



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

MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 13, 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
Student Ex-Officio Member Olivia Goodier

District Staff Members present were: Pam Renteria, 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. Secretary Teweleit seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Welcome and Introduction

B. Approval of Minutes - ACTION

1. November 15, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

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

C. Presentations/Recognitions

1. Presentation: MVMS Presentations

Information was presented from each of the following program. Incredible student projects were showcased and students were recognized for these amazing projects.

- Builders Club Program
- Music Program
- Mountain View Studios (Photography, Graphic Design, Film/Digital Media, Drama & Theatre Technology, and Broadcast Journalism)

- Art Program
- Woodworking
- Library Program

2. Presentation: AHS Robotics Team

A.S.T.R.O. Vikings Robotics Team gave a presentation to the Board and provided a demonstration of their robot. There are currently 59 Pre-K through 12th grade students participating in FIRST Lego League and FIRST Tech Challenge at AHS. 83 % of the students participating in A.S.T.R.O. programs are APS students.

3. Recognition: Tiger Athletes for the Months of October & November

Mr. Alan Edmonson, Athletic Director, briefly spoke about the many great things happening in the APS school district and stated how proud he is to be a part of the APS Team.

These outstanding Tiger Athletes were introduced and honored for the months of October and November.

- Arabella Rosales, Athletics Training
- Wyatt Holt, Tiger Soccer
- Elijah Montoya, Tiger Football
- Mason Pitman, Tiger Football
- Saige Mitchell, Tiger Cheer
- Victoria Schlensig, Tiger Volleyball
- Jack Hallbeck, AHS Tiger Cross Country
- Adelynn Deboef, AHS Tiger Cross Country
- Autumn Bustillos, Tiger Cheer
- Daisha Savoy, Tiger Cheer

Mr. Edmonson provided an update on the first ever Tiger Toy Toss that took place during half time at last night's basketball game. These toys will be donated to kids in the community.

President Rabon was excited to announce that Executive Director Lisa Patch was nominated and received the New Mexico Hero of the Year Award by the State of NM. This is an award that is nominated by the citizens of our community.

Superintendent Renteria was excited to announce that CTE Coordinator Anna Alday, was honored with the President's Award from the Otero County Building Contractors Association.

D. Public Participation

President Rabon read a statement of procedures for public participation.

Public comment was given by the following individuals concerning the following topics.

- Melanie Hallbeck: Thank you to Outgoing Board Members
- Sarah Cerra: Mom of Band Kids
- Michelle Perry: Dreamscape
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E. Reports

1. Superintendent's Report - Pam Renteria

Superintendent Renteria's report began with a report from Executive Director Lisa Patch. Director Patch expressed her profound gratitude to Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center (GCRMC), CASA Auto Group, MTC Prison Facility Center, Corinth Baptist Church, The Worship Center, APS Tiger Athletics, and APS retired volunteers for the overwhelming generosity and unwavering support for children and families in need this holiday season. GCRMC exemplified support by donating \$20,000 benefiting 92 families and 202 children.

Superintendent Renteria provided an update on our CTE program. The Automotive and Welding programs at AHS are reimagining what CTE Education looks like within our district. The CTE Department is looking to add automotive and welding trainers to create a top of the line, consistent program for both students and teachers. The CTE Department aims to provide students with meaningful, hands-on learning experiences with all CTE pathways.

Superintendent Renteria also provided an update on the Learner-Centered Education Professional Development that was held this afternoon at the Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center.

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

On behalf of team Holloman, we wish the happiest of holidays to the School Board and to all APS staff and families.

3. Student Ex-Officio Member's Report - Olivia Goodier

Olivia Goodier congratulated Ms. Sarah Cerra for recently earning her Ph.D. Olivia provided an update on the activities and sporting events occurring throughout the elementary schools, middle schools, and AHS.

F. Board Discussion

- Member Cadwallader expressed concern about the Dreamscape Learn Contract that the Board unanimously approved at the November 15, 2023 Regular Board Meeting and asked if it would be possible to pause the contract until the new board members take office in January.
- Vice-President Ross expressed her deepest appreciation to the outgoing board members and is thankful for the friendship she developed with each of them.
- President Rabon expressed her well wishes to the new board members. President Rabon expressed sincere gratitude to the entire district and the heartfelt efforts put in everyday for the soul purpose of the students.
- Secretary Teweleit expressed her appreciation to NEA Alamogordo for the nice comments they shared earlier in the meeting and for all they do for the employees to ensure they have what they need to succeed.

G. Consent Agenda - ACTION

1. Contracts

2. Budget Adjustment Requests

1) BAR 046-000-2324-0026-M – Maintenance – 27502 – Next Gen CTE

2) BAR 046-000-2324-0027- IB – Initial Budget – 21100 – Universal Free Meals

3) BAR 046-000-2324-0028-I – Increase – 28208 – ECED Direct

- 4) BAR 046-000-2324-0029-I – Increase – 24118 – Fresh Fruit & Vegetables
3. **Charitable Donations**
- 1) Beverly Van Duyn - \$50 – APS Health Services – Tiger Care Center
 - 2) Central Church of Christ - \$750 – APS Health Services
 - 3) Corinth Baptist Church - \$1500 – APS Health Services – Tiger Care Center
 - 4) Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center -\$20,000 – APS Health Services
 - 5) Grace Methodist Church - \$400 – APS Health Services
 - 6) Heather Turnbull - \$100 – APS Health Services
 - 7) Linda Cisneros - \$200 – APS Health Services
 - 8) Louise Elliot -\$603.39 – APS Health Services – Tiger Care Center
 - 9) Margaret Bowles -\$100 – APS Health Services
 - 10) Mary Ann & Salvador Soto -\$200 – Yucca Elementary PBIS to Principal Fund
 - 11) Nancy Ellis -\$300 – AHS Wrestling
 - 12) Nancy Heimark -\$85 – APS Health Services – Tiger Care Center
 - 13) Scenic Chapel -\$1189.67 – APS Health Services – Grief Camp
 - 14) Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories -\$100 – Buena Vista Elementary/Karen Leon
 - 15) Tami Miranda -\$500 – APS Health Services
 - 16) Yelitza Conover - \$115 – Yucca Elementary
- Total \$26,193.06
4. **Accounts Payable Check Listing**
5. **Purchase Order Summary**

Member Cadwallader inquired about the funds used for the Dreamscape Learn Program contract and if the program is solely intended for Chaparral Middle School.

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

H. **Information to the Board**

1. **Financial Reports**

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

I. **Other Items of Business**

1. **Consider approval of Resolution 2023-2024-07, A Resolution Honoring Ray McDowell to Chaparral Middle School Sports Fields**

President Rabon read the resolution.

Vice-President Ross made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-2024-07, a Resolution Honoring Ray McDowell to Chaparral Middle School Sports Fields. Member Jewell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Renteria expressed her deepest gratitude to each of the outgoing board members for their commitment, dedication, and remarkable service to the District. Each member was provided with a beautiful appreciation plaque.

- J. Board Members' Advance Planning/Upcoming Events**
December 14 & 15 - Stepping Stones Winter Holiday Programs throughout the day
December 14 - Yucca Winter Holiday Programs, 1:15 & 2:00 p.m.
December 14 - Buena Vista Winter Holiday Program, 6:00 p.m.
December 14 - HRMP Holiday Winter Program, 5:30 p.m.
December 14 - Sunset Hills Holiday Winter Programs, 9:00-10:00 a.m.
December 15 - MVMS Winter Dance, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
December 15 - Holloman Elementary Winter Holiday Programs, 1:00-2:00 p.m.
December 15 - Desert Star Winter Holiday Programs, 8:00-10:30 a.m.
December 20-January 3 - Winter Break

Sports Schedules

January 20, 2024: Basketball City Round Robin at AHS

AHS

December 19, 21, January 11, 26: Boys Basketball Home Games

December 18-19, 21, January 8, 12, 16: Girls Basketball Home Games

HMS

January 10: Boys Basketball Home Game

December 14, January 11, 16: Girls Basketball Home Games

CMS

December 14, 18, January 15: Boys Basketball Home Games

December 13, January 10, 18, 22: Girls Basketball Home Games

MVMS

January 9, 17, 18: Boys Basketball Home Games

December 18, January 15: Girls Basketball Home Games

Wrestling

December 13 (Ruidoso), 16 (Roswell) - All Away

January 9, 17 - Home

Swimming

December 16 (Carlsbad) - Away

January 13, 20 - Away (Artesia & Albuquerque Academy)

K. Adjournment

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.