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Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
June 8, 2022
7:00 p.m.

1. Opening Items - 7:00 pm

1.01 Roll Call

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

Frank Narducci, 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; Leo Schlueter, Director of Elementary Education; 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. Dan Serrano, Director of Student Conduct and Support, and Colleen Flannery, Executive Director for K-12 Technology; were excused.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

1.03 Reflection

Board President Barb Mozdzen provided the Reflection.

2. Routine Business

2.01 Approve the Minutes of the May 11, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2022 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

2.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

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Payroll for 2021-2022 Year:

Voucher 1062 Payroll 05/19/2022

Voucher 1063 Payroll 05/19/2022

Voucher 1064 Payroll 05/26/2022

Voucher 1065 Payroll 06/01/2022

Voucher 1066 Payroll P2 06/01/2022

2. Routine Business (cont'd)

- 2.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers (cont'd)
Accounts Payable for 2021-2022 Year:
Vouchers 3224-3227 05/05/2022 Check# 1800043852-1800044041
Voucher 3228 05/06/2022 Check# 1800044047
Vouchers 3229-3233 05/12/2022 Check# 1800044048-1800044240
Vouchers 3234-3237 05/19/2022 Check# 1800044275-1800044460
Vouchers 3238-3242 05/26/2022 Check# 1800044475-1800044649
Voucher 3243 05/31/2022 Check# 1800044671

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

- 2.03 Correspondence
No correspondence presented.

3. Action

- 3.01 Resolution Calling for the Naming of the Tennis Courts at Hamilton High School
Superintendent Frank Narducci read the Resolution recommending the tennis courts at Hamilton High School be named in honor of Coach Phil Gonzales.

Coach Phil humbly acknowledged the support of all the administrators through his tenure with CUSD and that he was deeply honored for this acknowledgement.

Approve the naming of the tennis courts at Hamilton High School in honor of Phil Gonzales.

Motion by Lara E Bruner, 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. Comments

- 4.01 Citizen Comments
Terry Locke, Director of Community Relations, summarized six comments presented online at <https://www.cusd80.com/Page/117791>.

Kurt Rohrs - Transparency and improving communications - CUSD should be leader for Arizona schools; requested all PD materials, lists of books available, and all budget information be made available to the public

Addison Stevens - AZ Students for Mental Health - BHS Sophomore requested 1) Student Action Board to hear from students and 2) better mental health training for staff and students

Sarah Alexander - Mental Health - Parent and educator requested 1) Student Action Group [National Council by Wellbeing] and 2) ESSER funding used to implement changes for social/emotional learning. Allow students to take part in the process.

Sofia Borczon - Mental Health – BHS Sophomore - Requested Student Action Board and mental health first aid training for students.

Maya Lehti - Mental Health - SJHS 8th grade - Requested Student Action Board and mental health first aid training for students.

Jayden Riecken - Mental Health - BHS Sophomore - Requested Student Action Board, National Council for Student Wellbeing, AZ Students for mental health

Chad Day - Mental Health - Father of student who took his life 2 weeks ago - Expressed his commitment to this fight, admitting he doesn't have all the answers, but wants to help the community

Elle Mramor - Mental Health - Requested Student Action Board and mental health first aid training for students

Riana Alexander - Mental Health - Requested Student Action Board and mental health first aid training for students and requested Board to take action

4. Comments (cont'd)

4.01 Citizen Comments (cont'd)

Henry Arnpriester - LGBT Student Rights - HHS Junior - Asked Board to define equity goals stating LGBTQ students cannot play sports

Lucy Vegener - Mental Health - SJHS 8th grad - Requested Student Action Board and mental health first aid training for students, AZstudentsformentalhealth@gmail.com

Geoff Davis - Initiative to address loss of students via suicide - AZ Peer and Family Coalition; Requested detailed plan next month for how the community can have oversight, National Alliance of Mental Health Superintendent Frank Narducci responded that the District has been working on this topic and already received feedback from students and parents. Forums are being planned in partnership with the City, the community will be involved, and resources are planned to promote Mental Health services in schools, but we need to do a better job communicating.

Constance Lapinjade - Parents & Students - Communication and working together with parents and community needs to improve.

Ann Adams - Parent/School partnership to prevent suicide - Thanked Brenda Vargas and Ken James for meeting with mothers. Acknowledged the District has resources available and suggested aps and better implementation for communication to busy families.

Benoit Lheureux - BJHS Mandarin DLI Implementation - Requested District review the implementation of the DLI Mandarin program at BJHS

Dawn Shim - LGBTQ Student Mental Health - HHS Junior - Requested District invest in mental health services during school hours, increase equity boards and Student Action Boards

Patti Serrano - Student Resource Equity (Mental Health) - Encouraged decision makers to listen, learn and follow students as they know their situation best; and advocated for greater resources and support in a clear and meaningful way.

5. Consent Agenda

5.01 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning

An out of state field trip pre-planning form for CHS 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.

5.02 Monetary Gifts

Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$153,671.72.

5.03 Donations

Requested approval of items generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$18,942.75.

5.04 Dynamic PE ASAP

Dynamic PE ASAP K-12 resources will be used district-wide by teachers who provide K-12 physical education instruction, in conjunction with Open Education Physical Education resources. Having access to both resources provides teachers a balance of traditional physical education activities with activities that reflect a student-centered approach. Total cost for the Dynamic PE ASAP K-12 resources is \$0.

5.05 Open Education Physical Education

OPENPhysEd.org PK-12 resources are available online for teachers to use with Physical Education classes. Teachers can download and print resource materials if desired. Because the materials are web-based, there is no need for student accounts. Teachers will be provided 3 hours of Professional Development to learn how to access, plan with, and use these resources and Dynamic PE ASAP K-12 resources. OPENPhysEd.org PK-12 resources will be used district-wide by teachers who support PK-12 physical education instruction, in conjunction with Dynamic PE ASAP K-12 resources. Total cost for the OPENPhysEd.org PK-12 resources is \$0.

5.06 Resolution to Sign Vouchers between Board Meetings

Requested approval of the Resolution to sign vouchers between board meetings which covers July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

5. Consent Agenda (cont'd)

- 5.07 Maricopa County Garnishment Resolution
Requested approval of the Resolution to continue having Maricopa County process Chandler Unified School District's garnishments for the 2022-23 school year.
- 5.08 National School Lunch Program
Requested approval to participate in the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, Summer Food Service Program, and At-Risk Afterschool Meals component of the Child Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) for the 2022-2023 school year. This is an annual request.
- 5.09 Technology Facility Office Furniture
Requested approval to purchase office furniture for the new Technology Facility at the Perry High School auxiliary building from School Source in the amount of \$542,442.58 including tax, freight and installation utilizing 1GPA contract 19-02PV-10.
- 5.10 Contract – Samson Equipment
Requested approval to purchase weight room equipment and sports flooring for the Basha High School weight room from Samson Equipment utilizing Omnia Partners contract R201103 in the amount of \$228,582.96.
- 5.11 Club CUSD Extracurricular Activities – Supplemental RFP # 12-23-23
Requested approval to award contracts to the vendors to provide enrichment activities at various sites on an as-needed basis as determined by the Director of Community Education for the Club CUSD program. Multiple awards are being made because each vendor provides a different program that allows the District the ability to provide a larger selection of activities for parents to choose from for their students:
- Nerding LLC
 - Play Well Teknologies
 - Reigning Champs League
 - Zenned Yoga
 - Challenge Island Chandler
 - Under the Lights Flag Football
 - Planting Seeds Tutoring & Test Prep
- 5.12 Basha High and Casteel High School Varsity Baseball Bleachers
Recommended approval of Norcon Industries, Inc. on the Mohave contract MESC 17H-NSEQ-0930 for the Basha High and Casteel High School varsity baseball bleachers in the amount of \$294,888.40.
- 5.13 Basha High, Chandler High and Hamilton High School Basketball Shot Clocks
Recommended approval of Norcon Industries, Inc. for the Basha High, Chandler High, and Hamilton High boys and girls basketball shot clocks in the amount of \$56,180.09.
- 5.14 AZCTECC Membership Updates - FY23
The Arizona CTE Curriculum Consortium Intergovernmental Agreement for CTE teacher resources, instructional materials and professional development was presented for approval. The cost to CUSD associated with program membership, maintenance, ongoing development, and necessary revisions is projected not to exceed \$19,332.50 for 2022-2023 school year.
- 5.15 Human Resources
Employment, Separation, and Compensation.

Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by Joel H Wirth, 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

6. Action Items

6.01 2021-2022 Metrics for Journey 2025 Final Report

Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Accountability, Assessment and Research, presented the 2021-2022 Metrics for Journey 2025 for review and discussion during the board retreat, which included finalized scores and expected scores based on previous trend data, for those data elements that did not yet have finalized scores.

Board members discussed what evidenced-based questions could be asked to judge employee satisfaction and how to obtain data without penalizing employees.

Approve the 2021-22 Journey 2025 Metrics with the suspension of Service-Learning hours (4b), suspension of Employer of Choice - likelihood to recommend (8a) and Employer of Choice - proud to work at CUSD (8c), removal of CUSD Pipeline Data - Community Colleges and State Institutions (4l), removal of CUSD Pipeline Data - Community Colleges (4m), and the adjustment to the rubric for Dropout Rate (5a) and Graduation Rate (6a).

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

6.02 Proposed Increase in Breakfast and Lunch Prices for 2022-2023 School Year

The Food and Nutrition Department recommended price increases for the 2022-23 school year because prices have not been increased since the 2019-20 school year due to the participation in the Universal Free Meal programs. The costs associated with the programs have increased significantly due to inflation in both food and labor costs.

Board members asked questions regarding how the inflation has impacted families and Director Jenny Bracamonte stated the Free & Reduced table has not yet been made available but the staff will work with families on a personal level to get as many qualified as possible.

Approve the proposed breakfast price increase of \$0.25 and elementary lunch price increase of \$0.05 to cover increased food and labor costs associated with the school food service program.

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

6.03 First Amendment to IGA with City of Chandler for SRO's School Year 2021-22

The City of Chandler proposed a First Amendment to the original IGA dated May 20, 2021 which revises Section 1a to amend the total amount of assigned officers from seven to eight officers; and also revises Section 2a to amend the amounts for services for school year 2021-22. Projected total cost for the eight SRO's is \$1,115,568 which includes salary and benefits. It is estimated that the Safe Schools Program grant will fund \$687,366 and the District will fund fifty percent of the difference between the grant and actual SRO salary and benefits, which totals \$428,202. This leaves the District a total payment of \$214,101 for FY 2021-22.

Lindsay Love requested a study session in the future regarding the mental health pieces along with the goals of the SRO program and how that fits into the metrics of the Journey 2025 Plan. Dr. Gilbert explained that 2021-22 was the conclusion of year 2 of a three-year grant, but that he would be happy to share information and what is required by the grant. He also offered to meet with Lindsay to hear her concerns for going forward and to be able to provide requested information at the study session.

Approve the First Amendment to IGA with City of Chandler for SRO's School Year 2021-22.

Motion by Jason R Olive, second by Joel H Wirth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

7. Information Items

- 7.01 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning Forms for the 2022-2023 School Year
The 2022-2023 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning Forms were provided for review. They will be returned for final approval at the June 22, 2022 Board meeting.
- 7.02 Student Activity, Auxiliary Operations, and Tax Credit Reports
Student Activity (SA), Auxiliary Operations (AUX), and Tax Credit (TC) Reports for the months ending July 2021 through May 2022 were provided for review.
- 7.03 The Art of Education University FLEX Curriculum
Chandler Unified School District's Curriculum and Instruction team released a Request for Information for Visual Arts curriculum. Through the review process, the Art of Education University was selected for use in the K-12 setting. The total cost for a 5-year subscription for 10 teachers is \$28,566 including tax. In accordance with A.R.S. 15-721 and CUSD Policy IJJ, the Art of Education University FLEX digital curriculum materials will be placed on display for public review at the Melinda Romero Instructional Resource Center for a period of 60-days starting June 9, 2022. In addition, digital access to the curriculum will be placed on the Curriculum webpage at the district website for review and comment. A final recommendation is anticipated at the August 24, 2022 Governing Board meeting.
- 7.04 Lesson Planning for High School Physical Education with Web Resource from Human Kinetics
Chandler Unified School District's Curriculum and Instruction team reviewed teacher materials for high school physical education to complement and enhance other adopted resources. Lesson Planning for High School Physical Education with Web Resource provides teachers with physical education classroom strategies and standards-based lesson plans. The total amount for 35 teachers including shipping, handling, and tax is \$2,227.77.
In accordance with A.R.S. 15-721 and CUSD Policy IJJ, Lesson Planning for High School Physical Education with Web Resource from Human Kinetics will be placed on display for public review at the Melinda Romero Instructional Resource Center for a period of 60-days starting June 9, 2022. In addition, digital access to the resource will be placed on the Curriculum webpage at the district website for review and comment. A final recommendation is anticipated at the August 24, 2022 Board meeting.
- 7.05 iLitELL English Language Development (ELD) Curriculum
On November 10, 2021, The Governing Board approved the Curriculum and Instruction team's recommendation of Savvas' My Perspectives as the 6th grade English Language Arts (ELA) curriculum. Through communication with Savvas, the English Language Development (ELD) resource iLitELL, a new product which aligns to the adopted My Perspectives resource, was identified to meet the needs of the CUSD English Language Learner (ELL) students. The total amount for the print and digital iLitELL resource including shipping, handling, and tax is \$26,763.29.
In accordance with A.R.S. 15-721 and CUSD Policy IJJ, iLitELL from Savvas will be placed on display for public review and comment at the Melinda Romero Instructional Resource Center for a period of 60-days starting June 9, 2022. A final recommendation is anticipated at the August 24, 2022 Board meeting.
- 7.06 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap
Board members discussed upcoming events and activities.
- 7.07 Superintendent Comments
Superintendent Frank Narducci began with accolades:
- Hamilton High's Logan Salomon was selected as the Arizona Gatorade Baseball Player of the Year. This marks the 3rd Hamilton student athlete this school year to be selected (football, volleyball, baseball), and the first school ever in the entire country to do so! This is Hamilton's 5th student athlete to win the award in the span of 4 years.
 - Sawyer Merrill of Auxier Elementary was named the Sun Lakes Rotary Sandy Lundberg Educator of the Year for 2022. This award recognizes and rewards excellence in education as reflected in the school district and the general community.

7. Information Items (cont'd)

7.07 Superintendent Comments (cont'd)

- Congratulations to the Basha Accelerated Middle School Academic Pentathlon team! They finished in 1st place at the National Competition, making them not just back-to-back state champions, but back-to-back National Champions! This was a nail-biter with AMS beating out teams from Plano, Texas and Fairbanks, Alaska by a fraction of a point.
- The US Academic Pentathlon is an organization that sponsors academic competitions for middle schools in math, science, literature, social science, and fine arts. Overall medals are given to the students whose five subject scores add up to the overall highest scores in their GPA weight division. In addition, 38 individual event medals were earned by 19 of the 43 AMS academic pentathlon competitors.
- Chandler High resource teacher, Steve Vaught, was recognized by PayPal for his commitment to excellence working with students as a teacher, mentor, and coach. Coach Vaught was nominated by a parent for his work in the science classroom, as well as on the football field.
- Rice Elementary was awarded a \$20,000 grant from the Kroger Company Foundation to support the dedicated collaboration with the Fry's operating division. In the award letter, Kroger states "we are impressed with the work of the school in the community."
- The Hamilton High baseball team, under the direction of Coach Mike Woods, defeated rival Chandler High, 11-1, to win the 6A state title at Diablo Stadium. It was the Huskies' eight state title since 2003.
- At the International Science and Engineering Fair, Perry High School senior, Joshua Shank, won first place in his category - Robotics and Intelligent Machines. He also won a special award, the Dudley R. Herschbach award, that includes an all-expense-paid trip to the Stockholm International Youth Science Seminar and attendance to the Nobel Prize award ceremony in Sweden.
- CUSD was the #1 district in Arizona to raise money for the American Heart Association. The district raised a total of \$128,435 this year (compared to \$98,086 last year). The next closest district raised around \$80,000. This is a tremendous aspect of community. Thank you to the 17 schools that participated in this fundraising event.
- The United States District Court of the District of Arizona lauded Hamilton High School Social Studies teacher, Brianna Willits, with the "Excellence in Civics Education Award". Brianna puts in countless hours to her department and students and is a great advocate for student success at Hamilton High School.

In closing, this is Mr. Frank Fletchers last board meeting - not sure if he is sad or joyful about that - but Frank started as the purchasing supervisor back in 1993. He worked under three Superintendents and quickly moved through the ranks to Associate Superintendent. Over the years, Frank has helped CUSD through the quickest growth period in the district's history, planning and building 2-3 schools per year with former Superintendent Dr. Casteel. He helped navigate and guide the district through challenging times and his footprint will be felt in the district for a long time to come. Frank always produced, was given impossible tasks, and worked efficiently and effectively to get them done. He is knowledgeable and savvy about contracts and we have depended on his expertise to improve protocols and practices. One of those areas was moving the maintenance work to three shifts as he built efficiency into when buildings can be available and not occupied in order to get work completed, gaining cost savings and work efficiency. Another is his ability to work a contract and timeline so that it was deliverable on time and under budget. Frank, just remember when we call, it will be safe to answer. Thank you for the contributions you have made to Chandler Unified School District. Enjoy retirement with your wonderful family - it is well earned!

7.08 Board Member Recognition / Comments

Jason Olive requested further information about the DLI program at the junior high level. He has known Frank Fletcher a long time, as a vendor on the other side of the table and acknowledged Frank's expertise in contract negotiations. Jason also confirmed that ESSER money could be used on mental health.

7. Information Items (cont'd)

7.08 Board Member Recognition / Comments (cont'd)

Lara Bruner thanked everyone for sharing ideas to enhance CUSD's wellness initiatives. She recognized that it is important for the community to be active in the mental health arena, agreeing with Student Action Boards. Lara has worked with Brenda Vargas, counselors transitioned from academic to supporting the social emotional side, teachers stepped up, staff had trainings, there were workshops for families, mindfulness rooms were created at many schools - yet all of this is not enough. An evidence-based comprehensive plan needs to be created and she looks forward to what the Forum will bring.

Lindsay Love acknowledged the counseling departments and social workers are doing their best, but there is not enough to help all students. She was happy to see students and parents express their position and stated the board needed to get in the fight and be better for students.

Barb Mozdzen stated she would miss Mr. Fletcher, reminiscing of her first encounter with him many years ago at a school with the Art Masterpiece program. He resolved the matter and knew how to get things done.

Frank Fletcher replied that it had been his honor and privilege to serve the present and previous governing boards, along with the administration. He acknowledged the trust put in him is unparalleled across the valley.

Barb then addressed the students in the audience explaining that the district is providing professional development to staff regarding mental health and would like to look into some of the agencies to they have the tools for student-centered training. We do need a better way to communicate to the community and partner with agencies and local cities.

13. Adjournment

13.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.