NEW MEXICO PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION

Summary Minutes for PEC Work Session on Thursday, August 18, 2022 at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345

Link to Recording of Meeting: https://youtu.be/srP4gfDeAI0 part one

https://youtu.be/R6KEbLxoN6w part two

Link to PEC Meeting Materials on PEC Website: https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/public-education-commission-meeting-information/

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rebekka Burt began the PEC Work Session at 9:10 a.m. for a hybrid PEC Work Session

Commissioners in Attendance in Person in Ruidoso Convention Center

Commissioner Rebekka Burt, PEC Chair, District 4, Rio Rancho

Commissioner Glenna Voigt, District 3, Albuquerque

Commissioner Melissa Armijo, District 1, Albuquerque

Commissioner Patricia Gipson, District 7, Las Cruces

Commissioner Michael Taylor, District 8, Roswell

Commissioner Steven J. Carrillo, District 10, Santa Fe

Commissioners in Attendance on ZOOM Webinar

Commissioner David Robbins, District 2, Albuquerque Commissioner KT Manis, District 9, Hobbs

Commissioners not in Attendance

Commissioner Georgina Davis, District 5, Aztec Commissioner Michael Chavez, District 6, Deming

Also Present:

Julia Barnes, PEC Attorney
Corina Chavez, Director of PED Charter School Division
Brigette Russell, Charter School Deputy Director
Melissa (Missy) Brown, Charter School Division
Felicia Gonzales, Charter School Division
Louie Torres, Charter School Division
Samantha Samoiel, Charter School Division

Members of the Public in person and on Zoom are listed on the attendance document.

PEC Work Session Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

PEC Chair Rebekka Burt called the PEC Work Session to Order at 9:05 a.m. Technical difficulties with the sound delayed the beginning of the meeting. The meeting began at 9:20 a.m.

2. Spotlight (9:00 - 10:00): Restorative Justice

Shawn Morris, Robert F. Kennedy Charter School and Tonya Covington, City of Albuquerque, discussed Restorative Justice with the PEC. Mr. Morris discussed the program at Robert F. Kennedy Charter School in Albuquerque. He began his discussion talking about Connection Circles and how they are used in the school with staff and students. Ms. Covington began her presentation asking the PEC to watch a video on Restorative Justice in Spokane Schools, because the technical issues prevented her showing the video. Her recommendation/suggestion in relation to Restorative Justice to the PEC were: Rethink having cops in schools; each school district should have one discipline plan, not each school having their own discipline plan; and to mandate Restorative Justice in all schools instead of thoughts and prayers following violence in schools. Commissioners actively discussed the issues. Ms. Covington mentioned that there are grants available to implement Restorative Justice in schools, but on one has applied for them.

3. Update and input on Performance Framework

Commissioner Voigt gave an update on the Performance Framework. The group which meets on a weekly basis is looking more closely at the measures that the PEC uses to monitor charter school. Commissioners were asked to comment on the proposed edits and spent an extended time reviewing the document item by item.

4. Introduction to Form Project Group 3: Contract and Intervention Ladder

PEC Attorney Julia Barnes began the discussion regarding the Contract and Intervention Ladder. Attorneys, Charter School Administrators, Matt Pahl, and school representatives were contacted to make comments on the draft document. Final draft will be brought back to the PEC for review and approval at a future meeting.

5. Continuing Review of Forms Project Groups 1 and 2: Implementation Year Checklist and Amendment forms

Deputy Director Brigette Russell discussed edits to the Implementation Year Checklist and Amendment forms.

6. Mabry Hall Update

Director Corina Chavez introduced Mr. Downing from IT Connect. The Commissioners were shown photos of the proposed Mabry Hall renovation.

7. 2023 Calendar

Commissioners reviewed and discussed the draft calendar for 2023 PEC meetings.

8. MOU review and possible reformatting

Director Chavez said that the discussion of the MOU for the next Work Session.

9. Subcommittee Updates

a. Virtual Schools

Commissioner Gipson discussed information from this subcommittee.

She thanked Samantha Samoiel, CSD staff, for her work with the group.

The subcommittee is gathering information and they will discuss at the next meeting.

b. Performance Framework Project Team (Discussed earlier)

c. Foundations (currently paused)

d. Budget

Louie Torres presented the PEC budget to the Commissioners for their input. The budget will be voted on at the PEC meeting tomorrow.

ADJOURN

Chair Burt adjourned the meeting at 5:06 p.m. No votes were taken by Commissioners on items during this work session. Submitted by Beverly Friedman, PED Liaison to the PEC August 18, 2022