

CES Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm by President Elect Elisa Begueria. Notice of the meeting had been sent to all Executive Committee members 10 days prior to the meeting along with the Agenda Packet, and the Minutes from the July 18, 2023, meeting. President Elect Begueria called for Roll Call.

Roll Call

The following members were present:

Elisa Begueria	President Elect
Kevin Summers	Region I
Felix Garcia- Jemez Mountain	Region II
Johnna Bruhn	Region III
Travis Dempsy	Region VIII
Erik Bose – ABQ Charter Academy	PCSNM
Dr. Sandra Rodriguez	Higher Ed 4 Year
Dr. Charley Carroll	Higher Ed 2 Year

The following members were absent:

Brian Snider	President
Dr. Cindy Sims	Region IV
Aaron McKinney – Tucumcari	Region V
Dr. Gerry Washburn	Region VI
Tana Daugherty - Cloudcroft	Region VII
Stan Rounds	NMCEL
Joe Guillen	NMSBA
TBD	PED

The following non-members were present:

David Chavez	CES Executive Director
Lianne Pierce	CES Current Director of Ancillary
Gustavo Rossell	CES Procurement Manager
Jim Barentine	CES Southern Services Director
Joanna Calderon	CES Executive Administrative Assistant
Yvonne Tabet	CES Human Resources Specialist

Quorum

The CES Board Policy states that attendance by one third of the Executive Committee members constitutes a quorum. This was, therefore, a duly convened meeting of the CES Executive Committee.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Felix Garcia and seconded by Kevin Summers to approve the agenda for October 16, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

Oath of Office

Dr. Sandra Rodriguez was administered the Oath of Office.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Kevin Summers and seconded by Felix Garcia to approve the minutes from

July 18, 2023. The motion was accepted and passed unanimously.

Agency Communications

The following reports were presented:

Partnerships – Brian Snider

NMCCS- Erik Bose

Mr. Bose announced Public Charter Schools of NM was awarded the Charter School Division Grant from PED.

NMCEL – Stan Rounds

Not present. No report was given.

NMPED – TBD

Not present. No report was given.

NMSBA – Joe Guillen

Not present. No report was given.

Higher Ed (4 yr.) – Dr. Sandra Rodriguez

Educator Preparation Programs (EPP) 4 years mandated by the State to have our Elementary Courses reflect Science of Reading for BA or Master’s Degree in Elementary Education. One year residency program is providing day one ready candidates.

Higher Ed (2 yr.) – Dr. Charley Carroll

100M in projects in process for the NM Junior College.

Finance- Brian Snider

Not present. No report was given.

Scholarship

Not present. No report was given.

Nominating

Not present. No report was given.

Policy- Brian Snider

Not present. No report was given.

Program Overview and Reports

Six Year Study Update- By the new fiscal year all the audits for participating districts should be in completed.

Mathematics Initiative- Working with in-state subject matter experts and with staff from the participating districts on identifying curriculum, instructional strategies and professional development in improving mathematics instruction.

Administrative Reports

Finance- Robin Strauser- Mr. Strauser was not present. Mr. Chavez reported that CES received an “unqualified opinion” which means a clean audit report. The CES audit can’t be released until approved by the State Auditor, once approved the CES audit will be released to all Districts. Report included in packet.

Ancillary- Lianne Pierce- Ms. Pierce we have a total staff of 224. We have developed a spreadsheet with macros from exported data from the CES Ancillary portal to audit our overages. Continuing to expand PD for staff.

Procurement- Gustavo Rossell- CES has been cooperating with NMPED to be the procurement conduit to obtain Starlink satellites + internet subscriptions for school districts in Cuba (about 500), Taos (10), Bernalillo (10). This past quarter, CES Procurement released RFPs in 4 new categories: Windows, Treatments, Glazing, Tint and Related, Solid Waste Mgt, Drones and Robotics & Six-Year Study for NM Schools Transformation Also, added one new staff to support Procurement Department growth.

Northern Services/REAP- Paul Benoit was unable to attend. Report included in packet.

Technology- Brad Schroeder was unable to attend. No report was given.

Southern Services- Jim Barentine- Report included in packet.

Human Resources- Yvonne Tabet- 45 total new employees were hired between Ancillary, Professional Services and Office Staff categories. EANS had 12 new hires for this quarter.

Executive Director reports

Request Budget adjustment to increase the budget by \$400,000.00 dollars to support the Six-Year Study- A motion was made by Johnna Bruhn and seconded by Kevin Summers to approve raising the total to \$730,000.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Request approval of the AAIS proposed invoice to support the Six-Year Study mathematics initiative- Allow David Chavez to search for an external organization for the work to be done in the area of mathematics and present options to Executive Committee by February meeting. A motion was made by Felix Garcia and seconded by Johnna Bruhn to approve the recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

Request acceptance of a \$50,000.00 grant from the Thornburg Foundation to support the Six-Year Study- A motion was made by Kevin Summers and seconded by Travis Dempsey to accept a grant from the Thornburg Foundation in the amount of \$50,000.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Personnel Report

Yvonne Tabet referred to data provided in packet. Stood for questions.

Consent Agenda

Kevin Summers made the motion to approve the consent agenda. It was seconded by Felix Garcia and passed unanimously.

Setting Next Meeting Dates

January 31, 2024, in conjunction with the NMSBA Board Member Institute in Santa Fe.

Adjourn

President Elect Elisa Begueria called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Felix Garcia and was seconded by Johnna Bruhn; it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:51pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Summers, Secretary

Attested by:

Brian Snider, President