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Public Education Commission Meets in Santa Fe on Thursday, December 11, 2008

(Santa Fe, NM)—The Public Education Commission (PEC) will meet at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 11, 2008 at Mabry Hall, Jerry Apodaca Education Building, 300 Don Gaspar, Santa Fe, NM.

Some of the agenda highlights include:

- Recognitions of Advanced Placement Scholars, the New Mexico Teacher of the Year, and the Milken Teacher
- Tentative calendar for 2009 PEC meetings
- An Update of Carl Perkins IV – Year One
- Renewal Consideration for 5 current charter schools
 - Creative Education Preparatory Institute #1 (Albuquerque, NM)
 - Creative Education Preparatory Institute #2 (Albuquerque, NM)
 - Alma D'Arte Charter High (Las Cruces, NM)
 - Cesar Chavez Community School (Albuquerque, NM)
 - Española Military Academy (Española, NM)

For the renewals, the Public Education Department Charter School Division will present a report/analysis for the PEC, renewal schools will have ten minutes to make a comment to the PEC, if they choose to, and then the PEC will discuss and vote on the renewal.

The complete agenda may be viewed at www.ped.state.nm.us or at http://www.ped.state.nm.us/pec/2008_meeting_dates.html

The Open Forum for Public Comment will be held at 9:30 a.m. with four minutes per presenter. Presenters for the Open Forum are asked to sign in with the PEC Administrative Assistant prior to the meeting.

For more details about the meeting, call Beverly Friedman, PIO, at 505-827-6661 or Kathy Ingley, PEC Administrative Assistant, at 505-827-6558.

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