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

(absent)

Also present were:

Ms. Myriam Roa  Mr. Tom Lind  Mr. Kenneth Baca
Superintendent  Assistant Superintendent  Assistant Superintendent
for Curriculum and Instruction  for Business Services

Mr. Randy Dickason  Ms. Eleanor Moyza
Executive Director for  Board Secretary
Human Resources

A. Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.
1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Tom Lind

B. Approval of Consent Agenda
1. Approval of Minutes: June 11, 2009
          June 17, 2009
          July 7, 2009
2. Ratification of Payroll $1,765,417.58 and Expense Vouchers $2,007,919.62 in the Total Amount of $3,773,337.20
3. Request for Approval of Gifts and Donations
4. Request to Approve Out of District Field Trips
5. Request to Approve Out of State Travel
6. Request for Approval of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Classified Staff and Employee Contract Adjustments
7. Request for Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements
8. Request for Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absence for the 2009-2010 School Year
9. Request for Approval of Tom Lind as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Ms. Meza moved for approval of the Consent Agenda and Mr. Allsworth seconded the motion. Ms. Meza gave recognition to Mr. Tom Lind for completing all the requirements for his Superintendent’s Certificate. The board approved the motion (4-0) and the Consent Agenda was passed.

C. Community Communications

None
D. Superintendent’s Report
1. Awards and Recognitions
   Mr. Roa introduced three new school principals: Ms. Alexandria Harris/Shaw School; Ms. Melody Herne/Whittier School and Mr. Ed Flores/Kenilworth School. Each of them thanked the board and the Superintendent for the opportunity to serve as school principals and expressed their excitement and happiness in their new positions.

2. Announcements
   Ms. Roa announced that the tax rate for 2009-2010 is going to be significantly lower this year and stated that this information will be sent out to our communities to celebrate that.
   Mr. Baca gave the specifics on the tax rate and stated that the reason for the dramatic decrease from 3.9167 % down to 1.9799 % is a result of the District not receiving money from the state for excess utilities, but at the same time we did not increase the Adjacent Ways Fund and we decreased the budget capacity.
   Dr. Marston requested that the tax rate information be sent out to the community in a separate notification from the Override Information that will be sent out.

E. Business Services – Kenneth Baca, Assistant Superintendent
1. Request for Approval of the Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the Arizona Purchasing (AZP), Cooperative Purchasing Agreement by and through Yuma Union High School District No. 70 (YUHSD) and Yuma Educational Purchasing Association (YEPA) and the School Districts Listed in Exhibit A The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) and Mary C. O’Brian Accommodation (MCOB)

   Mr. Allsworth moved for approval of Item E1 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion (4-0) and Item E1 was passed.

2. Request for Approval to Award Invitation for Bid #003-0910 for Removal and Installation of Cooling Tower at Magnet Traditional School
   Mr. Baca stated that this funding will be out of the Bond money which is part of the District’s Energy Management System. Mr. Allsworth moved for approval of Item E2 and Ms. Meza seconded the motion. Mr. Allsworth asked if the District has bought equipment from Interstate Mechanical in the past and Michael Fisher stated that this company was used before he, himself started working in the District and stated that a background check was conducted and references were checked with good results. The board approved the motion (4-0) and Item E2 was passed.

3. Request for Approval for Issuance of Purchase Order to Sunland Asphalt (TCPN #MO866 awarded February 2008) for Construction of an Additional Exit at Garfield School
   Mr. Allsworth moved approval of Item E3 and Ms. Meza seconded the motion. The board approved the motion (4-0) and Item E3 was passed.

F. Curriculum & Instruction – Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent
1. Request for Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Phoenix and District for Phoenix Afterschool Center (PAC)
   Dr. Stark moved for approval and Mr. Allsworth seconded the motion. Dr. Stark stated that she thinks it’s wonderful that we have a PAC Program and that she attended almost every budget hearing that the City Council had and she can tell us the number of parents from all over the city who were in despair over their PAC Programs being cancelled because of budget considerations, and further stated that it’s wonderful that we’re going to have this at Kenilworth School.

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Mr. Ed Flores, Kenilworth School Principal stated that there are approximately 40 students in the PAC Room and that the program is based on four 10-week sessions and they established this program to help out the kids and families that are in need. Mr. Flores stated that he’s witnessed the program during the short time that he’s been there and stated that it is outstanding and they have really proven to him that they really take it upon themselves to provide a quality outlet for kids and a quality program for care for families. He also stated that they are also currently working with not only PAC but also with PEER to make it more effective, more engaging and to make it more enriching for our kids.

*The board approved the motion (4-0) and Item F1 was passed.*

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

Request for Approval of Employment of Assistant Principal at Heard School for the 2009-2010 School Year

*Mr. Allsworth moved for approval of Agenda Item G1 and Ms. Meza seconded the motion. The board approved the motion (4-0) and Item G1 was passed.*

H. **Board Reports and Requests**

1. Request to Appoint Phoenix Elementary School District Governing Board Member to UPS Phoenix School Council

Dr. Marston stated that this representative should probably be elected either at their organizational meeting when they elect the board president on an annual basis or at the following meeting, whichever is the pleasure of the board and she requested that this be put in the motion. Mr. Allsworth volunteered and stated that he would be happy to do it. *Dr. Stark moved that Mr. Allsworth be appointed to serve as our representative on the University Public Schools Phoenix Council until the board meets for the Board Reorganizational Meeting. Ms. Meza seconded the motion and Mr. Allsworth accepted the terms of the appointment.*

*The board approved the motion (3-0) and the motion was passed.*

2. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)

3. Board Report

Dr. Marston stated to Ms. Roa that she likes the report that we got on H1N1 and commended Ms. Roa for doing a really good job of keeping the board up-to-date. She stated that the best article she’s seen so far is online for Time Magazine for August 6th.

Dr. Marston also asked for an agenda item for the next meeting enabling the Superintendent or her designee, should she be out with the flu, to make whatever emergency decisions need to be made on this issue.

The board meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully,

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston
Board President

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