



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

MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 26, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Board members present were: President Judy V. Rabon
Vice-President Amber Ross
Secretary Carol Teweleit
Member Angela Cadwallader
Member Amanda Jewell
Holloman Ex-Officio Member Col Alfred Rosales

District Staff Members present were: Pam Renteria, Acting Superintendent
Lisa Patterson, Executive Assistant
Colleen Tagle, Deputy Superintendent
Bryan Runyan, K-12 Accounting

Minutes were prepared by Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson.

A. Introductions

1. Call to Order

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

2. Posting of Colors - By the Alamogordo High School Air Force Junior ROTC

3. Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag of the State of New Mexico

4. Adoption of Agenda - ACTION

Vice-President Ross made a motion to adopt the agenda. Member Jewell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Welcome and Introduction

President Rabon welcomed our new Holloman Ex-Officio Member Col Rosales, Mr. Lance Wright, NMSBA Region VII President who will be presenting the NMSBA Scholarship Award, and our new Student Ex-Officio Member, Olivia Goodier.

B. Approval of Minutes - ACTION

1. Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

- a. June 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting**
- b. June 26, 2023 Executive Session**
- c. June 30, 2023 Executive Session**
- d. July 5, 2023 Special Board Meeting**

Vice-President Ross made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Member Jewell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Presentations/Recognitions

1. Presentation: NMSBA Scholarship Award Presented to Scholarship Award Recipient, Savannah Ross, presented by Region VII President, Lance Wright

Mr. Lance Wright introduced and presented the NMSBA Scholarship Award to Savannah Ross. Savannah is an extremely impressive young lady that has accomplished many amazing things over the last 4 years at Alamogordo High School.

2. Presentation: Summer Camps presented by Carrie Rowe

Mrs. Carrie Rowe, Coordinator of Data & Assessment, gave the Board an overview of the APS Summer Camps and answered questions posed by the Board. There were 13 camps this summer during the months of June and July with over 100 students (Pre-K to 12th grade) participating in the various camps. Mrs. Rowe expressed her sincere appreciation to the amazing team for the amazing work they did to ensure the camps were a huge success.

Acting Superintendent Renteria expressed her appreciation to everyone involved for their time and effort and especially to Carrie Rowe for her enthusiasm and determination for putting all the camps together and ensuring they were a huge success.

D. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

E. Reports

1. Superintendent's Report - Acting Superintendent Pam Renteria

Acting Superintendent Pam Renteria's report began with an update from Deputy Superintendent Colleen Tagle. Deputy Tagle provided an update on the ongoing construction projects and answered questions posed by the Board. Deputy Tagle stated that there will be an area on the APS website that will allow one to track every expenditure linked to the mil levy and the bond money. It will also provide construction progress updates.

Acting Superintendent Renteria welcomed and introduced new and returning administrators in the audience. The New Teacher Academy will take place August 2-3 at MVMS. Teachers will return to their classrooms on August 4. Open House for Elementary is on August 7 at 6 pm, for Middle Schools, it will be August 8 at 6 pm, and for High School, it will be August 9 at 6 pm. Executive Director Lisa Patch provided information about the APS Back to School Block Party being held on Friday, 7/28/2023 from 4 to 7 p.m. Sports physicals, immunizations, vision & hearing screenings and many more things will take place at this fun and exciting free event.

2. Holloman Ex-Officio Member's Report - Col Alfred Rosales

Holloman Ex Officio Col Rosales reported as follows.

- Received a lot of positive feedback and comments from Holloman families about the summer camps.
- Project Search partnership between Holloman and APS will continue this school year. There are currently 3 interns signed up to join the team. Interns work 16 hours a week.

- A Back to School Bash will be held on August 3, 2023 at the Holloman AFB Youth Center. This event is free and open to Holloman families.
- On August 11, a Welcome Back Clap-In will occur at the Holloman Schools to welcome and cheer the staff and students back to school.
- Community Connection Day will be held on September 30, 2023 where Holloman will open their doors and gates up to the local community to allow everyone the opportunity to see what they do.

F. Board Discussion

Member Jewell shared information about her recent trip to Arizona State University and the incredible experience that she and a few others had learning about the Dreamscape Virtual Reality Laboratory.

President Rabon recommended that we continue to advertise and inform the community about the upcoming Block Party especially about the opportunity to get free sports physicals completed at this event. President Rabon encouraged the Board to attend the New Teacher Academy that is taking place on August 2-3 at MVMS. This is a great opportunity to welcome new teachers to our district.

Vice-President Ross expressed her appreciation to everyone involved with the registration process and how smoothly it has been this year, especially with class schedules being available much sooner this year.

President Rabon stated that she had a conflict of interest and recused herself from participating in any portion of the Board's consideration of, discussion about, and vote on items G. 1.A and G. 2. A. 1-9.

President Rabon excused herself from the meeting at this point and turned the meeting over to Vice-President Ross.

G. Consent Agenda - ACTION

1. Award Recommendation

- a. **Consider Approval of Award Recommendation resulting from RFP 008-2023-Contractor-Small Projects-On Call between nine local contracting Companies listed on the Notice of Award and Alamogordo Public Schools and any resulting Purchase Requisitions**

2. Contracts

- a. **Consider Approval of Contracts resulting from RFP 008-2023-Contractor-Small Projects-On Call between nine local contracting companies from the Award Recommendation and Alamogordo Public Schools and any resulting Purchase Requisitions**
 - 1. **Contract 008-2023-C-1, Dunright Painting & Decorating**
 - 2. **Contract 008-2023-C-2, J & L Landscaping LLC**
 - 3. **Contract 008-2023-C-3, J3 Builders**
 - 4. **Contract 008-2023-C-4, Jack Wayte Construction Co., Inc.**
 - 5. **Contract 008-2023-C-5, La Luz Dirt & Paving**
 - 6. **Contract 008-2023-C-6, Mesa Verde Enterprises, Inc.**
 - 7. **Contract 008-2023-C-7, National Construction, Inc.**
 - 8. **Contract 008-2023-C-8, PC Automated Controls, Inc.**
 - 9. **Contract 008-2023-C-9, White Sands Construction, Inc.**

- b. **Contract 02-2324-C between Dell City Independent School District, Texas and Alamogordo Public Schools and any resulting Purchase Requisitions**
- 3. **Budget Adjustment Requests**
 - 1) **BAR 046-000-2324-0001-IB – Initial Budget – 28208 ECED Direct**
- 4. **Charitable Donations**
 - 1) **Big Brothers Big Sisters - \$300 – Yucca Elementary School**
 - 2) **Fraternal Order of Eagles 4101 - \$500 – APS Back to School Event**
 - 3) **Lanes Plumbing - \$1,000 – APS Athletics**
 - 4) **Thomas Kirby - \$1,000 – APS Staff Wellness Program**

Total \$2800
- 5. **Accounts Payable Check Listing**
- 6. **Purchase Order Summary**

For the record, President Rabon was not present to discuss or vote on any of the consent agenda items.

Member Cadwallader posed a question about the nine local contractors asking if more contractors had expressed an interest.

Vice-President Ross posed a question about the Dell City Contract.

President Rabon had a conflict with respect to items G. 1.A and G. 2. A. 1-9. on the consent agenda and recused herself from participating in any portion of discussion and vote on these items.

Member Jewell made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Secretary Teweleit seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

President Rabon returned to the meeting room at this point of the meeting.

H. Information to the Board

1. Financial Reports

President Rabon stated that the Board has reviewed the financial reports for the month of June 2023.

I. Other Items of Business

1. Consideration of and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Sale of General Obligation School Bonds, Establishing Procedures for the Sale and Delivery of The Bonds, and Authorizing Other Matters Related to the Issuance of the Bonds - ACTION

Erik Harrigan, a representative of RBC Capital Markets LLC spoke about this item and answered questions posed by the Board. This is the first series that voters authorized in May, up to 15 million. In this particular series, 5.8 million will be issued. Bonds will sell in September and funds will be available for the district to expend and reimburse itself in mid-October.

President Rabon asked the Recording Secretary to conduct a roll call of board members in attendance.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call for Board Attendance.

President Rabon – present
Vice-President Ross – present
Secretary Teweleit – present
Member Cadwallader – present
Member Jewell – present

Vice-President Ross made a motion to adopt a Resolution Authorizing Sale of General Obligation School Bonds, Establishing Procedures for the Sale and Delivery of the Bonds, and Authorizing Other Matters Related to the Issuance of the Bonds. Member Jewell seconded.

President Rabon asked the Recording Secretary to conduct a roll call vote.

The results of the roll call vote taken by Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson were:

President Rabon voted “aye”
Vice-President Ross voted “aye”
Secretary Teweleit voted “aye”
Member Cadwallader voted “aye”
Member Jewell voted “aye”

All Board members voted “aye”, motion passes, 5-0.

2. Consideration of and Approval of a Resolution Proposing a Capital Improvements Tax Ballot Question and a Public School Buildings Tax Ballot Question – ACTION

Erik Harrigan, RBC Capital Markets LLC, provided an overview of this item highlighting that this is a continuation of the existing mil levies that are in place and there is no tax increase associated with these mil levies.

Vice-President Ross made a motion to adopt a Resolution Proposing a Capital Improvements Tax Ballot Question and a Public School Buildings Tax Ballot Question. Member Jewell seconded.

President Rabon asked the Recording Secretary to conduct a roll call vote.

The results of the roll call vote taken by Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson were:

President Rabon voted “aye”
Vice-President Ross voted “aye”
Secretary Teweleit voted “aye”
Member Cadwallader voted “aye”
Member Jewell voted “aye”

All Board members voted “aye”, motion passes, 5-0.

3. Consideration of and approval of the 2023-2024 IDEA-B Application and Assurances – ACTION

Acting Superintendent Renteria provided an overview of this item and answered questions posed by the Board.

Vice-President Ross made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 IDEA-B Application and Assurances. Member Jewell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- J. Board Members' Advance Planning/Upcoming Events**
July 28, 2023 - APS Back to School Summer Block Party, 4:00-8:00 p.m. - APS HUB
August 2-3, 2023 - New Teacher Academy
August 7, 2023 - Open House for Elementary Schools, 6:00 p.m.
August 8, 2023 - Open House for Middle Schools, 6:00 p.m.
August 9, 2023 - AHS Open House, 6:00 p.m.
August 10, 2023 - First Day of School for KG, 6th & 9th
August 11, 2023 - First Day of School for Pre-K, Grades 1-5, 7-8, 10-12
August 16, 2023 - Regular Board Meeting

K. Convene In Closed Executive Session

- 1. Discussion of the hiring, dismissal, resignation and/or the investigation or consideration of complaints or charges against public employees, Pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 10-15-1 (H)(2)**

Secretary Teweleit made a motion to go into closed Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. to discuss this matter as published on the agenda. Vice-President Ross seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote to close the open session and convene in closed Executive Session.

President Rabon voted "aye"

Vice-President Ross voted "aye"

Secretary Teweleit voted "aye"

Member Cadwallader voted "aye"

Member Jewell voted "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes, 5-0.

L. Reconvene In Open Session

Vice-President Ross made a motion to reconvene in open session at 8:10 p.m. Member Jewell seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote to reconvene in open session.

President Rabon voted "aye"

Vice-President Ross voted "aye"

Secretary Teweleit voted "aye"

Member Cadwallader voted "aye"

Member Jewell voted "aye"

All Board members voted "aye", motion passes, 5-0.

President Rabon stated that NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD DURING THE EXECUTIVE SESSION, AS REQUIRED BY Section 10-15-1(J) of the Open Meeting Act and that MATTERS DISCUSSED WERE LIMITED TO THOSE PUBLISHED ON THE AGENDA.

