



**Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education  
Special Meeting**

Tuesday, February 3, 2015 • 4:00 p.m.  
LCPS Administration Building Board Room

**I. INTRODUCTION**

*A. Call to Order*

Dr. Bonnie Votaw called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

*B. Roll Call*

Roll call was taken by Mr. Chuck Davis. Those present:

- Dr. Bonnie Votaw, President
- Mrs. Barbara Hall, Vice President
- Mr. Chuck Davis, Secretary
- Dr. Connie Phillips, Member
- Sra. Maria Flores, Member

Superintendent Stan Rounds was also in attendance.

*C. Approval of Agenda*

A motion was made by Mrs. Barbara Hall and seconded by Mr. Chuck Davis to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

*D. Approval of Consent Agenda Items*

A motion was made by Mr. Chuck Davis and seconded by Mrs. Barbara Hall to approve consent agenda item III.A.1. Approval of Bids. The motion passed unanimously.

**II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

*A. Students Against Destructive Decisions*

The Centennial High School Chapter of Students Against Destructive Decisions ("SADD") provided a short presentation to the Board. There are currently SADD Chapters at Oate High School, Centennial High School and Zia Middle School. The SADD organization was nationally founded in 1981 and currently has a "no use" policy. President Dr. Votaw suggested adding no texting while driving language in the no- use policy. Ms. Koerper responded that the kids are aware of the statistics regarding texting. There was a discussion regarding cyber-bullying.

**III. OTHER REPORTS**

*A. Finance*

*Item #1 was on consent and approved earlier in the evening.*

*2. Discussion of Sale of Bonds*

Mr. Terry Dean provided a presentation with regard to the sale of bonds on why, when and how much bonds are sold for. Bonds are authorized for 4 years and cannot be used for salaries. Bonds are sold to generate money to maintain construction on facilities and for capital improvements. It is difficult to determine when bonds are sold contingent upon the timing of projects, tax rate

promised to voters, and the availability of resources. Mr. Dean stated that bonds are generally sold once a year because every bond issue has a cost of issuance.

*B. Instruction*

1. *None.*

*C. Operations*

1. *Construction Projects Update on Crossroads, Head Start and Operations Annex*  
Mr. Dane Kennon, Associate Superintendent of Operations, shared with the board that the CES contractors are currently working on pricing for the Crossroads project; there is a start date of February 16, 2015 and a completion date between July and August 2015. Head Start is now in place at Valley View Elementary School, and phone and internet service is in place. Mr. Kennon also reviewed and discussed a schematic for the Operations Annex expansion. An anticipated completion time frame was also discussed and Superintendent Rounds stated it is a five year plan.
2. *School Siting Committee Decision*  
Mr. Dane Kennon, Associate Superintendent of Operations, discussed a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) that was drafted to design a county-wide process for approval at a future date by the board as well as a draft of a board policy. The MOU will be included in the Facilities Master Plan, and the Facilities Master Plan will be brought back to the board for approval as amended. The policy will be added on a future board agenda for approval.

**IV. BOARD ITEMS**

*A. Old Business*

1. *None.*

*B. New Business*

1. *None.*

**V. PUBLIC INPUT**

None.

**VI. Board Reports**

President Dr. Votaw distributed the Superintendent’s Evaluation to board members for their review. Superintendent Rounds will provide a summary and planning points to his evaluation to the board within the next week.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Chuck Davis and seconded by Dr. Connie Phillips to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary

Minutes taken by Tina Gonzalez.