

Governing Body Member Change Notification Form

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The Charter Contract was entered into by and between the New Mexico Public Education Commission (PEC) and New America School-Las Cruces, hereafter "the school," effective on 5/1/2022.

Current Governing Body Members and Positions: Susie Kimble, President; Roberta Stathis, VP; Jessica Castro-Buelna, Sec; Cecilia Hernandez, Dae Romero, Oscar Juarez

Governing Body Member(s) Resigning or Removed: Dae Romero

New Governing Body Member(s) and Position(s): none

Contact information for New Governing Body Member(s) (phone, email): none

Is the school requesting an extension to fill a vacancy: ☐ yes ☒ no

If so, provide date of vacancy: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Number of personnel changes (Head Administrator/Business Manager/Procurement Officer, Governing Board Member), including this change, submitted to PEC in the last 12 months: Twice: two added members

Effective Date: 6/30/2025

The school's notification is hereby submitted by:

Signature of School Representative:  **Date:** 6/23/25

Signature of Governing Board Chair:  **Date:** 6/24/25

For PEC/CSD use only

PEC Meeting Date:

Agenda: ☐ Consent (typical) ☐ Regular (unusual circumstance)

The school's notification was: ☐ Accepted ☐ Rejected (provide reason)

Electronic signature of CSD Director: _____ **Date:** _____



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Dear Principal Porter and President Kimble,

I am writing to formally submit my resignation as a member of the governing council of the New America School, effective June 30, 2025. This decision comes after much thoughtful consideration, as I have valued my service and the important mission we uphold at our school.

During my tenure on the board, I have had the privilege of witnessing significant strides in educational innovation and student success. Working with a dedicated team committed to the welfare of our students and community has been both inspiring and rewarding. However, due to evolving personal health circumstances and increasing professional obligations, I find it necessary to step aside in order to devote my energies where they are most needed at this time.

I am committed to ensuring a smooth transition and am prepared to assist in every possible way during this changeover period. I do wish to come back, if you will have me, when I do not have as many professional obligations.

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to New America over the past year. I will always cherish the experiences and insights gained while working in such a dedicated, supportive, and innovative environment. I look forward to seeing the school's future accomplishments and remain a supporter of its mission.

Gratefully,
Dae Romero



Our Mission:

*To empower all students, especially
the academically underserved with
the educational support they need to
reach their potential, succeed in life
and realize the
American Dream.*

**New America School-Las Cruces
General GC Meeting**

Thursday, July 10, 2025

207 S. Main St.

Las Cruces, NM 88001

5:00 PM

AGENDA

Meeting may be accessed via zoom or in-person

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81422183231?pwd=9Z1rbe3JakAP92bEzrQ6gYK93ZAK93.1>

Meeting ID: 814 2218 3231

Passcode: Liberty1!

- a) Call to order
- b) Pledge of Allegiance
- c) Mission Statement
- d) Public Input

Action Items

1. Approval of the agenda
2. Approval of the minutes of May 8, 2025 and June 19, 2025
3. Discussion and action regarding financial reports and BARs
4. Discussion and action on Student Handbook and Employee Handbook
5. Discussion and action on Anti-Distracted Policy
6. Discussion and action on two elective courses
7. Discussion and action on resignation
8. Discussion and action on next steps regarding enforcement of the cannabis ruling

Information Items

1. GC Training
2. Superintendent's Report
3. Adjournment

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact mporter@lcnas.org at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible formats. Please contact mporter@lcnas.org if a summary or other type of accessible format is needed.

STATEMENT OF GOVERNING BODY TO CONSULT WITH PED

We, the undersigned, make up the governing body of the New America School-Las Cruces, located in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

In accordance with 6.80.4.16 NMAC, we agree to consult with the New Mexico Public Education Department on any matter not covered by the manual of accounting and budgeting before taking any action related to funds held as a board of finance.

We make this statement as part of New America School-Las Cruces's application to the Public Education Commission for status as a board of finance under 6.80.4.16 NMAC.

We understand that we must retain or hire a Licensed School Business Manager as soon as financial feasible and, thereafter, notify the New Mexico Public Education Commission within 30 days of hiring and/or changing in a Licensed School Business Manager for the school, and a new, signed "Affidavit of Financial Custodian" must be submitted.

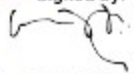
We understand that we must submit an Affidavit of Governing Body Member to the Public Education Commission within 60 days of a change in membership of our governing body.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE NEW AMERICA SCHOOL-LAS CRUCES GIVE THE FOREGOING STATEMENT THIS 10 day of July, 2025.

Signed by:
1. 
Susie Kimble

Signed by:
2. 
Roberta Stathis

Signed by:
3. 
Jessica Buelna-Castro

Signed by:
4. 
Oscar Juarez

Signed by:
5. 
Cecilia Hernandez