

AZTEC MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 2
WORKING MEETING
MINUTES **Draft – Not Official**
December 11, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Fran Dobey, President
Jimmy Dusenbery, Vice President
Amanda Sutherland, Member
Katie Buchholz, Member
Laci Newland, Secretary

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT: Lauren Laws, Interim Superintendent
Evelyn Garcia, Associate Superintendent of Finance
David Sweet, Director of Athletics and Activities
Russell Florez, Deputy Superintendent of Operations
Brian Dowdy, CTE Director
Charda Sanders, Aztec High School Principal
John Laws, Director of Transportation
Shawna Calvert, Counselor
Joseph Kresl, Teacher
Paul Cranfill, Teacher
Kimberly Zah, Indian Education Coordinator
Josh French, Teacher
Lyann Trujillo, Teacher
Wendell Eoff, Teacher
Melody Postoak, Teacher

VISITORS: Julian Frank
Marlene Amarillas
Matais Zah-Pena
Jessica Becenti
Jayden Chavez
Aidaly Cervantes

CALL TO ORDER

The working meeting was called to order at 5:00 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. This meeting is streamed live on the Aztec Schools Website via Zoom.

BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws requested the Board of Education be flexible on the Agenda for the Work Session Meeting.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – Koogler Middle School – Chess Team – NMAA State Team Chess Championships - Las Cruces, New Mexico. Mr. Joseph

Kresl, Teacher, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Fundraiser Request – Koogler Middle School – Chess Team – Working Concession Stand. Mr. Joseph Kresl, Teacher, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – Koogler Middle School and Aztec High School – Band and Choir – 2025 NMMEA All-State Ensembles – Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mr. Paul Cranfill, Teacher and Ms. Melody Postoak, Teacher, were present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – Koogler Middle School and Aztec High School – Choir – Perform in the 2025 NMACDA All State Ensembles – Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mr. Paul Cranfill, Teacher, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – Aztec High School – Tiger Shack Employees – Tubing at Purgatory Ski Resort – Durango, Colorado. Mrs. Charda Sanders, Aztec High School Principal, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – American Indian Office – Look Across the Mountain 9 – Isleta Resort, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Ms. Kimberly Zah, Indian Education Coordinator, students Jessica Becenti and Matais Zah Pena were present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – League of Nations Sponsors/American Indian Office– End of Year League of Nations Trip, San Diego, California. Ms. Kimberly Zah, Indian Education Coordinator, students Matais Zah Pena and Jeannie Becenti were present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – American Indian Office – Miss Indian World Pageant and Gathering of Nations Pow Wow – Albuquerque, New Mexico. Ms. Kimberly Zah, Indian Education Coordinator, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Fundraiser Request – League of Nations – Sell Frybread and Navajo Tacos – Home Basketball Games. Matais Zah Pena was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – Aztec High School – Girls Wrestling Team – Girls Regional Qualifier – Las Vegas, New Mexico. Mr. David Sweet, Director of Athletics and Activities, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Student/Field Trip Request – Aztec High School – Softball Team – Dave Kops Tournament of Champions– Bullhead City, Arizona. Mr. Josh French,

Teacher, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Fundraiser Request – Aztec High School – Girls Basketball – BSN Team Gear Store. Mr. David Sweet, Director of Athletics and Activities, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Fundraiser Request – Aztec High School – Baseball– Ski Swap. Mr. David Sweet, Director of Athletics and Activities, was present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Early Graduation Request from Aztec High School. Mrs. Charda Sanders, Aztec High School Principal and Marlene Amarillas were present for any questions. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Interim Superintendent's Report. Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws included the Interim Superintendent's Report in Board Book. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Personnel Report. Mr. Jonathan Acrey included the Personnel Report in Board Book. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws introduced Mrs. Evelyn Garcia, Associate Superintendent of Finance, who discussed the Consent Agenda. Discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Proposal to Revise Board Policy GCCB – Professional/Support Staff Personal/Emergency/Religious Leave. This will be discussed in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Proposal – Aztec Municipal Schools District Hall of Honor. This will be discussed in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Proposal – Memorials. This will be discussed in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Recognition and Presentations. These will be presented in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

CTE Spotlight
Transportation Spotlight
HB171 Presentation

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Agenda for the current Board Meeting. This will be presented in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

Interim Superintendent Mrs. Lauren Laws presented the Minutes from the previous Board Meetings. This will be presented in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

Public Forum – No Public Forum Requests

The Board (With Roll Call Vote to Go Into Executive Session) – The Board of Education Will Convene In a Closed Executive Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, 22-15-1(H)(2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, To Discuss Limited Personnel Matters; Specifically

- A. For the Board To Present and Discuss With the Interim Superintendent, The Interim Superintendent Evaluation; and
- B. For the Board To Discuss With The Interim Superintendent The Interim Superintendent's Contract Status As Superintendent And Possibly Engage in Contract Negotiations.

This will be presented in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

Action Item*

- A. Approve the Interim Superintendent Evaluation Completed in Executive Session
- B. Consider and Take Possible Action Related to Interim Superintendent As Interim, Including Possibly Foregoing A Search And Offering The Interim Superintendent A Contract As Superintendent.

This will be presented in the Regular Board Meeting. No discussion was held.

ADJOURNMENT

The working meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Fran Dobey, President

ATTEST TO: _____
Laci Newland, Secretary