



1525 W. Frye Road
Chandler, Arizona 85224

Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
December 4, 2019
7:00 p.m.

1. Study Sessions - 4:00 pm

1.01 High School Design

Frank Fletcher, Associate Superintendent for Support Services, presented the new high school design in detail, explaining requests from the city of Chandler regarding roadway expansion, lights and gating to property. The football field will have LED lighting.

Natural light and window size were discussed. Several community residents, mostly from the Brooks Ranch HOA, expressed concern about the traffic on Brooks Farm Road and how their neighborhood would take most of the traffic, noise, etc. They requested a public entrance to the school from Mustang Road to relieve some pressure from Brooks Farm Road. It was suggested the block wall on the north and east sides be flipped to the west and south sides; and the wrought iron be placed on the north and east, along with landscaping.

Barb Mozdzen encouraged the community to email additional comments/suggestions to board members or administration.

1.02 Equity Roadmap

Dr. Adama Sallu, Director of Equity and Inclusion; Frank Narducci, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Dr. Wendy Nance, Assistant Superintendent for PK-12 Instructional Services; and Sandy Cooper, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, shared the vision and mission of the Equity program, specifically discussing the Equity Roadmap.

The presentation discussed: 1) What is our "why"? 2) Where are we going? And 3) How will we get there? Equity is to provide a safe and inclusive environment for all; learning is inclusive of the whole child.

Three pathways were identified - Institutional Design; Individual Contribution; and Instructional Practice. CUSD is committed to creating a safe and inclusive environment for all.

2. Public Hearing - 6:30 pm

2.01 Budget Revision #1

Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the changes to the 2019-20 Budget in detail, explaining the budget is built upon student enrollment, miles traveled and capital.

3. Opening Items - 7:00 pm

3.01 Roll Call

Barb Mozdzen, Board President; David Evans, Board Vice President; Karen McGee, Lara Bruner and Lindsay Love, Board Members, were present.

Dr. Camille Casteel, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Frank Fletcher, Associate Superintendent for Support Services; Sandy Cooper, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Dr. Wendy Nance, Assistant Superintendent for PK-12 Educational Services; and Frank Narducci, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education. Terry Locke, Director of Community Relations, was excused.

3.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

4. Routine Business

- 4.01 Approve the Minutes of the November 13, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
Approve the minutes of the November 13, 2019 Regular Board Meeting as presented.
- Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Lara E Bruner.**
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Karen M McGee, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love
- 4.02 Approve Payroll for November 21, 2019 and Current Expenditures
Approve Payroll for November 21, 2019 and Current Expenditures
- Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Lara E Bruner.**
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Karen M McGee, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love
- 4.03 Correspondence
No correspondence presented.

5. Report / Information

- 5.01 Student Body President Report
Austin Morrow, Chandler High School Student Body President, and Hannah Hudson, Casteel High School Student Body President, presented updates on the many events and activities at their respective schools.

6. Consent Agenda

- 6.01 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning
Out of state field trip pre-planning forms for ACP E, CCHS, and CHS were provided. Following Governing Board pre-approval, the Superintendent (designee) will monitor trip arrangements before providing final approval.
- 6.02 Monetary Gifts
Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$106,361.96.
- 6.03 Donations
Requested approval of the items generously donated to Chandler schools totaling \$174,160.
- 6.04 Junior High School Course Catalog 2020-2021
The draft of the 2020-2021 Junior High School Course Catalog and a summary of the recommended additions was presented for approval.
- 6.05 High School Course Catalog 2020-2021
The draft of the 2020-2021 High School Course Catalog and a summary of the recommended additions and deletions was presented for approval.
- 6.06 Student Policy Revisions
Chandler School District recommended revising the following Policies to reflect current practices:
- Policy IKC - Class Rankings / Grade Point Averages
As all high schools recognize the Cum Laude system to honor graduating seniors, the ranking system will only be utilized at the request of a post-secondary educational institution.
 - Policy IKE – Promotion and Retention of Students
This change aligns the students current grade level with their cohort through grades 9 – 12, while credits will be the focus of meeting graduation requirements.

6. Consent Agenda (cont'd)

6.07 Cooperative Contract for Books, Manipulatives, Maps and Globes

Requested Governing Board approval to award contracts to the vendors listed below to provide instructional aids and supplies to District sites as needed.

- Barnes & Noble Kaplan
- Booksource Lakeshore
- Bount to Stay Bound Mackin
- Capstone Mentoring Hands
- Cengage National School Products
- Children's Plus National Science Teachers Association
- Davis Publications Saddleback
- Follett Social Studies School Service
- Gardner's Book Service Superior Text
- Great Minds USBorne
- Gumdrop Walker Book

6.08 Resolution for Application to Receive Advanced State Aid

Pursuant to ARS §15-973.C, a district may petition the Superintendent of Public Instruction for advance payment of State Aid if current obligations are such that apportionments prescribed in ARS § 15-973.B will not be made in a timely manner to meet those obligations and so long as no more than three-fourths of the total State Aid apportionment is received prior to April 15 of the fiscal year. By so doing, the District will reduce the need for registering Warrants and Tax Anticipation Notes, resulting in a savings to the District. Recommended approval of the Resolution petitioning the Superintendent of Public Instruction for advance payment of State Aid.

6.09 FFE For Elementary #32 Cafe Tables

Recommended approval to purchase cafe tables for Elementary #32. The furniture will be similar to District standard furniture and purchased through School Source using the Mohave Contract #18M-SSA-0130.

6.10 Intergovernmental Agreement between Chandler Unified School District and the City of Chandler

The new high school site currently sits on a county island and is not with the jurisdiction of the City of Chandler. Recommended approval of the IGA between the City of Chandler and Chandler Unified School District, which transfers development services from Maricopa County to the City of Chandler.

6.11 Human Resources

Employment, Separation, and Compensation.

Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by Karen M McGee, second by Lindsay A Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozden, David F Evans, Karen M McGee, Lindsay A Love

Abstain: Lara E Bruner

7. Comments - 7:30 pm

7.01 Citizen Comments

A number of parents and community members commented on the pros and cons of the Equity Program, the majority asking that it be canceled immediately and a few sharing examples of the positives of the program. Other comments were directed to the Human Growth and Development program asking that it be reinstated to be taught in school by teachers. The District is piloting this year that the curriculum materials were distributed to parents to teach their own children as they wish.

8. Action Items

8.01 School District Annual Expenditure Budget Revision #1

In accordance with Arizona Statute ARS 15-905E, a school district must revise its budget prior to December 15, 2020. Revision of the 2019-2020 budget is necessary to adjust for ADM and fund balances. The changes reflect the adjustment for ADM and the carryover of unexpended 2018-2019 Maintenance & Operation and Unrestricted Capital Budget.

Adopt the 2019-2020 district annual expenditure budget revision #1.

Motion by David F Evans, second by Karen M McGee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Karen M McGee, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

8.02 Guaranteed Maximum Price for Elementary #32

A request for qualifications (RFQ) was issued to the contracting community for the construction of elementary school #32. McCarthy Building Company was the highest ranked firm and the District negotiated a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) that is acceptable to both parties. McCarthy and the District have agreed to a GMP of \$22,998,855 or \$247 per square foot, which is fair and reasonable in the current market.

Approve McCarthy Building Company to construct elementary #32 for a GMP price of \$22,998,855.

Motion by David F Evans, second by Lindsay A Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Karen M McGee, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

8.03 Construction of Chandler High School Weight Room

The current Chandler High School weight room sits on the ACP-Oakland Campus and the building itself was originally part of Chandler Junior High Campus, which was built around 1953. A request for qualifications (RFQ) was issued and Concord General Contracting was selected as the General Contractor of record. The District negotiated a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) for this project for \$2,139,450, which the District believes is fair and reasonable.

Larry Rother expressed appreciation for the support to Chandler High School and thanked Frank Fletcher and his team for their work to find a workable solution during construction.

Approve Concord General Contracting to construct the Chandler High School weight room project for \$2,139,450.

Motion by David F Evans, second by Lindsay A Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Karen M McGee, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

9. Information Items

9.01 Student Activity, Auxiliary Operations, and Tax Credit Reports

Student Activity (SA), Auxiliary Operations (AUX), and Tax Credit (TC) Reports for the months ending July 2019 through November 2019 were provided.

9.02 Eureka Math 60-day review

Eureka Math resources will be used by Weinberg Gifted Academy Teachers who support mathematics instruction. In accordance with ARS 15-721, the curriculum will be placed on display for the 60-day public review period for comment at the Melinda Romero Instructional Resource Center starting December 5, 2019.

9. Information Items (cont'd)

9.03 Personnel Policy Revisions

Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) has recommended changes to the following policies:

- *Policy GBEA — Staff Ethics*
Language has been altered in Policy GBEA to provide additional clarity pertaining to limitations on staff promoting beliefs/views in political, sectarian/religious, and personal areas of concern
- *Policy GBI — Staff Participation in Political Activities*
Language has been altered for clarity in Policy GBI to add a phrase of description and to eliminate this portion of paragraph A: Employees in their individual capacities may exercise their political liberties on property leased from the school for that purpose.
- *Policy GBEB and GBEB-R — Staff Conduct*
HB 2119 school safety; reporting has enacted a new law, ARS 15-153 regarding crime reporting; policies and procedures; notification; and discipline. This law affects employees in the requirements for reporting serious offenses as defined in this statute. In compliance with the language of the new law, Chandler Unified School District has posted a link to the policy and procedures on the District's website.
- *Policy GCF — Professional Staff Hiring*
- *Policy GDF — Support Staff Hiring*
House Bill 2119 has modified A.R.S. 15-512 pertaining to fingerprinting employees to provide that public entities, including school districts and charter schools may share the results of background investigations, including any records indicating that a current or former employee of a school or school district was disciplined for violating policies pursuant to A.R.S. 15-153.
- *Policy GCFC — Professional Staff Certification and Credentialing Requirements (Fingerprinting Requirements) Exhibit GCFC-E*
- *Policy GDFA — Support Staff Qualifications and Requirements (Fingerprinting Requirements) Exhibit GDFA-E*
Senate Bill 1180 has modified A.R.S. 15-512, pertaining to fingerprinting employees, to include additional information requiring employment candidates to certify on the prescribed notarized forms pertaining to fingerprint requirements whether they are awaiting trial on or have ever been convicted of or admitted in open court or pursuant to a plea agreement committing any of the listed criminal offenses in Arizona or similar offenses in any other jurisdiction, including a charge or conviction that has been vacated, set aside or expunged.
- *NEW Policy GBEFA — Staff Use of Digital Wireless Communications or Electronic Devices While Operating a Motor Vehicle*
House Bill 2318 added statute A.R.S. 28-914, Use of portable wireless communication device while driving; prohibition; civil penalty; state preemption; definitions, which addresses the use of digital portable wireless communications devices and stand-alone electronic devices while operating a motor vehicle. This policy essentially replicates the salient portions of Arizona law and its limitations for school districts and charter schools.

Chandler School District recommends adopting the policies as proposed by ASBA. These changes were presented as Information and approval will be requested at the January 8, 2020 board meeting. Regulations and exhibits do not require board approval.

9.04 School Board Governance and Operations Policy Revision

Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) recommended minor changes to Policy BEDH - Public Participation at Board Meetings regarding speech during public participation. Additional modifications were made to the policy, along with a proposed new regulation.

Chandler School District recommended adopting Policy BEDH and BEDH-R - Public Participation at Board Meetings as presented. This policy and regulation are presented as Information. Approval of the policy will be requested at the January 8, 2020 regular board meeting; regulations do not require approval.

9. Information Items (cont'd)

9.05 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

Board members discussed upcoming events.

9.06 Superintendent Comments

Dr. Casteel reminded that this was the last board meeting for 2019 and wished everyone and the community a very peaceful holiday season. The District Office will be open over the break except for the Holidays, with the exception of December 31st to accept tax credit donations from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. Additionally, Casteel High and Perry High will be open with doughnuts and coffee from 8:00 -11:00 am on the 31st. Donations can also be made online.

Chandler High School varsity football will be playing in the first ever Open Division title game for the state championship at 4:00 pm Saturday at ASU Sun Devil Stadium. Chandler has won three straight 6A titles and their opponent, Saguaro, has six straight mostly 4A championships. This is expected to be quite a marquee game.

9.07 Board Member Recognition / Comments

Lindsay thanked CEA for hosting the Harriet movie event; she and David attended and enjoyed the conversation afterwards. Lindsay also responded to citizen comments, directed to her personally, affirming that her sister is the chair of Planned Parenthood, and she has never made that a secret. She will not recuse herself from voting on Human Growth and Development because Planned Parenthood is not involved with CUSD, so there is no conflict of interest. She wished everyone Happy Holidays!

Lara Bruner thanked PHS for inviting her to the opening of their mindfulness room. It was a great event and the culinary students prepared delicious food. She is looking forward to how kids are accessing the Mindfulness room.

Barb Mozdzen wished everyone Happy Holidays, may they be blessed and peaceful.

10. Adjournment

10.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:31 pm.