

MINUTES
for the
NINETY-EIGHTH MEETING
of the
PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY OVERSIGHT TASK FORCE

July 14, 2025
State Capitol, Room 307
Santa Fe

The ninety-eighth meeting of the Public School Capital Outlay Oversight Task Force was called to order by Representative G. Andrés Romero, chair, on Monday, July 14, 2025, at 9:16 a.m. in Room 307 of the State Capitol in Santa Fe.

Present

Rep. G. Andrés Romero, Chair
Sen. William P. Soules, Vice Chair
Sen. Pat Boone
Rhiannon Chavez
Rep. Catherine J. Cullen
Sen. Steve D. Lanier
Ashley Leach, Designee for Secretary of
Finance and Administration Wayne
Probst
Amanda Lupardus-Hernandez, Designee for
Secretary of Public Education
Mariana Padilla
Rep. Tanya Mirabal Moya
Cindy Montoya
Rep. Debra M. Sariñana
Sen. Mimi Stewart

Absent

Johnny Benavidez
Steve Carlson
LeAnne Gandy
Rep. Derrick J. Lente
Julie Lucero
Rep. Javier Martínez
Sen. George K. Muñoz
Brandy Murphy
Sen. Shannon D. Pinto
Amber L. Romero
Stan Rounds
Ignacio Ruiz
Rep. Nathan P. Small

Staff

Simon D. Suzuki, Staff Attorney, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
Marisa Garcia-Hart, Administrative Assistant, LCS
Rebecca Griego, Records Officer, LCS

Guests

The guest list is in the meeting file.

Handouts

Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file and posted on the legislature's website.

References to Webcast

The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the task force meeting, which can be found at www.nmlegis.gov, under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations and task force discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

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Welcome and Introductions (9:16 a.m.)

Representative Romero welcomed task force members, guests and presenters.

2025 Statewide Adequacy Standards and Maximum Gross Square Foot Per Student Calculator (9:19 a.m.)

Iris Romero, executive director, Public School Facilities Authority (PSFA), provided an update about the PSFA's operations. Andrew Martinez, manager, Facilities Assessment Database, PSFA, reported on updated adequacy standards and the new calculator for gross square footage. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=PSCO&Date=7/14/2025&ItemNumber=1>.

2025 Statewide Maintenance Performance Update (9:40 a.m.)

Larry Tillotson, deputy director, operations, Outreach and Quality Assurance, PSFA, reported on the PSFA's statewide maintenance program. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=PSCO&Date=7/14/2025&ItemNumber=2>.

Panel Discussion: School District Perspectives (12:03 p.m.)

Patrick Martinez, executive director of facilities, Rio Rancho Public School District, advised that he had no information to share on behalf of his district. Michael Crabtree, superintendent, Alamogordo Public School District, and Scott Ficklin, senior capital outlay and facilities manager, Alamogordo Public School District, gave positive feedback regarding the new updated adequacy standards and gross square footage calculator. They requested that the PSFA update the adequacy planning guide that is published to assist school districts with planning projects. Michelle Gonzales, superintendent, Penasco Independent School District, inquired if funding for new schools will be affected. She reported that her school district is experiencing delayed responses from the PSFA but clarified that the PSFA has been helpful.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the task force, the meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.