



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

**MINUTES**

**Regular Board Meeting  
Wednesday, July 20, 2022, 6:00 pm**

Board members present were: President Judy V. Rabon  
Vice-President Ryan Sherwood  
Secretary Carol Teweleit (attended virtually)  
Member Amber Ross  
Holloman Ex-Officio Col. Nicholas Pederson

Member Angela M. Cadwallader was absent from this July 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

District Staff Members present were:  
Dr. Ken Moore, Superintendent  
Lisa Patterson, Executive Assistant  
Colleen Tagle, Deputy Superintendent  
Pamela Renteria, Deputy Superintendent

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

**3. Adoption of Agenda - ACTION**

Member Ross made a motion to adopt the agenda. Vice-President Sherwood seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Rabon voted “aye”

Vice-President Sherwood voted “aye”

Secretary Teweleit voted “aye”

Member Ross voted “aye”

Board members present voted aye, motion passes 4-0.

**4. Welcome and Introduction**

**B. Approval of Minutes - ACTION**

**1. Consider approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

**a. June 23, 2022 Regular Board Meeting**

**b. June 24, 2022 Special Board Meeting**

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

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Rabon voted “aye”

Vice-President Sherwood voted “aye”

Secretary Teweleit voted “aye”

Member Ross voted “aye”

Board members present voted aye, motion passes 4-0.

**B. Presentations/Recognitions**

Superintendent Moore announced that Jamie Atkinson was recently awarded the NM Music Educators Association 2022 John Batcheller Award for excellence in teaching music in elementary schools. Hailey Witzel with the Ed Rising team placed 7<sup>th</sup> nationally in impromptu speaking at a recent competition in Washington DC. Superintendent Moore announced and introduced the new and returning district leadership team. APS has won a NMPED Innovation Zone Designation & Grant, a grant designed to transform and align our high school Career & Tech Education program. We are one of 12 districts statewide to receive this grant.

**C. Public Participation**

There was no public participation at this July 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

**E. Reports**

**1. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Ken Moore**

Superintendent Dr. Ken Moore reported as follows:

- HM 43 Task Force will be meeting in the Boardroom on July 26, 2022. This task force includes committee members and department personnel; mental health care providers; school teachers, counselors and administrators; school union representatives; community groups; and other interested persons to develop a comprehensive plan to enhance student learning and student welfare by providing mental wellness spaces in middle schools and high schools as a strategy for addressing and supporting the mental health of public middle school and high school students
- The Legislative Education Study Committee will meet July 27-29, at NMSU-A Tays Center
- Beginning immediately, the New Mexico Public Education Department is no longer requiring schools to report staff surveillance testing data through the New Mexico Department of Health Provider Portal. Schools will continue reporting COVID infections and testing numbers to the New Mexico Department of Health Provider Portal in the 2022-23 school year. We continue to advocate for eliminating surveillance testing completely.
- Our Strategic Planning Needs assessment is complete
- Three priorities include Student/Staff Well-Being, Positive Relationships that support learning Communications with parents/community, and Excellence in Instruction, Academics, & Career/College Readiness
- The strategic goals will be presented to the Board at the August Board Meeting.
- Students in the Early College Academy will not be at NMSU-A all day; they will be shuttled there as needed; this will allow them to continue electives, band, etc.
- NMSU-A/AHS co-location concept is still in the conceptual stages
- AHS will continue at current location at least 3-5 years



- Open House dates are: Elementary-August 8, Middle School-August 9, and High School-August 10
- 85% of returning students have registered; total of 4,363 registered so far
  - 3,837 returning
  - 526 new
- 7.20.22 Job Fair was a success
- An educator recruiting event is planned on July 28
- We have less than 5% vacancies
- Holloman Elementary
  - Total project is 78% complete
  - Wing c and d are 100%
  - Site work, concrete, curbs, playground and parking lot grading is in process
  - Tile work is 90%.
  - Interior painting complete.
  - Plumbing and electrical fixtures are 90%.
  - Roof is 70%.
  - Substantial completion date slipped another week due to roofing material issues and base access problems to Sept 26.
- CMS
  - PSCOC approved Max Allowable Construction Cost increase from \$27M to \$37M on Monday, 18 July; this allows us to move to construction documentation & bid process
- HMS
  - OLDCC finalizing grant memo and the invitation letter
  - Mr. David Kennedy, who is the Program Activity Lead for PSMI (replacing Sig), is reviewing the documents
- The special capital outlay projects funds have been received for the Soccer Steinhoff; coaches have requested that we wait until after the season to begin this project
- Will be going out for RFP in the next few weeks for the Sacramento site

**2. Holloman Ex-Officio Member's Report - Col Nicholas Pederson**

Col Nicholas Pederson reported that a walk-through of the Holloman schools is planned for August 3. A back to school event will occur later that week. On August 12, base leadership will be at the Holloman schools to welcome all students back to school. Col Pederson suggested another listening session be held for Holloman families during the first month of school. Col Pederson expressed appreciation to the district for publishing the out of zone decisions by the end of the month and for also looking at the start/end times for Holloman schools.

**F. Board Discussion**

Vice-President Sherwood extended a welcome to all principals in attendance and encouraged them to continue attending board meetings to gain knowledge of the information/data being shared at these meetings.

Superintendent Moore briefly stated that our board meetings are now being live streamed on YouTube. Superintendent Moore also stated that a community listening meeting for Holloman and Alamogordo will be scheduled in August.

President Rabon shared updates/information from the NMSBA Leadership Institute that she recently attended in Taos.

**G. Consent Agenda - ACTION**

**1. Contracts**

**a. Contract 009-2022-C between Southwest Hazard Control and Alamogordo Public Schools and any resulting purchase requisitions**

**2. Budget Adjustment Requests – No Budget Adjustment Requests for July 2022**

**3. Fundraisers - As submitted.**

**4. Charitable Donations**

**1) Albertsons – New Teacher Academy - \$100**

**5. Accounts Payable Check Listing**

**6. Purchase Order Listing**

President Rabon provided clarification on Contact 009-2022-C, Southwest Hazard Control. The service to be performed is a partnership with PSFA, setting up for the demolition after moving to the new school. No work is being done prior to the move.

No members had a conflict with respect to any of the items on the consent agenda.

Member Ross made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Secretary Teweleit seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Rabon voted “aye”

Vice-President Sherwood voted “aye”

Secretary Teweleit voted “aye”

Member Ross voted “aye”

Board members present voted aye, motion passes 4-0.

**H. Information to the Board**

**1. Financial Reports**

President Rabon stated that the Board has reviewed the financial reports for the month of June 2022.

**I. Other Items of Business**

**1. Consider approval of Alamogordo Public Schools Superintendent's Employment Contract - ACTION**

President Rabon stated this motion will offer a 2 year extension on Superintendent Moore's contract with the compensation discussed in Executive Session.

Member Ross made a motion to approve the Alamogordo Public Schools Superintendent's Employment Contract. Vice-President Sherwood and Secretary Teweleit seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Rabon voted “aye”

Vice-President Sherwood voted “aye”

Secretary Teweleit voted “aye”

Member Ross voted “aye”

Board members present voted aye, motion passes 4-0.



Superintendent Moore expressed his appreciation to the Board and respectfully and gratefully accepted the contract being offered to him.

**J. APS Board Policy Manual**

**1. NMSBA Policy Advisories 230-232:**

**GBA - Equal Employment Opportunity  
GCIA - Teacher Residency Program  
GE - Retiree Return to Work**

Member Ross made a motion to approve NMSBA Policy Advisories 230-232 on first reading. Vice-President Sherwood seconded.

Executive Assistant Lisa Patterson conducted a roll call vote.

President Rabon voted "aye"  
Vice-President Sherwood voted "aye"  
Secretary Teweleit voted "aye"  
Member Ross voted "aye"

Board members present voted aye, motion passes 4-0.

**K. Board Members' Advance Planning/Upcoming Events**

**July 20, 2022 - APS Career Fair, 1:30-5:00 p.m. - APS HUB  
July 27-29, 2022 - Legislative Education Study Committee Meeting  
July 29, 2022 - APS Back to School Summer Block Party, 4:00-8:00 p.m. - APS HUB  
August 3-4, 2022 - New Teacher Academy  
August 11, 2022 - First Day of School for KG, 6th & 9th  
August 12, 2022 - First Day of School for Pre-K, Grades 1-5, 7-8, 10-12  
August 17, 2022 - Regular Board Meeting**

Deputy Superintendent Tagle provided information about the APS Back to School Summer Block Party, a vision brought to life by Executive Health Services Director, Lisa Patch. The block party is free and open to the community. There will be 16 food trucks on site. Free athletic physicals will be given. Hearing screenings, vaccinations, and COVID testing will also be available. There will be games, music, and a movie night. Thank you to our community partners that are helping to make this possible!

Superintendent Moore stated that Director Patch has done all this with grant funding specifically awarded for these purposes. No APS funding was used.

**L. Adjournment**

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Juday V. Rabon 8-17-22  
Board President Date

Carol Teweleit 8-17-22  
Board Secretary Date