

## Public Education Commission Work Session

October 19, 2023

Open Public Meeting via Zoom Webinar and in person at  
the Jerry Apodaca Education Building, 300 Don Gaspar Ave., Santa Fe, NM 87501

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Chair Alan Brauer called the work session to order at [9:05am]

### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

#### Commissioners in attendance in person:

Commissioner Alan Brauer, Chair, District 2, Albuquerque  
Commissioner Rebekka Burt, Vice-chair, District 4, Rio Rancho  
Commissioner Stewart Ingham, District 6, Deming  
Commissioner Patricia Gipson, District 7, Las Cruces  
Commissioner Steven J. Carrillo, District 10, Santa Fe

#### Commissioners in attendance by Zoom:

Commissioner Timothy Beck, District 3, Albuquerque

#### Commissioners not in attendance:

Commissioner Sharon Clahchischilliage, District 5, Aztec  
Commissioner Michael Taylor, District 8, Roswell  
Commissioner K.T. Manis, District 9, Hobbs

#### Also Present:

Julia Barnes, PEC Attorney  
Corina Chavez, Charter School Division (CSD) Director  
Dr. Brigette Russell, CSD Deputy Director  
Sharyn Perrea, PEC Liaison, CSD  
Melissa "Missy" Brown, CSD  
Bianca Olona-Elwell, CSD

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

Wayne Sherwood, Public Charter Schools of New Mexico (PCSNM)

### 2. Discussion on Lottery and Enrollment

Director Chavez discussed investment and research into a universal lottery system. Commissioner Alan Brauer discussed moving schools to a universal lottery and creation of a subcommittee. Commissioner Timothy Beck is interested in the subcommittee and is fine with APS being included in the process. Commissioner Rebekka Burt mentioned to take into consideration of what is best for families and constituents the lottery serves. Commission Patricia Gipson advised, APS should have investment especially if there is an expense. Wayne Sherwood from the Public Charter Schools of NM (PCSNM) mentioned, the development and implementation could be a year-long process and the development would

allow lottery access for all students. Commissioner Beck said the central lottery would give families and parents have an opportunity to access charters across Albuquerque. Consensus to create a subcommittee.

### **3. Discussion on Performance Framework documents**

#### **a. Performance Framework**

Commissioner Gipson discussed the final draft of the performance framework specifically Page 6, creating four tiers for evaluation. Commissioner Carrillo agrees with implementation of tiers for transparency. Tier systems specify on track to renewal with condition or possibly non-renewal, which allow schools to have a clear vision of expectations prior to renewal.

#### **b. Business Rules**

Commissioner Gibson reviewed Business Rules, page 5 and Page 6. PEC Attorney Julia Barnes, mentioned consistency in verbiage across Performance Framework and Business Rules. There was an update to 3.B and 3.C. Commissioner Gipson and Commissioner Carrillo said the language should ensure the schools are aware the only changes to the Performance Framework will be by Federal and State Laws, regulatory changes over which PEC has no control. CSD will only update the list of compliance requirements as required by PED, PEC or State and Federal law. Commissioners discussed Page 10. Commissioner Gipson asked for the timeline of reports for financial and data reporting.

### **4. Discussion regarding Obtaining Data for Scoring the Performance Framework**

#### **a. Status of CSD data requests to Research, Evaluation, and Accountability (REA)**

Director Chavez informed about Vista Data embargo and assisting schools with access to SOAP. Data is required to be posted by November 16th. No information received from REA. Update on CSD Data position, it was reclassified to ensure there is someone in CSD who can assist with compiling data.

#### **b. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on data sharing between PED REA and PEC**

Dr. Russell has requested disaggregated data and time to review. Commissioner Burt discussed reviewing the current MOU and questioned why there is a need for a separate MOU for data sharing. Discussion by Commissioner Stewart Ingham, Commissioner Carrillo, Commissioner Gipson, Commissioner Burt, and Ms. Barnes regarding the system in which data is produced and the delay in process getting to schools and the PEC. FERPA was mentioned and the barriers to sharing data. Wayne Sherwood, PCSNM, said that some schools will be using their own system to get results immediately. Commissioner Brauer discussed assessments and data delivery.

### **5. Discussion of Purchase, Installation, and Implementation of a System to Streamline Data Collection Specifically for State Charters**

#### **a. CSD report on the progress towards contracting for charter authorizer software**

Dr. Russell said RFP is in the process and almost ready to be posted.

### **6. First Discussion of Regular Site Visit Protocol**

Director Chavez discussed the CSD team using the site visit protocol to communicate schools, set timelines, reference performance framework and implement what PEC has approved. Commissioners had questions about the team and rating the schools the same. Director Chavez assured commissioners staff having calibration training. Commissioner Burt,

Commissioner Gipson and Commissioner Carrillo requested a rubric, consistency and no

unexpected occurrences during the team's site visits. Several Commissioners received feedback from schools concerning unknown expectations prior to site visits. Commissioner Brauer shared his idea of ways to connect classroom observations to specific indicators, allowing schools to adequately prepare for their site visits. Commissioner Chair Brauer and Commissioner Burt mentioned, there's always room for improvement and requested more transparency in the processes. There was a recommendation for training regarding site visits and Director Chavez agreed to provide the additional support. Director Chavez and Dr Russell informed Commissioners the renewal protocol was sent to Chair of the Governing Council and head administrator, allowing opportunity for questions. PEC Attorney Barnes referred to the rule about providing clarity and transparency for site visits. There was a suggestion to have schools provide feedback on their perspective on site visits.

## **7. First Discussion of Modification of New School Application for Replication(s) of Schools and/or Models**

Commissioner Gipson discussed the need to review policies and procedures around Applications Replications and creating a model. There are questions that need to be asked that are not in current applications. Discussion around finances and replication of models, and what works best for communities. Strong recommendations to review the founding team to ensure the model fits what the community needs as a new school. PEC Attorney Barnes referenced law and statute detailing replication of school districts. There was a recommendation for schools interested in replication to share their successful enrollment projections, community support and financial stability. Director Chavez and Dr. Russell will prepare verbiage for application.

### **Subcommittee Updates**

- a. Performance Framework Project Team- N/A
- b. Budget- N/A
- c. Policy Subcommittee (Contract, Rules and MOU)  
Mention of opening a new Subcommittee to discuss the lottery system.

### **REPORTS FROM PEC LIAISONS**

- a. Legislative Education Study Committee (LESC) – Commissioner Gipson  
Commissioner Gipson unable to travel to attend meetings.
- b. Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) – Commissioner Gipson  
Commissioner Gipson unable to travel to attend meetings.
- c. NM Indian Education Advisory Council – Commissioner Clahchischilliage- not present
- d. NM Public School Capital Outlay Council (PSCOC) – Commissioner Ingham  
Cost of construction has become too expensive. Indicators say things need to be replaced at schools but costs are too high. There's a need for additional funding and it's challenging times for Capital Outlay.
- e. NM Public School Insurance Authority (NMPSIA) – Commissioner Manis-not present
- f. NM School Boards Association (NMSBA) – Commissioner Carrillo  
There will be a call for proposals for breakout sessions during the New Mexico Schools Boards Association Conference in February 2024. Commissioner Carrillo said he recommended Commissioner Burt and Commissioner Gipson review Performance

Framework. Commissioner Gipson recommended doing a training session on indication of distressed schools.

- g. NM State Library Commission – Commissioner Taylor-not present
- h. NM Coalition of Educational Leaders – Commissioner Beck- Attending in the am, not present for an update.

Chair Brauer adjourned the meeting at 1:42pm.

No votes were taken by Commissioners on items during this work session.

Submitted by Bianca Olona-Elwell, CSD