



CONSERVATIVE ALBUQUERQUE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER PEGGY MULLER-ARAGON ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT OF BOARD

***APS BOARD MAKES HISTORY AS ALL 7 SEATS WILL BE HELD BY
WOMEN***



Albuquerque, January 5—Veteran educator Peggy Muller-Aragon will help lead the new Albuquerque School Board after she was elected Vice President tonight. The vote was unanimous.

The newly sworn-in Board members made history as well: all 7 APS Board members are women. Most members are former educators.

Muller-Aragon is joined by two newly elected conservative board members. She plans to

use her leadership role to create a positive agenda for the school district and to provide a better educational experience for students and teachers. She says she wants to put students first and to inspire teachers and families to improve Albuquerque communities.

"Two of three members of the APS Board of Education Executive Committee are Republicans. The Executive Committee creates the agenda, and as such is able to set in motion reforms that will demonstrably put children before adults," said Muller-Aragon. "This committee can ensure that we are guardians of the children, guardians of their money and guardians of their education. An education that does not perpetuate mediocrity, but rather excellence. It is now possible to structurally change education so that adults are compelled to teach to high performance standards because I know our students are more than capable of learning at the highest levels. This board was elected to embrace change, and to head in a direction that will make our schools better for our kids."

The new makeup of the APS Board is indicative of what's happening elsewhere around the state: conservative momentum is growing, and people are hungry for change in their communities. After last month's ABQ City Council runoff election, conservatives on that body now hold a majority for the first time in nearly a decade.