

MINUTES
of the
NINETY-THIRD MEETING
of the
PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY OVERSIGHT TASK FORCE

July 1, 2024
State Capitol, Room 322
Santa Fe

The ninety-third meeting of the Public School Capital Outlay Oversight Task Force was called to order by Senator William P. Soules, chair, on Monday, July 1, 2024, at 10:05 a.m. in Room 322 of the State Capitol in Santa Fe.

Present

Sen. William P. Soules, Chair
Rep. Eliseo Lee Alcon
Rep. Jack Chatfield
Rep. Tara Jaramillo, Designee for Rep.
 Javier Martínez
Ashley Leach, Designee for Secretary of
 Finance and Administration Wayne
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Amanda Lupardus, Designee for Secretary
 of Public Education Arsenio Romero
Rep. Tanya Mirabal Moya
Cindy Montoya
Stan Rounds
Sen. Joshua A. Sanchez

Advisory Members

Rep. Brian G. Baca
Rep. Ambrose Castellano
Sen. Michael Padilla

Absent

Rep. G. Andrés Romero, Vice Chair
Johnny Benavidez
LeAnne Gandy
Julie Lucero
Sen. George K. Muñoz
Brandy Murphy
Sen. Shannon D. Pinto
Amber L. Romero
Rep. Nathan P. Small
Sen. Mimi Stewart

Rep. Yanira Gurrola
Sen. Leo Jaramillo
Sen. Cliff R. Pirtle
Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr.

Staff

Rebecca Griego, Records Officer, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
Simon D. Suzuki, Staff Attorney, LCS
Clinton Turner, Research and Fiscal Policy Analyst, LCS

Guests

The guest list is in the meeting file.

Handouts

Handouts and other written materials are in the meeting file and posted on the legislature's website.

References to Webcast

The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the task force meeting, which can be found at www.nmlegis.gov, under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations made and task force discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

Monday, July 1

Welcome and Introductions (10:05 a.m.)

Senator Soules welcomed task force members, guests and presenters to the meeting. Task force members and staff introduced themselves.

Update from the Public School Capital Outlay Council (PSCOC) and the Public School Facilities Authority (PSFA) (10:09 a.m.)

Joe Guillen, chair, PSCOC, and Iris Romero, executive director, PSFA, provided an overview of the capital outlay awards for fiscal year 2024 and discussed new awards, out-of-cycle awards and related information regarding funding. Mr. Guillen and Ms. Romero also provided an outlook for fiscal year 2025, including a discussion about rankings, funding programs and the PSCOC's meeting calendar. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=PSCO&Date=7/1/2024&ItemNumber=1>.

2024 Legislative Session Update (10:42 a.m.)

Mark A. Montoya, senior policy analyst, Legislative Education Study Committee, presented on House Bill 207 and Senate Bill 76, which were passed during the 2024 regular legislative session and affect the state's public school capital outlay system. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=PSCO&Date=7/1/2024&ItemNumber=2>.

Public School Capital Outlay Act (PSCOA) Funding Formula Overview (11:05 a.m.)

Mr. Montoya and Cally Carswell, principal analyst, Capital Outlay, Legislative Finance Committee, presented on the formula used to determine the state and local funding shares for public school capital projects. Mr. Montoya and Ms. Carswell provided a brief history of the

funding formula, metrics used for the current calculation, criteria and waivers and policy considerations. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=PSCO&Date=7/1/2024&ItemNumber=3>.

PSFA Perspective: Steps Forward (1:15 p.m.)

PSFA staff presented on "local match reductions", which are waivers of certain criteria for school districts. The presentation covered the need for local match reductions and the statutory basis and potential legislative solutions for current issues. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=PSCO&Date=7/1/2024&ItemNumber=5>.

School District Perspectives: The PSCOA Funding Formula — Panel Discussion (2:17 p.m.)

Jeff Gephart, superintendent, Animas Public School District; Amy Roble, superintendent, Maxwell Municipal School District; and Brian Stacy, superintendent, Melrose Public School District, discussed the PSCOA funding formula and the challenges that their respective school districts face in meeting the criteria for public school capital outlay awards.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the task force, the meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.