



Phoenix Elementary School District No. 1

*Regular Board Meeting – March 12, 2009*

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston presided over the PESD #1 Governing Board Meeting in the Phoenix Elementary School District Governing Board Room.

Other Board members present at the meeting were:

Mr. Doug Allsworth    Ms. Susan Bliss                      Ms. Liz Meza                      Dr. Louisa Stark

*Also present were:*

Ms. Myriam Roa Chief Executive Officer	Mr. Tom Lind Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction	Mr. Kenneth Baca Assistant Superintendent for Business Services
Mr. Randy Dickason Executive Director for Human Resources	Ms. Eleanor Moyza Board Secretary	

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**A. Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Myriam Roa

**B. Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Ratification of Payroll \$2,210,683.81 and Expense Vouchers \$4,092,038.74 in the Total Amount of \$6,302,722.55
2. Request for Approval of Financial Reports for Student Activity Funds
3. Request for Approval of Out of District Field Trips
4. Request for Approval of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Classified Staff and Employee Contract Adjustments for the 2008-2009 School Year
5. Request for Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of the Consent Agenda and Ms. Meza seconded the motion.  
The Board approved the motion and the Consent Agenda was passed.*

**C. Community Communications**

None

**D. Chief Executive Officer's Report**

1. Awards and Recognitions
2. Announcements  
None

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**E. Business Services – Kenneth Baca, Assistant Superintendent**

1. Request for Approval for Issuance of Purchase Order to Pueblo Mechanical & Controls, (PESD RFP #003-0506, Board Renewal 06/12/08) for Purchase and Installation of (1 ea.) 3 Ton Rheem Heat Pump, (2 ea.) 5 Ton Straight Cook, (2 ea.) 4 Ton Gas Pack A/C Units, and (1 ea.) 5 Ton Gas Pack A/C Unit

Mr. Baca stated that the units will assist Whittier School and Lowell School maintain and be able to run their HVAC Systems at their school sites. For Whittier, it's the heat pump and straight cooler and for Lowell it's the gas packs. Dr. Marston asked Mr. Baca if these are distributed throughout the schools in some way, because the Board just approved a bunch of them. Mr. Baca stated that these are items that they didn't anticipate going out and they are going to need these items in anticipation of the summer months coming, so they're not extras to maintain, upgrade or improve; they're actually replacements in order to have the systems running. Dr. Marston asked if these are for schools that have several wings and asked if that's why there are multiple units and Mr. Baca replied that they're individual units and because of that, each school doesn't have just one single unit; they're multiple units that need to be replaced as they become inoperable.

Ms. Bliss asked how old the systems are, and Mr. Michael Fisher responded that the units are approximately 15 to 18 years old.

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item E1 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion and Item E1 was passed.*

2. Request for Approval for Issuance of Purchase Order to Dave Bang Associates, Inc. for moving and reinstalling playground equipment including concrete curbing around equipment, and a drain line for drainage at Bethune School

Mr. Baca stated that Item E2 is actually Ratification of the overflow parking for Bethune School. Dr. Marston stated that they had approved the new paving in January and in order to pave, they had to move the playground equipment, but they did approve the paving. Dr. Stark stated that the parking at Bethune is really, really poor, there's just not enough parking, and it's very badly-configured.

Dr. Marston stated that she has asked Staff to continue the hunt for additional property adjacent to Bethune School because they know that eventually, that's going to be a developing area down there and this will be the time to buy the property. Mr. Baca stated that they did contact the realtor that would have information. Mr. Fisher stated that he was in contact with Mr. Jack E. Berry about 6-8 months ago inquiring about the property over there and at that time, the gentlemen that Mr. Berry was dealing with, didn't want to part with the property. Mr. Fisher stated that he would contact him again to see if there's still property available in that area.

*Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Item E2 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion and Item E2 was passed.*

**F. Curriculum & Instruction – Tom Lind, Interim Assistant Superintendent**

1. Receive and Discuss District Benchmark Data

Mr. Lind stated that over time they have really improved in their utilization of the Benchmark Data and he acknowledged that Ms. Kathi Marston, the Assessment Coordinator is in the audience this evening and her team, our Testing Technician and they facilitate the administration of the Galileo Benchmark Process and they have the cooperation of the NCLB Data Technicians in preparing that information. He stated that in addition, the Assessment Office helps to process the data and get it ready for our Star Data Team Meetings that are held a week or two following the Benchmark

Assessment. Mr. Lind stated that CADRE is now called Star (**S**tudent **T**eachers **A**chieve **R**esults) but it's basically the same thing.

Mr. Lind stated that they continually work with their data to make sure it's an accurate reflection of what's in SASI and what's in Galileo. If there are students who are new to the District or who withdraw from the District, that information is manually put into Galileo so that they can have a place to take an assessment. Mr. Lind explained that continuously-enrolled students that are with the District the entire school year; from the first 10 days onward. To clarify this, Ms. Roa stated that if a student was to enter the school district on Day Eleven, that student would not be classified as a continuously-enrolled student. If a student leaves the school district before the end of the school year, that student would not be classified as a continuously-enrolled student, and Mr. Lind stated that these facts are correct. Mr. Lind stated that 83% of our students are continuously-enrolled and that the total number of students who are continuously-enrolled is 4,971 and this number is reflected in 2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**G. Human Resources – Randy Dickason, Executive Director**

1. None

**H. Board Reports and Requests**

1. Board Direction to the Chief Executive Officer (if necessary)

None

2. Board Report

None

**I. Adjournment**

The Board Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dr. Ruth Ann Marston  
Board President

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