

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Minutes – 10 December 2001 Partnership Meeting

DATE: 11 December 2001

1. The meeting, held at 2808 Central S.E., Albuquerque, began at 3:15. In attendance:

Kurt Steinhaus	Vicente Llamas	Doug Earick	Michael García
Coral Inza	Pleddie Baker	Gillian Gonda	Dorothy Draper
Tom Gruszka	Arnold ??	David Church	Barbara Kimball
Mike Silva	Jack Jekowski	Betsy Yost	Steve Brugge
David Bowman	Wanda Guzman	Carlos Atencio	Elwyn Hulett
Cathy Kinzer	Michelle Diel		

2. Agenda:

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. SBE Legislative Package – Steve Sanchez (David Bowman)
- III. Discussion – Partnership Strategy, 2002 Legislature
- IV. Math Standards Revision Process – Steve Sanchez (David Bowman)
- V. NM Math-Science Education Database – Coral Inza
- VI. Updates & News
  - EPSCOR – Barbara Kimball
  - Coalition for Science & Math Education – Kim Johnson
  - NSF Tribal Coalition RSI – Debbie Scruggs
  - NSF Northern Network RSI – Carlos Atencio
  - Annenberg Projects – Eric Romero
  - PBS Teacherline – Gillian Gonda
  - Advanced Placement – Steve Sanchez
  - Other
- VII. Next Meeting Date/Time

3. Michael García, Executive Director, NM MESA, Inc., welcomed the group and provided background on NM MESA mission and program. NM MESA currently serves approximately 5,000 students in 91 schools and 30 school districts around the state. A new Regional Office to serve the Southeastern section of New Mexico will be opening at ENMU-R in January.

4. Updates & News – Discussion regarding the outreach program, the amount of money set aside through NSF, what is it available for and how to get it. The RFP is expected in early January to late February. Some of these monies are available from NSF and some from Department of Education. The focus is on partnerships with non-profits taking the lead role. There are two levels of partnerships 1) statewide and 2) regional (in state or internal). APS has been asked by NSF to apply, one of 5 or 6 school districts around the country. EPSCOR has offered to help leverage the grant.

- Basic Issues – Is the proposal for the entire state to include APS or is it the entire state but excludes APS and they submit their own proposal? We are looking to continue work the RSI started but we shouldn't forget rural New Mexico.
- Grant Goals – No goals have been determined; the Partnership needs to be innovative and ready for a new initiative. The proposal needs to address teacher quality, certification, etc. and bridge the gaps in the current reform movement. A good idea would be to work with the Governor's Science Advisor, Larry Winter and discuss NM's science and technology policy. The Partnership should refer to NM education piece.
- Strategy – Connect with the math and science community; use Jack Jekowski's matrix of programs. The Partnership should look at what's available as it's a diverse group and then determine how to use these resources.
- SCIMAST – SEDL is willing to host 50 individuals and provide food and location; Dr. Llamas will contact them to see if they are willing to move the date up to January 2002. Who should be considered for this meeting. We should include Larry Winter and individuals from CHE and state universities as well as businesses and National Labs. **Deadline:** Provide a list of invitees to Kurt Steinhaus or Dr. Llamas by the 17<sup>th</sup>.
- The question was posed if the Partnership is set up to receive grants. While we are currently designing our own fiscal operating procedures, a larger organization would be designated as the fiscal agent.

5. Coral Inza demonstrated the new database format; individuals will be able to go online and update information. Currently 300+ math and science resource records are listed but many are no longer current. The Partnership needs to ensure the quality of the programs listed because this data will provide statistics and information helpful for proposals. An archive is in place as a read only file but it can be updated (by Coral only) and is searchable. Discussion followed regarding adding Partnership database to the State Department of Education website and per David Bowman, they have two more years remaining in their contract. He will follow-up regarding this.

6. Legislative Package – Level funding is predicted for the coming year. New Mexico is in a deficit mode; there is no money for any new projects and no additional monies for existing projects. The State Board of Education has tabled its special projects for this year.

7. Math Standards – Please visit [groups.yahoo.com/group/nmmathstandards](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nmmathstandards). UNM is currently offering 17 remedial math classes, the standards for 9-12 should mirror remedial courses at UNM, students can then enroll in a credit granting math course upon entering college. The standards go before the board for approval in June; if you have any ideas please send them to David Bowman. The aim is to cover a smaller number of topics but more in-depth.

8. TeacherLine – PBS initiative; handout provided. KNME is in the planning stages of this grant and is talking with APS. Recipients will receive a couple of thousand dollars. Currently working on how to give graduate or continuing education credit. This initiative is currently aimed solely at teacher professional development. For more information visit [www.pbs.org/teacherline](http://www.pbs.org/teacherline) or call Gillian at 277-8296; e-mail at [gillian@knme1.unm.edu](mailto:gillian@knme1.unm.edu). Gillian also announced that KNME now has a digital signal at CH 35.

9. NSF Northern Network RSI – Funding has been received, retroactive to July 1. Carlos, et al are implementing a \$5M program. They must fulfill the following requirements: 1) ensure 80% of the schools involved will implement the program; 2) 80% of teachers receive professional development and 3) demonstrate improved student achievement in standard math and science tests after 3 years. Individuals called ‘circuit riders’ will assist, Nancy Cole, Barney Barnes, et al and will serve as mentors to each district. Individuals within each district will receive Saturday training and return to their district to serve as mentors in math and science.

10. Miscellaneous - It was noted that the Partnership should plan a retreat in January to review and plan for the upcoming proposal. Also noted was a Lesson Study Conference, July 26-28, 2002 in Albuquerque. Betsy Yost can be contacted for information regarding a Parent Math course.

11. Next meeting in Santa Fe, Friday, 25 January and should include legislators; location to be determined. Time tentatively set from 1:30 – 4:00 with time to visit legislators in the morning, but open to meeting in the morning and visiting legislators in the afternoon.