



ALAMOGORDO PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Administrative Complex – 1211 Hawaii Ave., Alamogordo, NM

MINUTES

BOARD WORK SESSION

Wednesday, April 19, 2023 – 4:30 p.m.
APS Board Room

Board Members present were: President Judy V. Rabon
Vice-President Amber Ross
Secretary Carol Teweleit
Member Angela M. Cadwallader
Member Amanda Jewell
Holloman Ex-Officio Col. Nicholas Pederson

Student Ex-Officio Savannah Veith was absent from this meeting.

District staff members present: Pam Renteria, Acting Superintendent
Lisa Patterson, Executive Assistant

The work session was called to order at 4:30 p.m. Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson recorded the minutes.

Meeting Objective: Review & Discuss NM Social Studies Curriculum for Alamogordo Public Schools

Dr. Christina Calentine, Director of Curriculum & Instruction provided an overview of the recommendations made by the committee for the social studies adoption to be implemented with the 2023-2024 school year and answered questions posed by the Board. In August 2022, a committee was formed. The committee consisted of two instructional coaches, the CLSD Coordinator, Coordinator of Innovation & Learning Technology, Coordinator of Data and Assessment, and an Assistant Principal. The first meeting was held on September 14, 2022 where committee members reviewed the standards including content and new skills, discussed tasks, and evaluated rubrics. From September 2022 through November 2022, the committee met with all publishers on the NMPED Publishers List regardless of their ranking. A combination of face to face as well as online meetings were conducted throughout the process.

In November of 2022, teachers had the opportunity to go through all of the materials provided to use from the publishers. All publisher materials were on display for teachers to evaluate at the Teaching & Learning Classroom in Building C. Teachers were given several weeks to evaluate the materials. On December 2, 2022 another opportunity was given for a community/teacher walkthrough. Publishers were onsite to answer questions at this walkthrough. All resources remained available for several weeks on-site at Building C. Resources were also available online for those that weren't able to attend the event in person. After review of materials, a form was shared with teachers in December 2022 to provide feedback. Based on feedback received, there is no reason to be concerned.

Publishers issued a letter assuring that no information pertaining to CRT would be found throughout any of their curriculum. A copy of the letter was provided to the Board.

In January, 2023 after several weeks of meeting throughout September to December, the committee voted to recommend Savvas, formerly known as Pearson, for a full K-12 adoption.

Implementation for the 2023-2024 Academic Year

February-June 2023

Preparing for Implementation

- Professional Development Plan for Instructional Staff
- Modification of Lesson Plans and Instructional Units (May 30-June 2)
- Curriculum Work Planned for Summer 2023
- Consider piloting lesson in some classrooms before end of the year
- Continue to evaluate progress for 2023-24 full implementation

The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Joseph V. Rabon 5-17-23
Board President Date

Carol Jewell 5-17-23
Board Secretary Date