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Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
April 26, 2023
7:00 p.m.

1. Executive Session - 5:45 pm

1.01 Adjourn to Executive Session-Legal Advice

Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session per A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3), discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney of the public body regarding personnel matters.

Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Kurt D Rohrs.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Kurt D Rohrs

Not Present at Vote: Joel H Wirth, Patti M Serrano

1.02 Adjourn from Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn from Executive Session.

Motion by Patti M Serrano, second by Kurt D Rohrs.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

2. Opening Items - 7:00 pm

2.01 Roll Call

Jason Olive, Board President; Barb Mozdzen, Board Vice President; Kurt Rohrs, and Patti Serrano, Board Members, were present. Joel Wirth, Board Member, joined by phone.

Frank Narducci, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Associate Superintendent of PK-12 Educational Services; Dr. Wendy Nance, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources and Community Services; Colleen Flannery, Chief Technology Officer; Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Assessment, Accountability, and Research; Dr. Jessica Edgar, Executive Director for PK-12 Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Kym Marshall, Executive Director of Student Personalized Learning; Dan Serrano, Executive Director of High Schools; Heather Anguiano, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, East Region; Dr. Jeff Filloon, Executive Director of Human Resources; Ken James, Executive Director of Junior High Schools; Leo Schlueter, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, West Region; Stephanie Ingersoll, Executive Director of Marketing and Communication; and Tom Dunn, Executive Director of Support Services; were present.

2.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

3. Routine Business

- 3.01 Approve the Minutes of the April 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
Motion to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Motion by Patti M Serrano, second by Barb R Mozdzen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

- 3.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Payroll for 2022-2023 Year:

Voucher 1059 Payroll PP 20.1 04/06/2023

Voucher 1060 Payroll PP 21 04/20/2023

Accounts Payable for 2022-2023 Year:

Vouchers 4214-4217 04/06/2023 Check# 1800052925-1800053172

Voucher 4218 04/10/2023 Check# 1800053173

Vouchers 4219-4223 04/13/2023 Check# 1800053174-1800053393

Vouchers 4224-4225 04/14/2023 Check# 1800053394-1800053398

Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Kurt D Rohrs.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

- 3.03 Correspondence
No correspondence presented.

4. Report / Information

- 4.01 Student Body President Report Awards
Ella Choy, Student Body President of Casteel High School, and Kamille Escobar, Student Body President of Chandler High School, gave an update of events and activities at their respective schools.

- 4.02 Superintendent Current Events

Mr. Narducci shared a few things:

- The Chinese Language Teacher Association has named Tarwater Elementary School as a National Distinguished K-12 Chinese Program. Tarwater is one of only 20 programs in the country to earn this designation. Tarwater has offered a dual language immersion program in Mandarin since 2014. The program feeds into Mandarin programs at Bogle Junior High and Hamilton High. Tarwater students experience a 50/50 Dual Language Immersion model in grades K-6, in which students spend half their day with Mandarin classroom instruction and the other half day with English instruction to help students become competitive global citizens. If the public is looking for enrollment information, they can go to cusd80.com/mandarin.
- The CUSD Annual Art Showcase is on display at the Chandler Center for the Arts Gallery through May 11. It is open to the public from 10 am-5 pm Monday - Friday for free and from noon-5 pm on Saturdays. You will be impressed by the student artwork on display, which includes sculptures, ceramics, paintings, drawings, jewelry, and photography. There is truly something for everyone. The awards night is Thursday.
- Basha High School's Cyber Security students finished second in a team event at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's **CyberAero Capture the Flag Competition**. Protecting aircraft against cyberattacks is serious business, and these students are stepping up to the task. Competing teams use "capture the flag like scenarios" to find the flaws of an aircraft security network and try to exploit them.

4. Report / Information (cont'd)

4.02 Superintendent Current Events (cont'd)

- Congratulations to Shandel Roberts, a Gifted Social Studies Teacher for 7th/8th grade in the STEAM Academy at Willis Junior High School. She is one of just two Arizona educators named as a Patricia Behring Teacher of the Year nominee by the non-profit National History Day. The Award, also known as the National History Day Teacher of the Year Award, recognizes teachers who demonstrate a commitment to engaging students in historical learning through the innovative use of primary sources, implementation of active learning strategies to foster historical thinking skills, and participation in the National History Day Contest.
- Mr. Narducci took the opportunity to thank our good friends in the Sun Lakes Rotary Club. They've done so much for our schools, including recognizing teachers of the month, sponsoring the Dictionary Project for elementary schools and more. Most recently, they sponsored the 9th annual 4-way Test Speech contest for our students. The 4-way test relates to the guiding principles of Rotary. 1) Is it the truth? 2) Is it fair to all concerned? 3) Will it build goodwill and better friendships? and 4) Will it be beneficial to all concerned? Sophia Berg of Arizona College Prep won first place and \$500. Joseph Chen of Hamilton High was second and earned \$200. Three runners-up were also rewarded with \$100. Hot off the press is the Chandler Horizon Rotary chose three students today for \$1,000 scholarships through the Basha Gives Back campaign for graduating seniors. The strong relationships we enjoy with all Rotary Clubs are certainly valued.
- This week is AfterSchool Professionals Appreciation Week. In thanks to everyone on our Community Education team for the important role they play in the development and care of children beyond the school day, Mr. Narducci shared a video that was included in the weekly district newsletter.
- Finally, today is Administrative Professionals Day. We are grateful for all our Administrative Assistants, including Donna Nigh. Donna does so much every day to keep the Governing Board and me on track. It's an important job, and this is the perfect occasion to thank Donna publicly.

5. Comments

5.01 Citizen Comments

Jennifer Alvey - Transparency - Accountability and transparency is a must. With reasonable notification, documentation should be available for public review with the exception of items which are protected by law. There should be a written response for records the District deems protected from the public and the policy or legal grounds on which they are withheld.

Samantha Ruiz - Transparency - Teacher trainings, speakers, and topics must be related to academic standards. The public would like the list of teacher trainings and speaker information in advance of inservice trainings.

Brett Wingate - Agenda and Inservice Transparency - Someone has to sign off on teacher trainings and manage the paperwork. Want to ensure that CUSD is open and transparent.

Eloyce Gillespie - Professional Development - Educators have a responsibility and duty to provide world-class education and it's great to hear CUSD provides professional development to teachers. Three areas should be delivered under the umbrella of professional development 1) teacher training; 2) professional learning of teachers; and 3) issues in education. The governing board should be approving any professional development that falls in the example categories of race, gender, class, CRT, religion, and the like and should be aligned with the district vision, mission, goals, and objectives.

Hana Hag and Amelie Alam - Eid Holiday - Eid holiday is the most important holiday in Islam. Requested the District accommodate religious holidays into school calendar so they can be celebrated without penalty.

6. Consent Agenda

6.01 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning

Out of state field trip pre-planning forms for ACP HS, BHS, and CCHS were provided.

6.02 Monetary Gifts

Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$44,623.55.

6. Consent Agenda (cont'd)

- 6.03 Donations
Requested approval of the items generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$6,972.00.
- 6.04 Revisions to Policy GCCF
Contracts are issued in March, so CUSD Administration recommended changes to the notification deadline dates in Policy GCCF - Sabbatical Leave and Regulation GCGC-R Job Sharing in Professional Staff Positions.
- 6.05 All Species Consulting Storylines
Recommended approval for All Species Consulting (ASC) Storylines provides 3-Dimensional learning through phenomena driven storylines for high school biology classes. Storylining is a pedagogical method that increases student's ownership of their learning. Storylines are cyclical in nature, always leading with authentic, real-world phenomena, and revisiting the overarching concepts in different contexts throughout the school year. The scaffolding allows students to transfer their conceptual understanding to new situations. The ASC Storyline resources may be used district-wide by teachers who provide Biology instruction. There were no public comments after the 60-day public review. Recommended approval.
- 6.06 Targeted and Support Improvement Grant
Recommended approval for commitment to implement, monitor, and evaluate strategies and action steps outlined in the Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) grant application at the district level based on nine school sites identified by the ADE in five subgroup areas for improvement.
- 6.07 Chandler High School Roof Design
Recommended approval of DLR Group for Chandler High School roof design.
- 6.08 Human Resources
Employment, Separation, Compensation, Job Description, and Salary Schedules.

Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Kurt D Rohrs.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

7. Action Items

- 7.01 Galveston Elementary GMP#1
The District intends to rebuild Galveston Elementary School on the existing campus. Given the current market condition and in order to procure long lead items, administration requested approval for Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) #1 in order to procure HVAC mechanical equipment, electrical gear, and panels in the amount of \$1,551,811.00, which the District believes to be fair and reasonable.

Approve GMP#1 with McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$1,551,811.00 for Galveston Elementary early procurement items.

Motion by Kurt D Rohrs, second by Patti M Serrano.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

- 7.02 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report 2022
The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Single Audit Reporting Package (SARP) for the year ended June 30, 2022 was presented for approval. Jennifer Shields, HeinfeldMeech presented the Uniform System of Financial Records Compliance Questionnaire (USFR) and Lana Berry presented the Questionnaire findings response. Lana Berry thanked the many people that participate in ensuring the information is correct.

7. Action Items (cont'd)

7.02 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report 2022 (cont'd)

Kurt Rohrs asked for the line item for the reserve funds. Lana Berry and Jennifer Shields explained there is not one line item, but 65 different funds located in different places in the financials. Kurt would like that simplified so the public can understand.

Approve the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and Single Audit Reporting Package for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Motion by Joel H Wirth, second by Patti M Serrano.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

8. Information Items

8.01 Private Day Tuition Expenditures - Q3

The list of private day school tuition expenditures for the 3rd quarter of the 2022-23 school year was provided for review.

8.02 Revisions to Regulation KDB-R Public's Right to Know/Freedom of Information

Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) recommended changes to Regulation KDB-R - Public's Right to Know / Freedom of Information. HB2578 requires any entity subject to a public records request to provide the name, telephone, and email address of an employee or department that is authorized and able to assist the requesting party. This point of contact must be listed on the school or district's website. The law also requires a district or school that receives a request to acknowledge receipt of the request within five (5) business days unless an online portal is utilized in which the acknowledgement should be automatic upon submission.

Chandler School District recommended accepting the revisions as proposed by ASBA and regulations do not require board approval.

Kurt Rohrs suggested CUSD follow the statute and not bills. Dr. Gilbert clarified that the bills provide background information for the statute, but both could be included in the future.

8.03 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

Board members discussed upcoming events and activities.

8.04 Board Member Current Events

Barb Mozdzen complimented Hull Elementary's Art displayed in the board room and thanked the volunteers of the Art Masterpiece program.

Patti Serrano announced details of the Cinco de Mayo celebration in collaboration with CHS Latinex student union, to celebrate the history of art people on May 5th at Chandler Center for the Arts. She also encouraged families to complete the survey regarding possible implementation of early release or late start planning time for all grades by Sunday, April 30th. Thank you to the CTA Independence students who spoke tonight.

Kurt Rohrs attended the EV Mayors Prayer Breakfast at the YMCA which focused on mental health. It seems we are just now understanding the devastation of students being out of school for 2 years. He encouraged kids to go outside and play. He also visited Haley Elementary hosted by Principal Nicole McMillan. In talking with teachers, project-based learning seems to be gaining momentum and application may be the best key to learning. As a member of the Sun Lakes Rotary Club, he attended the speech contest and is amazed at the talent of our students.

Jason Olive attended a security conference this past weekend with many speakers, mostly about an active shooter situations. He did learn most attacks happen after a break; motives are usually grievances and bullying; most plots that get thwarted are exposed by other students. Social media is not good for students!

9. Adjournment

- 9.01 Adjourn the Meeting
Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.