

# RECA Regular Meeting

NM RECA

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

Minutes

| Time          | Item                 | Notes  |
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| In Attendance |                      |  |
| 9:00-9:15 AM  | Call to Order, Maria | Welcome, Check-In: Present—  |
| 9:15- 10:00AM | Updates & Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Debrief Risk Management meeting; outcome of meeting; Bobbie needs direction, if Maria, Bryan, and Val want a letter sent in support of Senator Woods and Representative Chatfield’s letter to the State Auditor, requesting an investigation into RMD.</li><li>• LFC Updates: Greg Frostad agreed that it would be good to have PED approve LESC, LFC requests, etc. through PED, but did not state if the LFC requested information of him last week. He did send an email last evening (I copied all of you in my “thank you” reply) asking LFC and LESC to make requests of PED regarding REC information.</li><li>• Title II &amp; IV Special Planning Meeting—carryover is mind-blowing (Bryan, Bobbie); Time did not permit for much discussion other than whatever we might do is bigger than “one-shot conferences; conferences need follow-up.”</li><li>• PD Work in Region 1 (David)—David is looking for possible contact for contractors to conduct program evaluation of Title Funds. Please contact him if you know of contractors to do this work.</li><li>• Update NMCEL Conference (Bryan, Bobbie, Maria, Kelley); Val cannot come until late afternoon July 18; Steve has some other conferences conflicting with NMCEL but will try to be there. Kelley will bring 5 people; Maria bringing a few</li></ul> |

people; Bryan's staff; Bobbie assisting Stan with pre-conference and will be there throughout the conference; Lisa will also assist.

- Link to NMCEL Conference:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LQJ0W3UGJVY9frDDMq0C0LNFGZQXRIUyUVp5fM21VjQ/edit>
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**DIGITAL EQUITY COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED.**

1. Two students, one from a large district and one from a small district. We should include someone from the east side of the state.
2. An administrator from a small district
3. A parent from a small district

Kelley will check with Elisa and Heather to assist in coming up with people, and see if one of them might have interest in serving as the Administrator of a small district on the Digital Equity Committee

- Agenda Items for meeting with Secretary Romero and some of his new team members on May 30 (Bobbie)
  - Welcome; Introductions
  - Highlights of the Work in our REC's (share 2022 LFC Report)
  - Needs and possible assistance from NMPED
  - Work we'd like to do for PED within Title II & IV

MEETING WITH SECRETARY:

\*Bobbie reached out to Consuelo to reschedule Secretary Romero to meet with us in June; as well as attend a Board Retreat in Ruidoso August 18<sup>th</sup> or possibly August 25<sup>th</sup> (need to check with Bryan to see if that works) Several

ED's are not available on August 4, 11 18. July is not feasible due to NMCEL conference, other conferences, and vacation schedules, etc.

Summary of Meeting with Deputy Secretary DeBell and Assistant Secretary Frostad.

REC ED's met new Deputy Secretary DeBell. She was able to provide some information about Special Education changes. Basically said, she did not think anything would change in terms of the services, support, and structure as far as the services RECs provide to their districts. She said Debra Dominguez-Clark will stay as the director.

\*Debra has shared with some of you that she will be retiring soon.

Bobbie will also reach out to Amanda DeBell about monthly meetings with Exec. Committee (30 minutes); and alternate RECs to meet with her throughout the year about their current IGAs. In general, ED's were not agreeable to providing a list of current IGA's to Bobbie to at least share with Deputy Secretary DeBell and felt that because we represent 70 of the 89 districts, she should take the time to meet with us. *"A list is just a list, but without meaning,"* was the general thought.

Emphasized to both Deputy Secretary DeBell and Assistant Secretary Frostad our desire to work in partnership with PED to develop IGA training for new staff at PED. Also mentioned presenting budget partnership with PED to Legislative committees.

Additional discussion after meeting with Secretaries ended:

Some discussion about a larger Legislative function to engage more Legislators. Bobbie feels it's best to do something smaller and more personalized by REC

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|  |  | and the school districts served in the areas they represent. Maria suggested holding this thought for a future date. |
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***Next Meeting: TBD based on Secretary Romero's availability.***

***Bi-Weekly Meetings for the remainder of year: June 6?***

***June 7-August 7, 2023 \*Meetings only if urgent***

***NMCEL Conference July 17-20***