



## Four Corners Regional Education Cooperative #1

*Aztec Municipal Schools – Bloomfield Public Schools—Central Consolidated Schools—Farmington  
Municipal Schools—Gallup-McKinley County Schools—Zuni Public Schools—San Juan College*

### MEETING MINUTES

May 28, 2025

9:00

- I. Welcome and Introductions – Meeting was hybrid and was called to order at 9:05 am.
- II. Roll Call and determination of Quorum – Quorum was as determined as follows:

#### Present:

Steve Carlson – Central Consolidated School District  
Nate Pierentoni – Farmington Municipal Schools (Zoom, Proxy)  
Mike Hyatt – Gallup McKinley County Schools (Zoom)  
Lauren Laws – Aztec Municipal Schools (Zoom)  
Dr. Toni Hopper Pendergrass – San Juan College  
James Olivas – Bloomfield Schools  
Tucker Simonds – Zuni Pueblo Schools (Zoom, Proxy)

#### Absent:

Cody Diehl – Farmington Municipal Schools  
Randy Stickney – Zuni Pueblo Schools

#### Also in Attendance:

David Bowman – Director REC-1  
Staci Babcock – Bloomfield Schools / Finance Director REC-1

- III. Action: Approval of Meeting Agenda – The meeting agenda was presented and reviewed. Mr. Hyatt moved to approve the meeting agenda and Dr. Pendergrass seconded. The motion passed to approve the meeting agenda.
- IV. Budget Report: Preliminary Budget for FY 2026 – Ms. Babcock presented the preliminary budget submitted to the NMPED. Dr. Pendergrass questioned the balance, specifically the remainder of the EEDW grant after several years of implementation. After the discussion, Mr. Carlson asked for further questions, but none were asked.
- V. Action: Approval of Preliminary Budget for FY 2026 – Mr. Carlson asked for a motion to approve the preliminary budget for FY 2026. Mr. Olivas made a motion to approve, and Mr. Simonds seconded. After not having a unanimous vote in favor, a roll call vote was taken.

#### Roll Call Vote:

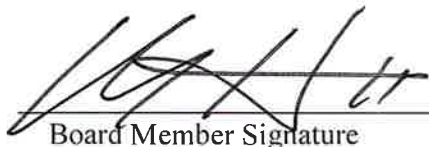
Steve Carlson – Yes

325 N Bergin Ln., Bloomfield, NM 87413  
505-634-3898 | 505-632-4371  
director@nmrec1.org | <http://NMREC1.org>

Nate Pierentoni – Yes  
Mike Hyatt – No  
Lauren Laws – Yes  
Dr. Toni Hopper Pendergrass – Yes  
James Olivas – Yes  
Tucker Simonds – Yes

Motion to approve the Preliminary Budget for FY 2026 passed.

- VI. Action: Convene to EXECUTIVE SESSION for the Executive Director's Evaluation and Contract – Dr. Pendergrass motioned to convene to executive session, and Mrs. Laws seconded. The motion was passed to convene to Executive Session at 9:15 am.
- VII. Action: Reconvene to OPEN SESSION – Mr. Olivas motioned to reconvene to open session, and Dr. Pendergrass seconded. The meeting was reconvened at 9:54 am.
- VIII. Discussion: Executive Director's Evaluation results – Mr. Carlson called for discussion, none.
- IX. Action: Executive Director's Contract for SY 2025-2026 – Mr. Hyatt motioned to offer a three-month contract to the Executive Director with the position to be advertised, and Mrs. Laws seconded. The motion passed to offer a three-month contract to the current Executive Director, with all in favor except for Mr. Simonds, who opposed.
- X. Next Board Meeting: August 13, 2025, at 10:30 am to be held at the REC Office. Mr. Bowman noted the need for a possible Ad Hoc meeting in June for approval of awards.
- XI. Action: Approval to Adjourn – Dr. Pendergrass made a motion to adjourn the current meeting, and Mr. Hyatt seconded. The motion passed to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 am.

  
Board Member Signature

  
Title

  
Date Approved