

# Roots & Wings

## Community School



Governing Council Regular Meeting  
In-Person or virtually on Google Meets.  
35 La Lama Rd, Questa, NM 87556

## Approved Minutes

5:30 pm, December 13, 2022  
In-Person at school or via  
Google Meeting [Link](#)

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The RWCS GC may take any agenda item out of order to better facilitate the business at hand.

### I. Opening Business

- A. Call to Order: 5:36 PM
- B. Roll Call: **GB Members:** Scotney Blackburn, Aline Robertson, Erica Lannon.  
Members Absent: Robin Mayo and Elizabeth Anderson. We have a quorum  
**Others in Attendance:** Jon Orris and Sarah Pina  
**Members of the Public:** Elieen Campos
- C. Reading of Mission Statement:  
Our mission is to inspire our students to academic & personal excellence.  
Our innovative learning community creates classroom, farm & wilderness  
adventure– Engaging the head, hands & heart – Enabling students to  
achieve more than they think possible & to take an active role in our  
ever-changing world!
- D. Approve, Amend or Denial of Current Meeting Agenda: **12-12-2022 Erica Lannon makes a motion to table item I.F. Mission Moment, VI.D. PCSNM conference, V.II.board development, and item IV - Closed Session Pursuant to NM Statute Section 10-15-1 H(2) limited personnel matters Aline second. Roll Call Vote:** Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.
- E. Approve, Amend or Denial of Prior Meeting Minutes: **11-15-2022 [GC Draft Minutes\\_11-15-2022 - Google Docs](#) Scotney Blackburn makes a motion to move the November meeting minutes with the changes presented (language mistakes and extra sentence in 3b. Aline Robertson seconds. Roll Call Vote:** Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.
- F. ~~Mission Moment: (Jon)~~

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- II. Public Comment:** *(max time of 3 minutes/person or 15 minutes)* If more time is needed, the GC suggests a letter/email be written & made available to all GC members, preferably 3 days before the meeting. The GC shall not respond to public comments presented at this time, but will take all comments under advisement.

Eileen Campos - Just observing

- III. Closed Session -** *Closed Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978, the Board will meet in closed session to discuss the purchase of real property.*

Vote to go into Closed Session: Aline makes a motion to go into closed session pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978 to discuss the purchase of real property. Erica Lannon seconds. **Roll Call Vote:** Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries. Following Closed Session the Council will return to Open Session and may take action.

The board came out of closed session at 6:25 pm, no action was taken and only the item on the agenda was discussed. Item for Resolution 2023-001 :

Vice-President: In this meeting of Roots and Wings Community School's Governing Council this agenda item is for the purpose of considering the acquisition of its current campus from Todd Wynward and Margaret T. Bartlett the current owners. The campus is more particularly described as two (2) single story buildings used for classrooms and administrative space totaling approximately 4,119 square feet with certain improvements ("Improvements") located on approximately 2.0 acres of land ("Land"). The Land and Improvements (collectively referred to as the "Property") are located at 35 La Lama Road, Questa, Taos County, New Mexico. The purchase will be accomplished by making an advanced principal payment of \$350,000, the source of which is a legislative appropriation, the remaining balance will be paid for by using a financing instrument known as a Public School Lease Purchase Arrangement.

GB members have been provided a Summary of the Purchase Agreement and Lease Purchase Arrangement terms and conditions, a copy of the Purchase Agreement and Lease Purchase Arrangement with exhibits prepared by our attorney, as well as a document titled "Source of Funds for Facility Payments Pursuant to the Lease Arrangement," and a copy of the proposed Resolution that if approved would permit the school to enter the Purchase Agreement and the Lease Purchase Arrangement under the conditions stated. The terms of the transaction and acquisition were discussed in closed session. We are now in an open meeting. Is there a motion for RWCS to enter into the Purchase Agreement and the Lease Purchase Arrangement with the Owners to buy the Property?

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Aline Robertson moves to adopt Resolution #2023-001 of the Roots and Wings Community School's Governing Council wherein the Council expresses its approval and intent for the school to enter into the Purchase Agreement and a Lease Purchase Arrangement with Todd Wynward and Margaret T. Barrett in the form presented to the Council on the condition that the Department issues its Notice of Obligation for the advance principal payment and approves the Lease Purchase Arrangement to finance the balance of the purchase price.

Motion seconded by Scotney Blackburn

No further discussion. No further questions or comments were raised.

Roll Call Vote: Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.

#### ~~IV. Closed Session Pursuant to NM Statute Section 10-15-1 H(2) limited personnel matters~~

~~Vote to go into Closed Session:~~

~~Following Closed Session the Council will return to Open Session and may take action:~~

#### V. Action Items

1. Discussion and possible action on new board members. Aline makes a motion to table action item A. Scotney Blackburn seconds. Roll Call Vote: Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.
2. Budget Adjustment Requests: Business manager presents BAR 570-000-2223-0013-I fund 31400 initial budget for \$346,500. Aline makes a motion to approve the budget adjustment as presented. Erica Lannon seconds. Roll Call Vote: Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.
3. Approval of Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers Erica Lannon makes a motion to table approval of payroll and accounts payable vouchers. Aline seconds. Roll Call Vote: Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.
4. Discussion and Possible Action on the Lease Purchase Agreement and Purchase Agreement pertaining to the sale of the current school facility from current landlords to RWCS. Aline moves to recognize that the board addressed this item after the closed session in item III. Erica Lannon seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.

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- VI. Informational/Discussion Items** Aline Robertson makes a motion to table all informational/discussional items until the next meeting. Erica Lannon seconds. Roll Call Vote: Scotney Blackburn-yes, Aline Robertson - yes, Erica Lannon- yes. Motion carries.

~~Directors Report: (Jon)~~

~~Facilities Report: (Erica)~~

~~Finance Committee Report (Aline)~~

~~PCSNM Conference Report (Erica)~~

**~~VII. Board Development~~**

~~Google drive updates from last meeting~~

~~Training course updates~~

**VIII. Closing Business**

Next Meeting: January 17, 2023 @ 5:30 pm

Adjournment: 6:48 pm