

AZTEC MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 2
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES **draft**
April 4, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fran Dobey, President
Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President
Amanda Sutherland, Member
Katie Buchholz, Member
Laci Newland, Secretary

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT:

Kevin Summers, Superintendent
Evelyn Garcia, Associate Superintendent of Finance
Jenelle Cummins, CTE Director
Lauren Laws, Associate Superintendent of Teaching and Learning
Russell Florez, Deputy Superintendent of Operations
Warman Hall, Director of Federal Programs
Amber Currier, Director of Exceptional Programs
Cory Cropp, Director of Athletic and Activities
Kelvin Crain Jr., Director of Technology
Dreher Robertson, Vista Nueva High School Principal
Jessica Sledzinski, Park Avenue Elementary School Principal
Alexis Fierro, Federal Programs Administrative Assistant
Brenda McNeal, Koogler Middle School Principal
Samantha Arrington, Koogler Middle School Assistant Principal
John Laws, Director of Transportation
Catherine Olson, Readiness Specialist
Neily Snook, Teacher
Kayla Cordell, Exceptional Programs Secretary
Phyllis Cox, McCoy Elementary School Principal
Brandon Thurston, Aztec High School Principal
Nicholas Williams, Teacher
Rhea Allais, Teacher

VISITORS:

Steve Lanier
Officer Simpson
Karla Wages Keck
Nick Fierro
Ali Laws
Charity Serrano
Sommar Cole
Silas Bannowsky
MiaBella Fierro
Madeline Martinez
Meridith Guikema
Lincoln Cole
Thomas Cachucha

Demitri Huskey
Drayven Trujillo
Emilia Cordell
Kai Davey
Vylet Beery
Jim Crowley
Karen Guikema
Lilly Bayswood
Melinda Martinez
Adam Martinez
Sarah Trujillo
Aaron Huskey
Kenneth Davey
Robin Beery
Alan Beery
Jeremy Cordell
Bill Beery
Sue Beery

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Mrs. Fran Dobey in the Board Room at Central Office. The Aztec Board of Education welcomes you to this meeting.

VERIFICATION OF QUORUM/ROLL CALL

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	HERE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	HERE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	HERE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	HERE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	HERE

WELCOME/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Aztec Board of Education welcomes you to this meeting.

If you wish to express an opinion or ask questions unrelated to the agenda, please direct those to the appropriate administrator and/or board member(s) outside of this meeting.

It is our intent to maintain a professional atmosphere during this meeting. Public input is always welcomed, pursuant to board policy BEDH. Please refer to our handout on the website under Board Meetings that describes the appropriate procedures and decorum for public input.

If you are present in the Board Room, please turn off or silence your cell phones and avoid side conversations. If a need arises for a side conversation, please step out of the room to not disrupt business at hand.

Board President Mrs. Fran Dobey welcomed those attending. MiaBella Fierro led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico State Flag.

We would ask now that you please stand for our pledge of allegiance and the salute to the state flag. Official Salute to the New Mexico Flag: "I salute the flag of the State of New Mexico and the Zía symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures."

APPROVAL OF AGENDA*

Board President Mrs. Fran Dobey presented and recommended to amend the agenda moving Item 15 – Correction Statement by the Board Regarding an Inadvertent Open Meetings Act Violation above Item 11 – Consent Agenda. Board Vice President Mr. Jimmy Dusenbery made a motion to approve the agenda with the amended item as presented; second Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*

Board President Mrs. Fran Dobey presented and recommended to approve the minutes from the March Board Meetings as presented. Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland made a motion to approve the minutes from the March Board Meetings as presented; second Board Member Ms. Amanda Sutherland; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

RECOGNITION AND PRESENTATIONS

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the Board of Education Awards to the 2024 New Mexico Destination Imagination Tournament Winners, 2024 Tournament Design Winner, 2024 First Place – Scientific – Titanic Detectives, 2024 First Place and Renaissance Creativity Award – Fine Arts – Screaming Disco Spiders, 2024 First Place – Improvisational – So Extra Bubbly Slay Takis and 2024 First Place – Engineering – The Mad Hatchers. Dr. Neily Snook, Teacher, introduced the students who attended the Destination Imagination Tournament. Dr. Neily Snook, Teacher, and the students were present for any questions. The Board of Education handed out the Board of Education Certificates to the Destination Imagination Teams. Discussion was held.

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the Instructional Material Pre-Adoption. Mrs. Lauren Laws, Associate Superintendent of Teaching and Learning was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented Vista Nueva High School & Community Schools Commitments. Mr. Dreher Robertson, Vista Nueva High School Principal, was present for any questions.

PUBLIC FORUM

Description:

The Aztec Municipal School District Board of Education welcomes public comments during its regular board meetings to offer suggestions on topics relevant to the District. Topics may include suggestions for improving district services, policies, items currently on the meeting agenda, etc. Per board policy BEDH, please keep in mind the following practices:

- Questions of fact asked by the public shall, when appropriate, be answered by the President or referred to the Superintendent for reply. No action or discussion shall transpire among Board members regarding such questions or comments. Questions requiring investigation shall be referred to the Superintendent for later report to the Board. Questions or comments on matters that are currently under legal review will not receive a response.
- The President has set a time limit on the length of the comment period. This time limit is five (5) minutes and the lending or borrowing of time is not permitted. The time limit may be shortened depending on the number of speakers signed up to speak during public comment to allow more speakers to be heard.
- Personal attacks upon Board members, staff personnel, or other persons in attendance or absent by individuals who address the Board are prohibited. Presenters are cautioned that statements or representations concerning others that convey an unjustly unfavorable impression may subject the presenter to civil action for defamation.

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the request to address the Board.

Mr. Steve Lanier presented to the Board of Education.

BOARD POLICY APPROVAL*

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented and recommended the approval of Board Policy – IJND-R – Technology Resources as presented. Board Member Ms. Amanda Sutherland made a motion to approve Board Policy – IJND-R - Technology Resources as presented; second Board Vice President Mr. Jimmy Dusenbery; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the Superintendent's Report. Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers included the Superintendent's Report in Board Book. Discussion was held.

Personnel Report - Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the Personnel Report. Mr. Jonathan Acrey included the Personnel Report in Board Book. Discussion was held.

ACTION ITEMS*

Approve Fundraiser Requests – Action Items 10-A to 10-C*

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the request to approve the Fundraiser Requests - Action Items 10- A to 10-C as presented. Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland made a motion to approve the Student/Field Fundraiser Requests – Action Items 10-A to 10-C as presented; second Board Member Mrs. Katie Buchholz; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

Approval Student/Field Trip Requests – Action Items 10-D to 10-E*

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the request to approve the Student/Field Trip Requests - Action Items 10- D to 10-E as presented. Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland made a motion to approve the Student/Field Requests – Action Items 10-A to 10-E as presented; second Board Member Mrs. Katie Buchholz; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

Approval of Resolution of Aztec Municipal School District Board of Education in Support of the Superintendent Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund*

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented the request to approve the Resolution of Aztec Municipal School District Board of Education in Support of the Superintendent Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund as presented. Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland made a motion to approve the Resolution of Aztec Municipal School District Board of

Education in Support of the Superintendent Involvement in the New Mexico School Superintendent Association Legal Defense Fund as presented; second Board Vice President Mr. Jimmy Dusenbery; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA*

Superintendent Mr. Kevin Summers presented and recommended the approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. Evelyn Garcia included the Consent Agenda in the Board Packet. Mrs. Evelyn Garcia was present for any questions. Board Member Ms. Amanda Sutherland made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; second Board Member Mrs. Katie Buchholz; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

Correction Statement By The Board Regarding An Inadvertent Open Meetings Act Violation

Board President Mrs. Fran Dobey presented a correction statement regarding an inadvertent open meeting act violation. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Pursuant To NMSA Section 10-15- H-2 For Limited Personnel Matters Pertaining To Superintendent Resignation Dated March 16, 2024.

Board President Mrs. Fran Dobey recommended the Board of Education go into Executive Session Pursuant to Section NMSA Section 10-15-H-2 For Limited Personnel Matters Pertaining To Superintendent Resignation Dated March 16, 2024 as presented. Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland

made a motion to go into Executive Session as presented, second Board Member Ms. Amanda Sutherland.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

The Board went into Executive session at 7:12 p.m.

Board Vice President Mr. Jimmy Dusenbery made a motion to return to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:44 p.m.; second Board Member Ms. Amanda Sutherland; vote unanimous. No decision was made.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS*

Accept Resignation Of Superintendent, Dated March 16, 2024*

Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland made a motion to approve the Resignation of Superintendent, Dated March 16, 2024, as presented; second Board Vice President Mr. Jimmy Dusenbery; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

Approve Interim Superintendent, Effective on Resignation Date of Current Superintendent*

Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland made a motion to approve Mrs. Lauren Laws as Interim Superintendent effective immediately; second Board Vice President Mr. Jimmy Dusenbery; vote unanimous. Discussion was held.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE

Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

FUTURE BUSINESS

Regular School Board Meeting, Thursday, May 9, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.
Working Session, Thursday, May 9, 2024 @ 5:00 p.m.
Aztec High School Honor Banquet, Monday, May 6, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.
Aztec High School Graduation, Monday, May 20, 2024
Vista Nueva High School Graduation, Thursday, May 23, 2024
2024 School Law Conference, May 30, 2024, to June 1, 2024, Albuquerque, New Mexico

ADJOURNMENT

Board Secretary Mrs. Laci Newland made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second Board Member Mrs. Katie Buchholz; Vote 5-0. The meeting was adjourned 7:50 p.m.

Roll call:	Fran Dobey, President	YAE
	Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President	YAE
	Katie Buchholz, Member	YAE
	Amanda Sutherland, Member	YAE
	Laci Newland, Secretary	YAE

Motion carried.

Fran Dobey, President

ATTEST TO: _____
Laci Newland, Secretary