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Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
September 27, 2023
7:00 p.m.

1. Executive Session - 6:00 pm

1.01 Adjourn to Executive Session – Legal Advice

Consider motion to adjourn to executive session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3), discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: Joel H Wirth

2.02 Adjourn from Executive Session
Adjourn from Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session.

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

2. Opening Items - 7:00 pm

2.01 Roll Call

Jason Olive, Board President; Joel Wirth, Kurt Rohrs, and Patti Serrano, Board Members, were present. Barb Mozdzen, Board Vice President was not in attendance.

Frank Narducci, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Wendy Nance, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources and Community Services; 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; 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; were present.

Tom Dunn, Executive Director Support Services, was not in attendance.

2.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

3. Routine Business

3.01 Approve the Minutes of the September 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

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

Motion Carries

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

3. Routine Business (cont'd)

3.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Request approval and ratification of the following Payroll and Accounts Payable voucher:

Payroll for 2023-2024 Year:

Voucher 1019 Payroll 09/21/2023

Accounts Payable for 2023-2024 Year:

Vouchers 5044-5048 09/07/2023 Check# 1800057457-1800057614

Vouchers 5049-5054 09/14/2023 Check# 1800057615-1800057829

Voucher 5055 09/15/2023 Check# 1800057830

Motion to approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers.

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

3.03 Correspondence

President Olive shared correspondence from ASBA with Information on Maricopa County Meeting and County Director Election.

4. Report / Information

4.01 Student Body President Report

Ava Gilbert, Student Body President, introduced Basha High School STUGO officers and gave an update on events and activities at Basha High School.

5. Presentation

5.01 College Board Scholarship Winner

One of our students at HHS received a \$40K scholarship from the College Board's Big Future contest.

6. Comments

6.01 Superintendent Current Events

President Olive, Board members...this is the last meeting before Fall Break so I will keep brief but we do have much to celebrate.

Today we broke ground on the rebuild project of Galveston Elementary. Many of you were there. The Galveston community is a central part of the City of Chandler, and we look forward to this state of the art 21st century school continuing to anchor that amazing neighborhood. The exceptional staff and engaged families and students make Galveston what it is, and we are excited to see all the success you continue to create within the walls of the new school.

69 CUSD students are National Merit Semifinalists! This is an incredible honor, and we are so proud of all our students. Semifinalists are the highest-scoring entrants for the National Merit Scholarship in each state. More than 16,000 of the high scorers, representing less than 1% of the nation's high school graduating seniors, will qualify as Semifinalists.

Only Semifinalists will have an opportunity to advance in the competition for Merit Scholarship® awards.

Varsity offensive lineman of the Chandler High Wolves Mateo Rodriguez was honored at the recent Cardinals game. Mateo is a nominee for the National Hispanic Heritage Foundation Youth Award.

The Secondary Dance Festival is happening tonight at the Chandler Center for the Arts. We have so many talented performers.

Be on the lookout for highlights of this event. We will share them on social media.

More than 100 attendees took part in our recent district wide college fair. Thank you to all who attended.

6. Comments

6.01 Superintendent Current Events (cont'd)

and participated. This event is a great example of how CUSD prepares students for the 4 Es: Enrollment, Enlistment, Employment, and or Entrepreneurship.

Finally, just a quick note that with it being fall break, we are still here for our students and families if need be. We understand this can be a tough time for some without the stability of school and class. If you need to call or reach out, we have many resources and hotlines on our counseling and social services web page. We are a family! School resumes on Tuesday, October 17th. Our District Offices and secondary schools will be open to the public during the fall break. Elementary school offices will be open the first week of break.

leadership and Chandler Chamber were in attendance. This was the first time in several years that we hosted such a meeting. Not all school districts have such strong partnerships as we do with the city, and we are proud of that fact. As one councilmember stated, big strides are made when we collaborate.

Arizona State Treasurer Kimberly Yee visited San Marcos Elementary to promote financial literacy. Students took part in a STEM activity designed to get them thinking about their dream jobs and what it would take to achieve their goal. The Treasurer's visit also tied into the launch of her statewide essay contest where students in fifth and sixth grade could win \$529 towards their future education and career goals! Entries will be accepted through October 1, 2023.

Alex Randel, assistant principal and athletic director at Andersen Junior High School was just named the AIAAA Middle School Athletic Director of the Year. This is a wonderful achievement, and we are so proud of Alex and his contributions to CUSD and athletics. In addition, Jennifer Burkes, Perry High School Athletic Director and Shawn Rustad our District Athletic Director were recognized for 20 years of outstanding service! Congratulations!

Arizona Cardinals Football Club Selected Chandler High Football Coach Rick Garretson as this week's High School Coach of the Week. Congratulations, Coach Garretson! If you did not know, last Friday the CHS Wolves upset nationally ranked Orange Lutheran a California school with a win 35-10. Our student athletes performed at every level and Coaching was absolutely amazing.

Mr. Narducci recognized Kevin Chapin, Dean/AP of Bogle Junior HS Kevin with what we call the "...and then some" honor. A few weeks ago, there was an emergency call at a wrestling match. In that moment of emergency, Mr. Chapin provided rapid, efficient, and cohesive action and communication, which are the most vital components of a successful response. Mr. Chapin, you were coach, administrator, and then some and we are so grateful and thankful to have you on team CUSD! Because of your efforts our student athlete was able to get quick and efficient medical attention. Your actions were recognized by those responders.

6.02 Citizen Comments

Brett Wingate - Saxon Math - diversify curriculum - this did not happen. he pulled his kids. Now happening again with Saxon math. Saxon math will be at other places. It's up to you. It's a real choice.
Zeyna Pryzhanovsky - DLI and PTO Contributions - PTO has put together fundraiser for shade structures and other amenities, some schools do not have that ability. All students deserve to have a shaded playground. She appreciates languages offered in CUSD especially DLI. Thank you for supporting critical learning areas including Math.

Steve Black - Math - Chandler should keep the curriculum. Math is just math.

Anne Adams - ARS 15-779 - Financial Math taught her son real life skills. Saxon math, legally, parents of gifted children are looking to provide a legal notice. Gifted students should be provided a math program.

Mr Narducci stated that Gifted programs do not use Saxon Math. Gifted uses Eureka Math.

Victor Hardy - Congregational Church of the Valley - offered prayer to educators.

Robin Gellman - Special Ed student at CCHS - rare medical condition. Teacher brought in donuts first day of school, since then teacher also has brought in pizza in the classroom. This is life threatening for her child.

Darin Hookom - Community Involvement - Feb. 2021 reported crime - school did nothing.

Robin Markunas - Saxon Math - communication Saxon math will continue through HMH 2035. why

change this program?

Tracy Ireland - Saxon Math- on behalf of families that cannot attend. Wants Saxon Math back.

7. Consent Agenda

7.01 Out of State Student Travel PrePlanning

Out of state field trip pre-planning forms for CCHS, CHS and HHS are provided. Following Governing Board pre-approval, the Superintendent (designee) will monitor trip arrangements before providing final approval. The Governing Board will receive a summary of final travel arrangements quarterly.

7.02 Monetary Gifts

Request approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$37,945.51.

7.03 Amendment to IGA with Maricopa County Community College District and CUSD for Dual Enrollment

Recommend approval of the first amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Maricopa County Community College District and Chandler Unified School District, which was first approved by the Governing Board on July 12, 2023. The amendment establishes: best practice and professional development requirements for Dual Enrollment instructors; College will provide an online teaching workshop to eligible Dual Enrollment instructors free of charge; and College will provide a \$500 one-time stipend to participants via payment to the School District.

Except as provided in the Amendment, all other provisions of the Agreement remain the same.

Recommend approval of the first amendment to the IGA between Maricopa County Community College District and Chandler Unified School District.

7.04 Donations

Request approval of the items generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$665.00.

7.05 Mohave Contract 23D-AZBC-0905

The Governing Board approved Mohave Contract 18F-CSBS-0904 for School and Municipal Buses: Sales, Service, Repair, and Parts awarded to Canyon State Bus Sales with estimated expenditures of \$16,000,000.00 on June 28, 2023. Mohave awarded a new solicitation for School and Municipal Buses: Sales, Service, Repair, and Parts on September 5, 2023. The District is requesting Board Approval to utilize the new contract 23D-CSBS-0905 in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year since 18F-CSBS-0904 contract has expired.

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7.07 Mohave Contract 23D-RWC-0905

The Governing Board approved Mohave Contract 18F-RWC-0904 for School and Municipal Buses: Sales, Service, Repair, and Parts awarded to RWC Group with estimated expenditures of \$500,000.00 on June 28, 2023. Mohave awarded a new solicitation for School and Municipal Buses: Sales, Service, Repair, and Parts on September 5, 2023. The District is requesting Board Approval to utilize the new contract 23D-RWC-0905 in the amount of \$850,000.00 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year since 18F-RWC-0904 contract has expired. Transportation will be utilizing contract 23D-RWC-0905 to purchase one dry box truck for the District Warehouse and one reefer truck for the Food and Nutrition Department.

7.08 Approve the Removal of Previously Adopted Curriculum Resources

Chandler Unified School District uses resources aligned to the Arizona State Standards in order to meet the diverse learning needs of students. The supplementary, website, applications, and software lists for all grades and content areas for the 2023-2024 school year was approved by the Board on July 12, 2023.

7. Consent Agenda (cont'd)

- 7.09 Proposed Student Calendars for School Years 2024-2029 (5 years)
Recommend approval of the school calendars for SY25, SY26, SY27, SY28, and SY29. Additional information is provided in the attached memo as well as copies of the proposed school calendars.
- 7.10 Human Resources
Employment, Separation, Compensation, and Job Description.

Approve the consent agenda as presented.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

8. Action Items

- 8.01 Galveston Elementary GMP #3
The District intends to rebuild Galveston Elementary School. The replacement school will be approximately 72,000 square feet with a capacity for 750 students.

Request for qualifications (RFQ) # 150-23-23 was issued and McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. was selected as the general contractor of record.

The design and construction documents are complete, and we have finalized the remainder of the scope for the replacement school in the amount of \$21,355,714.00.

These divisions include:

Finish carpentry	Glass and glazing
Drywall/Paint package	Roofing
Plumbing	HVAC
Electrical	Fire alarm
Fire sprinkler	Site concrete
Landscape and irrigation	

Recommend approval of GMP#3 with McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$21,355,714.00 for Galveston Elementary.

Mr. Rohrs asked if this was the last GMP? yes

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Abstain: Kurt D Rohrs

- 8.02 Casteel High School – Turf Field Conversion
The District seeks to convert our high school stadium fields to synthetic turf over the course of (2) phases. Casteel High School will be part of Phase (1) and pending Governing Board approval construction will begin in December 2023.

Scope of work will include:

- Removal of natural turf
- Installation of synthetic turf, cooling infill, and shock pad
- Storm drain system

Request for qualifications (RFQ) # 123-23-23 was issued and CORE Construction was selected as the general contractor of record.

8. Action Items

8.02 Casteel High School – Turf Field Conversion (cont'd)

The District has negotiated a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) for Casteel High School plus the purchase of all Phase (2) turf in the amount of \$4,069,469.00 which the District believes is fair and reasonable given current market conditions.

Recommend approval of CORE Construction for turf conversion at Casteel High School and the purchase of all Phase (2) turf in the amount of \$4,069,469.

Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, 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

8.03 To Consider and, If Deemed Advisable, Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Tax Anticipation Notes on Behalf of the District

Tax Anticipation Notes are used to cover operating deficits created by uneven property tax collections and state aid receipts.

During the first half of each fiscal year the District incurs expenses, including payroll and insurance trust payments, which can exceed available revenue. When this occurs, the District experiences temporary operating or cash flow deficits. Tax Anticipation Notes are used to cover these deficits until sufficient property tax and state aid revenue is received by the District. The fiscal impact to the District is dependent upon the amount of Tax Anticipation Notes issued and the interest rate at time of issuance.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Board adopt a Resolution authorizing the sale of Tax Anticipation Notes in an amount not to exceed \$15 million.

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the sale of Tax Anticipation Notes in an amount not to exceed \$15 million.

Motion by Joel H Wirth, 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

8.04 Professional/Support Staff Bereavement Leave Policy Revision

Chandler School District recommends updating Policy GCCH (c) - Professional/Support Staff Bereavement Leave to ensure we are in compliance with Policy GCCA.

Recommend approval of Policy GCCH (c) - Professional/Support Staff Bereavement Leave.

Link to: Policy GCCH (c) - Professional/Support Staff Bereavement Leave

Recommend approval for Policy GCCH (c) - Professional/Support Staff Bereavement Leave

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

8.04 Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Accrued Sick Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program Policy Revisions)

Chandler School District recommends updating Policy GCCG - Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Accrued Sick Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program, Exhibits GCCG-EA, GCCG-EB, GCCG-EC, and GCCG-ED. The update will replace the word "sick" leave with "Paid Time Off" leave to ensure we are in compliance with Policy GCCA.

Recommend approval of Policy GCCG - Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Accrued Sick

8. Action Items (cont'd)

8.04 Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Accrual Sick Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program Policy Revisions (cont'd)

Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program. Exhibits do not require board approval:

Link to:

Policy GCCG - Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Accrued Paid Time Off (Medical Leave Assistance Program)

GCCG-EA Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Paid Time Off Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program) Informational Notice

GCCG-EB Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Paid Time Off Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program) Verification of Serious Medical Condition

GCCG-EC Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Paid Time Off Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program) Paid Time Off Donation Form

GCCG-ED Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Accrued Paid Time Off Leave (Medical Assistance Program) Request

Ms. Mozdzen commented - good policy to have, allows employees to donate PTO employees who do not have it.

Recommend approval of Policy GCCG - Professional/Support Staff Voluntary Transfer of Accrued Sick Leave (Medical Leave Assistance Program.

Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, 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

8.04 Approval of Hearing Officer's Recommendation to Expel Student 2023-0927

Consider Hearing Officer's recommendation to expel Student 2023-0927.

Consider Hearing Officer's recommendation to expel Student 2023-0927.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Abstain: Joel H Wirth

9. Information Items

9.01 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

9.02 Board Member Current Events

Kurt Rohrs - Attended CCGC 30th yr. celebration, new AI program sponsored by Intel. Semiconductor program also sponsored by Intel, also available at CGCC. Students can take course at CGCC and then go into Intel's internal training program. Property Tax info in the mail. Thank you to the community.

Patti Serrano - Busy with events - Contigo Chandler events, activities for all from 3 yr old to adulthood. thank you to CUSD students that participated including the Ballet Folklorico dancers. Congratulations to Camille Baker, ACP student was selected to serve as a Page in the US Senate over the summer and Markayla Shirley, CHS, recognized as student of the Month by the AZ State Board. Reminder, there are two days left to register for the Holiday Assistance program at Chandler Care Center. Have a Safe and Healthy Fall Break.

Barb Mozdzen- attended Galveston groundbreaking it was a great to see all the student and community. It was a great little event. It was kind of warm. Shout out to Art Masterpiece and Food & Nutrition bulletin boards!

10. Adjournment

10.01 Adjourn the Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Board President