

**New Mexico Connections Academy, Inc. (NMCA)  
ORGANIZATIONAL GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING**

Pursuant to the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given to the members of the NMCA Governing Council and the general public that the NMCA Governing Council will hold a meeting open to the public on:

**Date and Time:**

Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. MT

**Held at the following location:**

New Mexico Coalition for Charter Schools  
610 Gold NW, Suite 102  
Albuquerque, NM 87102

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Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate persons with a disability. Please contact Mark Boitano at 505-239-2336.

**GOVERNING COUNCIL AGENDA**

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

II. Public Comment

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public both in-person and telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to Board.

III. Nomination and Vote on Governing Council Members

i. Election of Governing Council Officers

IV. Reading of New Mexico Connections Academy Mission Statement

V. Routine Business

a. Approval of Agenda

VI. Oral Reports

a. Decision and Order from the New Mexico Secretary of Education

b. Planning Year Checklist and Implementation Timeline

VII. Action Items

- a. Consideration of Organizational Resolutions
  - i. Consideration of Bylaws
  - ii. Conflict of Interest Policy
  - iii. Public Comment Policy
  - iv. Authorization for Opening Bank Account
- b. Consideration of Open Meetings Act Annual Resolution
- c. Ratification of Charter Application filed with New Mexico Public Education Commission
- d. Consideration of Engagement of Board Counsel
- e. Consideration of Board Treasurer to Negotiate, Finalize and Execute an Agreement with NM Coalition for Charter Schools for Financial Services (Business Manager Services)
- f. Consideration of Board Member to Work with Business Manager and Connections on Financial Related Matters
- g. Consideration of Financial Records Custodian
- h. Consideration of Board President to Work with Board Counsel to Negotiate, Finalize and Execute Preliminary Contract with New Mexico Public Education Commission
- i. Consideration of Board Designee(s) to Work with Counsel to Negotiate, Finalize and Execute Statement of Work with Connections Academy of New Mexico, LLC
- j. Consideration of Board Designee to Work with Board Counsel, Public Schools Facility Authority, PED and Connections to Negotiate, Finalize and Execute a Lease or Sub-Lease Agreement
- k. Consideration of Admission Policy
- l. Consideration of Lottery Policy
- m. Consideration of Job Description for School Leader and Recruitment Plan and Authorization for Connections to Post the Job Description and Begin Recruitment for NMCA School Leader
- n. Consideration of Board Designee to Work with Board Counsel and Connections on Human Resource and Personnel Related Matters
- o. Consideration of Board Designee to Work with Board Counsel and Connections on School Handbooks, Curriculum and Other Instructional Matters

VIII. Information Items

- a. State Relations Update
- b. Board of Finance Application

IX. Adjournment and Next Meeting – Thursday, March 7, 2013