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Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
September 22, 2021
7:00 p.m.

1. Executive Session - 5:00 pm

1.01 Adjourn to Executive Session-Legal Advice Superintendent Search

Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session per to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4) discussion or consultation with the Board's attorney regarding the Superintendent Search process and related contract or other matters and possible direction to the Board's attorney regarding contracts that may be the subject of negotiations.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Jason R Olive.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Jason R Olive, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

Not Present at Vote: Joel H Wirth

1.02 Adjourn from Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn from Executive Session.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Jason R Olive.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Jason R Olive, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love, Joel H Wirth

2. Study Session - 6:00 pm

2.01 Proposed 2021-22 Journey 2025 Metrics

Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Accountability, Assessment, Grants and Research reviewed the current AZ Merit status in detail compared to similar districts and the State average. CUSD is outperforming the state in both English Language Arts (ELA) and Math. Admittedly there were some declines because of loss of instruction last year. Chandler's gaps remain constant and highlight areas for continual focus. Dr. Fletcher shared factors affecting test results during COVID-19, including the test had to be in person on paper and some parents did not want to bring their students in for the test. These are variables that the district must work with to improve overall instruction.

Dr. Fletcher presented the proposed 2021-22 Journey 2025 Metrics for discussion. Overall, the targets will remain the same for comparison. The State test AzM2 name changed to Arizona Academic Standard Assessment (AASA).

3. Opening Items - 7:00 pm

3.01 Roll Call

Barb Mozdzen, Board President; Jason Olive, Board Vice President; Lara Bruner and Lindsay Love, Board Members, were present.

3. Opening Items - 7:00 pm (cont'd)

3.01 Roll Call (cont'd)

Frank Narducci, Interim Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Frank Fletcher, Associate Superintendent for Support Services; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Dr. Wendy Nance, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Larry Rother, Senior Executive Director of PK-12 Educational Services and Discipline; Leo Schlueter, Director of Elementary Education; Colleen Flannery, Executive Director for K-12 Technology; Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Accountability, Assessment and Research; Ken James, Executive Director of Administrative Services; Dr. Kym Marshall, Executive Director of Student Personalized Learning; and Terry Locke, Director of Community Relations; were present.

3.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

4. Routine Business

4.01 Approve the Minutes of the September 8, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2021 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Jason R Olive.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Jason R Olive, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love, Joel H Wirth

4.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Payroll for 2021-2022 Year:

Voucher 1011 Payroll 09/09/2021

Accounts Payable for 2021-2022 Year:

Vouchers 3042-3046 09/02/2021 Check# 1800037665-1800037806

Vouchers 3047-3051 09/09/2021 Check# 1800037838-1800037964

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Jason R Olive.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Jason R Olive, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love, Joel H Wirth

4.03 Correspondence

No correspondence presented.

5. Report / Information

5.01 Student Body President Report

Nathan Lam, Student Body President, introduced the Student Government Officers and gave an update of events and activities at Perry High School.

6. Presentation

6.01 Hispanic Heritage Month Presentation

Dr. Adama Sallu, Director of Equity and Inclusion, introduced Mr. Tony Alcalá to present the Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation in English and Spanish.

7. Action Items

7.01 Resolution calling for the naming of the Arizona College Prep Stadium

Interim Superintendent Frank Narducci presented the Resolution calling for the naming of the Arizona College Prep Stadium in honor of Dr. Fred DePrez.

Motion to name the Arizona College Prep Stadium in honor of Dr. Fred DePrez.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Jason R Olive.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Jason R Olive, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love, Joel H Wirth

7. Action Items (cont'd)

7.02 Superintendent Search

Approve the direction given to the Board's legal counsel in the executive session held pursuant to Item 1.01 above.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Jason R Olive.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Jason R Olive, Lindsay A Love, Joel H Wirth

Nay: Lara E Bruner

8. Comments

8.01 Citizen Comments

Terry Locke, Director of Community Relations, summarized 13 comments presented online. They can be accessed in their entirety at <https://www.cusd80.com/Page/115493> .

Kaitlyn Scanlon - Quarantine - student was quarantined in nurses' office for 3 hours before mother was called; explaining how quarantine affects education.

Christine Scanlon - Quarantine - daughter was masked in nurses' office when masks are optional; did not receive a call for 3 hours; daughter's attendance was listed as quarantined even though she was within the 90-day window after testing positive. Why was the procedure not followed?

Kurt Rohrs - Reading Scores - last meeting brought test scores to board's attention; Math are scores low specifically in Title 1 communities. They will not have an equitable chance to succeed. No other higher priority - social emotional needs to give way to basic instruction. All schools should be to 50% by end of year.

Nicole Eidson - Sex Ed - The mandatory training for school counselors and psychologist was touted as radical trauma but changed to racial trauma.

Phil Campbell - Need for Change - world views are in direct conflict; authoritarianism is affecting families.

Ann Adams - Questionnaires of Students - complimented the board for listening to parents and trying; asked them to keep vigilant eye on 3rd party programs; diversity director is paying speaker fees which is not a good use of money. Request money be spent on children in the right places and questionnaires not be presented to children without parent consent.

Brandy Reese - Sex Education - should be teaching kids about bodies like any other body system - don't place a value assessment.

Courtney Erickson - No Consistency or Fairness - Art Masterpiece isn't allowed because of quarantine protocols. Where is the logic when football games are packed. Was called for quarantined student, yet they were still in class. Be fair and stop quarantining healthy children.

Beth Wamsley - Quarantine - Stop quarantining healthy children; surrounding districts are not quarantining. One or two board members are politically motivated, the rest are spineless. There is an army of parents that will stand up. Call the MCPHD's bluff. Teachers are shouldering so much and parents are not allowed to help.

Ruth Jones - Curriculum - Sent pornographic video to district that was shown in high school class. Did receive call from district saying the video was not approved to be shown. District is so caught up in masking, vaccinations, CRT, that they indoctrinate instead of educate. Teach children how to learn, get them excited about learning; help children find passion; don't tell them what to believe; Make changes that put children first.

Jennifer Alvey - Compliment, COVID, Info Request - 1) Complimented the board and administration for working through tough time; 2) Has watched the difference between CUSD vs charter school mitigation strategies and it is very notable what has worked and not; 3) Will be submitting a formal info request regarding lobbyist.

Stephanie Murphy - Discrimination - Disgusted with the protocols enacted; sent emails and received a complacent reply for following MCPHD guidelines. Guidelines are a framework - neighboring districts not doing the way CUSD is.

9. Consent Agenda

- 9.01 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning
Out of state field trip pre-planning form for BHS was provided. Following Governing Board pre-approval, the Superintendent (designee) will monitor trip arrangements before providing final approval. Final trip approval will be determined on a case by case basis and will be contingent upon current health guidelines.
- 9.02 Monetary Gifts
Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$59,019.12.
- 9.03 Donations
Requested approval of the items generously donated to Chandler schools totaling \$28,826.99.
- 9.04 New State Contract
Requested approval to utilize State Contract CTR049764, Emcor Services Arizona for the 2021-2022 school year.
- 9.05 Memorandum of Understanding between Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona and Chandler Unified School District
Recommended approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona (BBBS) and the Chandler Unified School District for the 2021-2022 school year to provide mentoring opportunities for students at San Marcos Elementary School.
- 9.06 Chandler Unified School District and Homebound MOU
Requested approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Child Crisis Arizona formally (Homeward Bound) and the Chandler Unified School District. Child Crisis Arizona is the fiscal agent for the Destination Chandler Diploma program. This is a program that supports students who find themselves in vulnerable situations due to variability in their living circumstances and helps them to stay in school and graduate.
- 9.07 IFB#45-22-22 Fresh Fruit and Vegetables
Requested approval for Peddler's Son to provide fresh fruit and vegetables with grant monies received from Arizona Department of Education. Frye Elementary, San Marcos Elementary, Galveston Elementary, and Hartford Elementary in the amount of \$142,120.33 for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables for the 2021-22 school year.
- 9.08 Resolution for Grade Level Re-Configuration
Chandler Unified School District needs to update the grade configuration update of the old Arizona College Prep-Oakland Campus from grades 6-8 to grades 9-12 since the campus is currently being utilized for additional high school space. The Arizona School Facilities Board and Arizona Department of Education require a Governing Board resolution to update the grade level configuration of a school.
- 9.09 Purchasing Policy Revisions
Requested approval of recommended changes to Policy DJ - Purchasing. House Bill 2210 amended section 15-342, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to school district governing boards by adding that the Governing Board may provide food and beverages at school district events, including official school functions and trainings, as allowed by the Arizona Constitution and policies of the Department of Education.
- 9.10 Human Resources
Employment, Separation, Compensation, Super Q Additional Compensation, and Job Description.

Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Jason R Olive.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Jason R Olive, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love, Joel H Wirth

10. Information Items

10.01 Student Activity Report

Student Activity(SA) Report for the months ending July 2021 through August 2021 was provided for review.

10.02 Private Day Tuition Expenditures for 4th Quarter of the 2020-21 School Year

The list of private day school tuition expenditures for the 4th quarter of the 2020-2021 school year was provided for review.

10.03 Immunization Policy Revisions

Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) recommended changes to the following policy, exhibit, and regulation:

- *JLCB - Immunizations of Students, JLCB-E, and JLCB-R*

House Bill 2898 enacted a new statute, ARS 15-342.05, which prohibits school districts and charter schools from requiring face coverings for students and staff during school hours and on school property and provides that a school district or charter school may not require a student or teacher to receive a vaccine for COVID-19 or to wear a face covering to participate in in-person instruction. Appropriate changes have been made in Policy JLCB and Exhibit JLCB-E has been updated to include the 2021-22 requirements. Chandler has not had Regulation JLCB-R but is adding at this time.

Chandler School District recommended adopting the policy, exhibit and regulation as proposed by ASBA. These changes are presented as Information and approval will be requested at the October 13, 2021 board meeting. Regulations and exhibits do not require board approval.

10.04 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

Board members discussed upcoming events.

10.05 Superintendent Comments

Frank Narducci shared an inspirational story regarding Samantha Derivan of Casteel high. She has been selected to be featured in a display at Times Square in NYC promoting inclusion for students with disabilities. Samantha is a leader at Casteel High School and very involved in Chandler's Unified sports program as a cheerleader. She represents CUSD very well and we are extremely proud of her. Tarwater Elementary has been chosen to have radio contact with the International Space Station. Students will have about 11 minutes to ask questions of the astronauts. Tarwater proved to be a good fit for the Space Station due to the school's dual language program recognizing cultures and languages. We are looking forward to the event and encourage these types of rich educational experiences for our children in CUSD.

The District also received a very nice email today from the Chair of the Global Health Leaders Conference at Johns Hopkins University congratulating ACP senior, So-hani Sandhu, for her virtual presentation this summer. So-hani was one of the only students from Arizona admitted into John Hopkins selective conference this year. She discussed how smallpox was eradicated and lessons that can be learned to aid in overcoming the COVID-19 pandemic. Her presentation is available on YouTube, and she represented herself, ACP High School and Chandler Unified so admirably. The future is bright for this senior.

Mr. Narducci mentioned that this would be the last meeting with Larry Rother. He is leaving CUSD to join Intel's Education Team and continue working with Colleen Flannery through initiatives at Intel. They have a project with Chandler High School to sustainably move students into Future Readiness for the future work force. The framework of this project will be presented after the 1st of the year.

Fall break begins Monday with teachers returning to school on Monday, October 11 and students returning Tuesday, October 12th. The district office and school sites will be open during the break. High schools continue to be busy with competitions and the community is invited to check out schedules on the website, attend a game and show your support for our students and programs.

10.06 Board Member Recognition / Comments

Joel Wirth reminded everyone of the importance of the Override emphasizing this is not a tax increase, just a continuation. This helps to retract and retain certified teachers. He also mentioned that former board member, Bob Rice, was hurt badly in bike accident and asked for prayers for his recovery.

10. Information Items (cont'd)

10.06 Board Member Recognition / Comments (cont'd)

Jason Olive asked if there would be follow-up meetings on ESSER III. Frank Narducci responded that the information provided from the community and staff is being compiled and will be reported in the 2nd quarter.

Secondly, Jason asked when Art Masterpiece volunteers would be allowed back in the classroom. Frank Narducci responded that at this time the Art Masterpiece curriculum is delayed because of the quarantine process, stating that the district doesn't want to put an outside person in an elementary classroom until the numbers come down. Art Masterpiece is a valued part of the curriculum. He is constantly on the phone with the Maricopa County Public Health Department but emphasized that the district is required to follow their direction.

10. Adjournment

10.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.