development. The best professional development happens in the classroom. Mrs. Malone also provided a brief update on CTE. The goal is to send students off with “more.”

Holloman Elementary/Sunset Hills Update – Justin Burks

Chief of Capital Outlay & Support Services Justin Burks provided an update on ongoing capital projects and the budgets for these projects. Mr. Burks briefed the Board on the schedule difficulties ongoing at Sunset Hills. The quality of work being produced is good and the contractors are manning the job appropriately; however, they are struggling with maintaining the construction schedule. Several factors have been involved in this with the most recent one being the ordering of the stairway railings. They were not ordered in a timely manner and as a result will now take approximately 10 to 15 weeks to arrive. Correspondence from the architect is forthcoming about our best pathway for dealing with these scheduling delays. Mr. Burks stated the fastest path to getting this project complete and moving into the school is to continue to work with this contractor and to continue to push to get it completed. Mr. Burks

briefly noted that the next PSCOC Meeting will be September 9-10 in Los Lunas. Items of business to be discussed at this meeting will be the application for the Holloman Elementary project, security and some requested word language change for Holloman. Mr. Burks briefly spoke about the facilities master plan stating that security will be a big component in the plan.

Pre-K Plan – Cara Malone

Deputy Superintendent Cara Malone gave the Board an overview of the Alamogordo Public Schools Pre-K Program. The 3-year old developmental Pre-K program will be housed at Yucca (2 classrooms) and Holloman Elementary (1 classroom) and the 4-year old NM Pre K program will be housed at Holloman (2 classrooms), North, i.e. Stepping Stones (11 classrooms) and the PLC will have 7 classrooms. Mrs. Malone went over expectations, goals, literacy practices and current enrollment.

Transportation Update – Colleen Tagle

Deputy of Support Services & Human Resources Colleen Tagle gave the Board an update on transportation stating that the new busses were in route to us and reminded the Board that the district received a special grant from the State to purchase 29 new busses. Busses are being transported from Tulsa, OK and will be in Albuquerque for camera installation and final inspection.

Board Self-Assessment

Board President Wolfe discussed the questions and responses of the Board self-assessment survey. Overall, there was good consensus that the Board is operating effectively. Several questions were skipped by one member throughout the survey, and several questions had outlier negative responses that President Wolfe will seek to understand better. One question elicited a discussion on district policy review processes. President Wolfe stated his concern about the district's policies being maintained properly at the NMSBA Policy Services. Under the previous Superintendent the district was moving towards bringing its policies in-house and leaving the NMSBA Policy Service. President Wolfe requested that the Superintendent review the status of the district's policies to insure all our policies are current with the Policy Service. The Superintendent will report back to the Board on the status of policy review in the next couple of months.

Board of Education Handbook

Board President Wolfe led the discussion on the Board of Education Handbook discussing each section of the handbook. President Wolfe and Superintendent Perry have been working together to draft a new section on Superintendent evaluation. President Wolfe asked the Board to review the handbook and to send their input to him and he will formulate a final draft for approval in August or September.

Strategic Plan Phase I

Superintendent Perry led the discussion on the Strategic Plan. We need to figure out what we want and where we are going. What do we want the district to look like in 5 to 10 years? There was discussion on these specific things.

- CTE Facility
- New High School
- New Administration Building
- Performing Arts Center
- Natatorium
- New Pre-K Facility

President Wolfe stated our ultimate goal is 100% high school graduation rate and to ensure graduates are career and college ready.

GO Bond

Superintendent Perry led the discussion on GO Bond and briefly stated that we are evaluating on how we will get this out to the community and how the district will be promoting and educating the community about the \$17,000,000 bond.

NM Lt Gov Howie Morales surprised the gathering with an appearance for a few minutes. The Superintendent briefed him on the new Galactic Journey to be rolled out for the upcoming school year. Mr. Morales will be the keynote speaker at the Moonshot Monday staff assembly on 5 Aug 2019.

The Board Planning Session concluded at 2:38 p.m.

Timothy C. Wray 8/21/2019
Board President Date

Angela M. Caldwell 8-21-19
Board Secretary Date