



ALAS de NM Interim Board Meeting  
12/14/2012

In Attendance: Anthony Griego, James Lujan, Chris Sanchez, Jacqueline Costales, Yvonne Garcia, Eddie Soto, Martin Sandoval, David Rogers

Agenda Items:

I. ALAS Organizational Structure

- Final approval of By Laws by the Board
  - Action Deferred until we can get a clean copy that we can all review. Yvonne Garcia and Jacque Costales will work on a more finalized copy based on notes from our last meeting.
  - Eddie Soto shared that the bylaws will be reviewed by an attorney when we are ready.

II. Strategic Planning

- Dual Language NM
  - We thanked David Rogers who was in attendance for the support of ALAS de NM in providing time at the La Cosecha conference this past year.
  - Mr. Rogers shared that he has board members that want to join our organization. And they believe that their organization and ours align.
  - He is extending an invitation for us to partner for La Cosecha next year (Nov. 6-9, 2013) and he is hopeful we would be interested in one of the following options: a pre-conference event, a strand, or a Saturday event when they have rooms available. He shared a sample of the general schedule. Discussed quality of the current offerings. They will be at the ABQ Convention Center. Native Language Instructors Institute and other organizations will also do pre-conference events. They definitely have rooms available for us to participate.
  - ALAS promo can be added to the totes and other promotional pieces.
  - Networking within the state and nationally is a concern for them and he believes that the ALAS connection supports the goals of their organization.
  - **Motion presented and passed to commit ALAS de NM to be present and participate at La Cosecha 2013.**
  - ALAS de NM will review the letter of invitation that Dual Language of NM is sending out to potential keynote speakers at the conference for next year. Participation by ALAS de NM will be cited in that invitation.
- NMCSA proposal:
  - This is being spearheaded by Mario Zuniga and he will be meeting with the organization to start a conversation about potential ways for our organization to partner with them formally. We are looking at putting together a proposal to be listed on their list serve with our logo and in their communications. Proposals due in February to the Coalition.
- Committee work assignments
  - Assignments deferred until we have begun the planning for our La Cosecha involvement. This will be on every Board agenda between now and the conference.

III. Strategic Conversations

- We will have some members at the Taos Admin Academy on January 25, 2013 to solicit membership. (Those interested at this time: Chris, Martin, Eddie, Jacque, Mario)
- We hope to have some members at the NM School Boards Association Institute February 22 & 23, 2013 to promote membership. Perhaps a table. Eddie will talk to Joe Guillen.
- ALAS Colorado State Conference in April 2013: we hope to have presence there and to offer support to Colorado.
- February 15, 2013 Bilingual Ed Day at State Capital: we hope to send a contingency
- February 16, 2013 NM Bilingual Educators Association conference at Buffalo Thunder: we hope to send a contingency
- Other potential opportunities: NMCSA Summer 2013, ALAS National in Denver in October 2013, National Great City Schools in Albuquerque- Fall 2013
- An ALAS de NM State Conference is in consideration but we are not ready to set a target date.

#### IV. Strategic Vision

- Focus on Latino equity: we will begin to look at other organization's platforms and determine if they align with the work we want to be involved in. Dual Language of NM shared the platform by the Coalition for the Majority with us to review.
- The Latino Equity Task Force: considering having them attend a future meeting to start a conversation. We would like to see if their platform aligns specifically with practitioner needs.
- No news on the MALDEF Lawsuit.

#### V. Next Steps

- Agenda topics for our next meeting which will be held January 9, 2013 at APS City Centre:
  - Approval of minutes from 12/14/2012 Interim Board Meeting
  - Finalize the Bylaws
  - Proposal for NMCSA
  - Taos planning
  - School Board Association
  - Equity Task Force-hopefully they will accept our invitation to attend
  - NMABE
  - Re-occurring agenda item will be our involvement in La Cosecha 2013

Notes respectfully submitted 12/17/2012 by:

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ALAS de NM interim Board Secretary