

Public Education Commission Meeting

August 22-23, 2019

Jerry Apodaca Education Building
Mabry Hall
300 Don Gaspar Avenue
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Summary Minutes

<p>Members Present- Patricia Gipson, Chair Trish Ruiz, Vice Chair Karyl Ann Armbruster, Secretary Tim Crone R. Carlos Caballero (arrived at 9:10 am) David Robbins Michael Chavez (arrived at 9:28 am) Glenna Voigt M. Sonia Raftery Georgina Davis</p> <p>Meeting began at 9:06 a.m.</p>	<p>Members Absent</p>
<p>Agenda Item 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & SALUTE TO NEW MEXICO FLAG</p>	<p>Karyl Ann Armbruster, Secretary called the roll and confirmed a quorum.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA</p>	<p>Patricia Gipson made the following comments regarding the agenda: So before we do the approval of the agenda, I have two changes to make. And one is to the Consent Agenda. And that is removing from the Consent Agenda Albuquerque Institute of Math and Science and removing Raíces del Saber Xinachtli Community School. It's under "Governing Membership" -- the Albuquerque Institute of Math and Science is under B, change Notifications, Governing Board Membership Changes. And Raíces del Saber is No. 7 under School Location Within District. So those two were removed; and, off of the regular agenda in Item No. 7-C, removing McCurdy Charter School and Monte del Sol Charter School.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Patricia Gipson made the following motion: So that I am going to move that the transcript for the July 17th, 2019, PEC meeting be amended to show that the location of the PEC meeting was New Mexico Activities Association, Hall of Honor, 6600 Palomas, Northeast, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109. Glenna Voigt seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Indicated all in favor None opposed</p>
<p>Agenda Item 3. OPEN FORUM</p>	<p>No public comment during the Open Forum.</p>

Agenda Item 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of PEC Minutes and Transcripts
 - 1. Approval of Polaris Charter School Transcript July 16, 2019
 - 2. Approval of the ACES Charter School Transcript July 17, 2019
 - 3. Approval of Transcript for July 17, 2019 PEC Meeting
 - 4. Approval of Summary Minutes for July 17, 2019 PEC Meeting
 - 5. Approval of the Explore Charter School Transcript July 19, 2019
- B. Change Notification
 - 1. Governing Board Membership Changes
 - Albuquerque Bilingual Academy (La Promesa Early Learning Center)
 - ~~Albuquerque Institute for Mathematics and Science (AIMS)~~
 - Cesar Chavez Community School
 - Explore Academy
 - The GREAT Academy
 - J Paul Taylor Academy
 - La Tierra Montessori School
 - The MASTERS Program
 - McCurdy Charter School
 - Monte del Sol Charter School
 - North Valley Academy
 - Red River Valley Charter School
 - Roots and Wings Community School
 - Solare Collegiate Charter School
 - South Valley Preparatory School
 - Southwest Secondary Learning Center
 - 2. Governing Board ByLaws
 - Southwest Secondary Learning Center

MOTION

Trish Ruiz moved to approve the agenda.
Glenna Voigt seconded the motion.

**Indicated all in favor
None opposed**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Lease Terms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roots and Wings Community School 4. Head Administrator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Albuquerque School of Excellence • Estancia Valley Classical Academy • McCurdy Charter School • Six Directions Indigenous School 5. Business Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alma d’Arte Charter School • Altura Preparatory Charter School • Cesar Chavez Community School • La Tierra Montessori School • School of Dreams Academy (SODA) 6. CPO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Altura Preparatory Charter School 7. School Location Within District <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raices del Saber Xinachtli Community School 	
<p>Agenda Item 5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CHARTER CONTRACTS AND PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORKS, INCLUDING MISSION GOALS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Albuquerque School of Excellence, 2019-2020 B. South Valley Preparatory School, 2019-2020 	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Trish Ruiz made the following motion: So I move that the Public Education Commission approve the charter contract and performance framework, including mission goals, for the Albuquerque School of Excellence. David Robbins seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 9-0</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Carlos Caballero made the following motion: I move that the Public Education Commission approve the charter contract and performance framework, including mission goals, for South Valley Preparatory School. For school years 2019-2020. David Robbins seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 9-0</p>

Agenda Item 6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OR DENIAL OF NEW CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

A. Polaris Charter School, Los Alamos grades 6-8)

- i. Public Input/Comments
- ii. Charter School Division recommendations
- iii. Applicant Comments
- iv. PEC Questions/Comments to Applicant and CSD
- v. Closed Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978 §10-15-1(H)(1) pertaining to issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of Polaris Charter School application
- vi. Determination Vote

MOTION

Patricia Gipson made the following motion:
I move that the Public Education Commission enter into a Closed Session. The subjects to be discussed are issues pertaining to issuance, suspension, renewal, or revocation of a charter license application, pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1(H)(1), is specifically approval, approval with conditions, or denial of the Polaris Charter School application.

Trish Ruiz seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously 10-0

MOTION

Patricia Gipson made the following motion:
I move that the Public Education Commission end Closed Session. The matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the Motion for Closure, and no vote was taken during the Closed Session.

Trish Ruiz seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously 10-0

MOTION

David Robbins made the following motion:
I move that the Public Education Commission approve the application of Polaris Charter School with the following condition: That a facility be identified by December 31st, 2019, with at least an MOU or stronger commitment in place.

Georgina Davis seconded the motion.

Motion failed 4-6

(voted no: Chavez, Gipson, Voigt, Raftery, Crone, Ruiz)

MOTION

Trish Ruiz made the following motion:
Madam Chair, I move that the Public Education [verbatim] deny the application for Polaris Charter School for the following reasons: The application is incomplete or inadequate. The application does not offer an educational program consistent with the requirements and purposes of the Charter Schools Act. The application is contrary to the best interest of the Charter School's projected students, local community, or local school district, and that the application needs a clear plan for a facility.

Tim Crone seconded the motion.

Motion passed 7-3

(voted no: Robbins, Armbruster, Caballero)

<p>B. ACES Technical Charter School, Albuquerque (grades 6-12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Public Input/Comments ii. Charter School Division Recommendations iii. Applicant Comments iv. PEC Questions/Comments to Applicant and CSD v. Closed Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978 §10-15-1(H)(1) pertaining to issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of ACES Technical Charter School application vi. Determination Vote 	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Patricia Gipson made the following motion: I move that the Public Education Commission enter into a Closed Session. The subjects to be discussed are issues pertaining to issuance, suspension, renewal, or revocation of a charter license application, pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section D-15-1(H)(1), specifically approval, approval with conditions, or denial of ACES Technical Charter School application.</p> <p>Trish Ruiz seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion passed unanimously 10-0</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Patricia Gipson made the following motion: I move that the Public Education Commission end Closed Session. The matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the Motion for Closure, and no vote was taken during the Closed Session.</p> <p>Trish Ruiz seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion passed unanimously 10-0</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Glenna Voigt made the following motion: Madam Chair, I move that the Public Education Commission approve the application for ACES Technical Charter School.</p> <p>Carlos Caballero seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion passed unanimously 10-0</p>
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<p>C. Explore Charter School – Las Cruces (grades 6-12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Public Input/Comments ii. Charter School Division Recommendations iii. Applicant Comments iv. PEC Questions/Comments to Applicant and CSD v. Closed Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978 §10-15-1(H)(1) pertaining to issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of Explore Charter School application vi. Determination Vote <p>Recess called until 9:00 am Friday, August 23, 2019</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Patricia Gipson made the following motion: I'm going to move that the Public Education Commission enter into a Closed Session. The subjects to be discussed are issues pertaining to issuance, suspension, renewal, or revocation of a charter license application, pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1(H)(1), specifically approval, approval with conditions, or denial of Explore Charter School application. Trish Ruiz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 10-0</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Patricia Gipson made the following motion: So I move that the Public Education Commission come out of Closed Session. The matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure -- excuse me -- and no vote was taken during the Closed Session. Trish Ruiz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 10-0</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Trish Ruiz made the following motion: I move that the Public Education deny the application for Explore Charter School for the following -- the Public Education Commission -- I'm sorry -- deny the application for Explore Charter School for the following reasons: The application does not offer an educational program consistent with the requirements and purposes of the Charter Schools Act. The application is contrary to the best interests of the Charter School's projected students, local community, or local school district. And the application does not offer a clear plan for facilities. Tim Crone seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-3 Voted no: Voigt, Armbruster, Robbins</p>
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<p>Reconvene at 9:02 am on Friday, August 23, 2019</p> <p>Agenda Item 7. REPORT FROM OPTIONS FOR PARENTS & THE CHARTER SCHOOL DIVISION—DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Charter School Division Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. CSD Leadership ii. CSD Staffing iii. Other B. Report on Pre-Opening Site Visit for new schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Raices del Saber Xinachtli Community School ii. Solare collegiate Charter School C. Governing Board Concerns (if submission is not complete by meeting date) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Albuquerque Institute of Mathematics and Science (AIMS) ii. McCurdy Charter School iii. Monte del Sol Charter School iv. Raices del Saber Xinachtli Community School D. Highlights and Appreciations 	<p>Recorded comments are available in full transcript.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REVISIONS TO PRE-2019 ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORKS TO ALIGN WITH THE NEW STATE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY AND SUPPORT SYSTEM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Glenna Voigt made the following motion: I'd like to move to have the Public Education Commission adopt the changes to the academic performance frameworks for charter schools under contract in effect before 2018 or 2019, to align with the changes in the School Accountability and Support System. Sonia Raftery seconded the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion passed unanimously 10-0</p>
<p>Agenda Item 9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATED TO ALTURA PREPATORY SCHOOL'S MOVE OUTSIDE OF AREA SERVED AS IDENTIFIED IN APPLICATION</p>	<p>Recorded comments are available in full transcript.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION AND THE RESPONSE BY THE SCHOOL TO THE PEC NOTICE OF BREACH ON ALMA D'ARTE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MOTION</p> <p>Patricia Gipson made the following motion: I move that the Public Education Commission take into consideration the response to the Notice of Breach by</p>

	<p>Alma d'Arte and extend the Notice of Breach until our November meeting. At that time, the school will provide information verifying that IEP reviews, IEP meetings have taken place and that the goals in the IEPs are being implemented, and that they have documentation of governance council training having taken place.</p> <p>Trish Ruiz and Carlos Caballero seconded the motion.</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously 10-0</p>
<p>Agenda Item 11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION/PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (PEC/PED MOU)</p>	<p>Recorded comments are available in full transcript.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE REVISED PEC BUDGET FOR 2020</p>	<p>MOTION</p> <p>David Robbins made the following motion: So I would like to move that we approve the adopted -- or the revised budget ---- for Fiscal Year 2020.</p> <p>Trish Ruiz seconded.</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously 9-0 Caballero no longer present</p>
<p>Agenda Item 13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DETAILS OF THE PEC MEETING IN DECEMBER</p>	<p>MOTION</p> <p>Patricia Gipson made the following motion: So I am going to move that the Public Education Commission amend their calendar for December to indicate that we will be meeting from December 9th through December 13th.</p> <p>Georgina Davis seconded the motion.</p> <p>Indicated all in favor None opposed</p>
<p>Agenda Item 14. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR</p>	<p>Recorded comments are available in full transcript.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 15. PEC COMMENTS</p>	<p>Recorded comments are available in full transcript.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 16. Adjourn</p> <p>Proceedings concluded at 12:59 pm</p>	<p>MOTION</p> <p>Trish Ruiz moves to adjourn. David Robbins Seconded.</p>