



Phoenix Elementary School District No. 1

Governing Board Meeting
November 12, 2009

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston presided over the PESD #1 Governing Board Meeting in the Phoenix Elementary School District #1 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 Superintendent	Mr. Tom Lind Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction	Mr. Kenneth Baca Assistant Superintendent for Business Services
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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 – Rosanna Hidalgo
3. Receive and Discuss the Governing Board Meeting Calendar for 2010

(Section D, C and B was discussed out of the order of discussion)

D. Superintendent’s Report

1. Awards and Recognitions

Ms. Roa gave recognition to Marco and Kaye Rodriguez (Mr. Rodriguez could not attend) for their active participation in their children’s education. They have 7 children of their own and 8 years ago Kaye adopted her brother’s three children when he passed away. Six months ago, Kaye and her husband became kinship guardians of another brother’s four children, and another child who is four years old has now joined the family. They are now raising 15 children ranging in age from 24 years to 4 years, and they are very involved in the education of all the children living in their home and they are members of our Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee. The children are attending Kenilworth, Whittier and North High School and they are at school on time every single day.

Ms. Roa gave recognition to Ms. Debbie Ortiz, Director of Language and Literacy for her outstanding support in obtaining donations for a refugee family from Heard School who is experiencing a tragic loss and hardship.

Ms. Roa also recognized Dr. Teresa Covarrubias, who is Principal at Garfield School and Ms. Rosanna Hidalgo, Principal at Lowell School for being selected for Rodel’s Exemplary Principal Initiative.

Ms. Roa gave recognition to Mrs. Shannon Allsworth, wife of Mr. Doug Allsworth, one of our Board Members, for her hard work as Elections Coordinator. Shannon handled it all very smoothly and professionally.

2. Announcements

C. Community Communications

Ms. Ginger Baron, Media Specialist at Lowell School spoke to the Board about employee salaries and asked why language regarding employees' salaries can't also state "possible increases" instead in addition to "possible decreases".

Ms. Rosalinda Ramirez, PECTA President spoke to the Board about Board Policy

Mr. Owen Sullivan, of Heard School spoke to the Board about Board Policy

B. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Minutes: September 24, 2009
 October 8, 2009

2. Ratification of Payroll \$4,728,669.98 and Expense Vouchers \$2,727,374.97 in the Total Amount of \$7,456,044.95

3. Request for Approval of Gifts and Donations

4. Request to Approve Out of District Field Trip

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

Mr. Allsworth moved for approval of the Consent Agenda and Ms. Bliss seconded the motion. The board approved the motion and the Consent Agenda was passed.

E. Business Services – Kenneth Baca, Assistant Superintendent

1. None

F. Curriculum & Instruction – Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request for Award of Request for Proposal #005-0910 for After-School Martial Arts Program

Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Item F1 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion and Item F1 was passed.

2. Request for Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona State University College of Teacher Education and Leadership for the Student Teacher Program

Ms. Bliss moved for approval of item F2 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion and Item F2 was passed.

3. Request for Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with the National Center for Urban School Transformation (NCUST) affiliated with San Diego State University to Provide a Professional Learning Community for Principal Leadership

Mr. Allsworth moved for approval of Item F3 and Ms. Bliss seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion and Item F3 was passed.

4. Request for Approval of Agreement with Booker T. Washington Head Start for Preschool Services

Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Item F4 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion and Item F4 was passed.

G. Human Resources – Randy Dickason, Executive Director

1. None

H. Board Reports and Requests

1. Update on University Public School Phoenix (UPSP)
The Phoenix Community Alliance invited everyone, including the public to attend A New Vision for Learning Event on November 19th at 4:00 pm at University Public Schools, in affiliation with Arizona State University in partnership with Phoenix Elementary School District #1. The introduction will be done by our partners, the Phoenix Community Alliance and there will be guided tours by the students so the event will be student-centered.
2. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)
3. Board Report

I. Adjournment

The board meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston
Governing Board President

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