



ACES Update, October 2016

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ACES Governing Board Annual Meeting

Each school that is a member of ACES has a seat on the Governing Board. The Governing Board has only one meeting per year and it is held in conjunction with the NMCCS Annual Conference. The ACES Governing Board Meeting was held on October 27th, 2016. At this meeting, the ACES members approved new officers, changes to the ACES bylaws and policies, and received an update on ACES financial status and activities.

Highlights of the meeting include:

Erik Bose of Albuquerque Charter Academy was elected as the new Vice President of the ACES Executive Committee.

Currently, 2/3's of NM's charter schools are members of ACES with many of the schools using one or more contracts or services provided by ACES.

ACES continues to grow as indicated by the continual increase in the number and variety of services available through ACES. Additionally, ACES's revenue continues to grow.

Kathy Lane, CPA, presented a preliminary audit report of ACES' finances for the 2015-16 fiscal year.

A recent survey of ACES members indicated a very high level of satisfaction with ACES and the services available through ACES.

The Bylaws were changed to indicate that there is not a membership cost to any charter school that wants to become a member of ACES.

The next Governing Board Meeting will be held in October, 2017 in conjunction with the NMCCS Annual Conference.

ACES Executive Committee

The ACES Governing Board delegates most of the organizational duties and responsibilities to a 9-member Executive Committee. The Executive Committee meets quarterly and is made up of the following persons:

President-Doreen Winn, Public Academy of the Performing Arts
Vice President-Erik Bose, Albuquerque Charter Academy
Member-Kirk Hartom, Southwest Learning Centers
Member-Greta Roskom, NM Coalition for Charter Schools
Member-Kelly Callahan, NM Coalition for Charter Schools
Member-Jesus Moncada Christine Duncan Heritage Academy
Member-Sam Obenshain, Cottonwood Classical Preparatory School
Member-Tonya Newton, Alice King Community School
Member-David Craig, Public Education Department

The next Executive Board Meeting will held on January 25, 2017 at 4 pm at 6200 Uptown, Conference Room 3rd Floor, Albuquerque.

Handyman/Facility Cleaning Services Request for Proposals (RFP)

ACES is currently requesting proposals for providing Cleaning/Custodial/Light Maintenance Services to charter schools. If you know of any individual or business that would be interested in providing these types of services to charter schools, please have them contact Dr. Max Luft at Max.L@nmaces.org for a copy of the Request for Proposals.

Also, we are looking for volunteers to help us evaluate the proposals that are received. If you would like help us evaluate the proposals, please contact Bruce at Bruce.H@nmaces.org or Max at Max.L@nmaces.org.

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School Nurses Needed!

ACES is currently looking to employ School Nurses to work in charter schools. As most charter schools do not need a full-time nurse, ACES is looking to hire a nurse(s) that could be shared among several charter schools. If you know of someone that would be interested in working with us, please have them contact Bruce at Bruce.H@nmaces.org.

NMCCS Annual Conference

Congratulations to the New Mexico Coalition for Charter Schools for a highly successful Conference! The conference was well attended and the break out sessions were great. Additionally, the student performances were outstanding.

Congratulations to the following award winners:

2016 Charter School of the Year – The Academy for Technology and the Classics (ATC) in Santa Fe, NM.

2016 Charter School Student of the Year – Spencer Angel, a senior at Digital Arts and Technology Academy (DATA) in Albuquerque.

2016 Charter School Teacher of the Year – Alison Garcia from Mission Achievement and Success (MAS) Charter School in Albuquerque.

2016 Charter School Administrator of the Year – Octavio Casillas, Principal of La Academia Dolores Huerta Charter School in Las Cruces.

2016 Charter School Administrator of the Year—Susan McConnell, Principal of North Valley Academy (NVA) in Albuquerque, received the second 2016 Charter School Administrator of the Year Award.

2016 Charter School Governing Council of the Year- The Governing Board members of Carinos De Los Ninos Charter School in Espanola.

Charter School Legislative Champion (Senate) - The 2016 Charter School Legislative Champion was presented to Senator Jerry Ortiz y Pino from Albuquerque.

Charter School Legislative Champion (House of Representatives) - The 2016 Charter School Legislative Champion was presented to Representative Monica Youngblood.

Charter School Authorizer Champion (Public Education Commission) – The 2016 Charter School Authorizer Champion is PEC Commissioner Carolyn Shearman from Artesia, NM.