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  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 Human Resources  Board Secretary

A. Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.
   1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
   2. Pledge of Allegiance – Randy Dickason
   3. Adjourn to Public Hearing

B. Notice of Public Hearing
   1. Call for Public Hearing – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston
   2. Receive and Discuss HB 2725 – Structured Recess
   3. Adjourn to Regular Session

C. Approval of Consent Agenda
   1. Approval of Minutes:  September 23, 2010
   2. Ratification of Payroll $2,410,702.27 and Expense Vouchers $2,358,780.84 in the Total Amount of $4,769,483.11
   3. Request to Approve Out of District Field Trips
   4. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Classified Staff
   5. Request for Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements
   6. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position
   7. Request for Approval of Uncompensated Leaves of Absence

   Ms. Bliss moved for approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item C3 – Request to Approve Out of District Field Trips for Kenilworth School and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. Mr. Ed Flores, Kenilworth School’s Principal introduced the Traveling Senators of Kenilworth School: Ms. Jessica Morris, Mr. Ryan Williams and Ms. Nichole Pope.
Mr. Williams stated that there is an academic curriculum behind this trip and when they travel to Paris during Spring Break, they will visit the Louvre, they will go on walking tours, interact with citizens and will take an overnight train to Barcelona to see the architecture of Barcelona. He stated that they will be on a tight schedule but plan to take the kids to see the Eiffel Tower at night. Seven 8th graders and twelve adults will go on the trip and the trips are being financed through community-centered fund-raising. To raise money, food was sold at the Kenilworth School’s 90th birthday party, they’ve had a Peter Piper Family Night where the school district and Kenilworth families could attend, they’ve done car washes and family movie nights. They have a Spaghetti Dinner coming up on November 5th, and one of the parents volunteered to teach Zumba classes at Kenilworth School. Ms. Bliss stated that there’s been some question on whether the adults should also be approved to go on the trip, because we don’t have their names and we don’t know who they are, but she would be happy to amend her motion to approve the 12 adults that have been approved as part of this club and if the names change between now and then, she will presume that any policies we may have on fingerprinting or background checks of volunteers have been followed. Ms. Bliss was informed that they are all being fingerprinted and the process will be finished by March.

Mr. Allsworth confirmed that the field trip to Camp Chapel Rock (Kenilworth School) has been approved and the board members assured him that it was approved.

Ms. Bliss moved for approval of the Traveling Senators’ Trip to Barcelona and Paris and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion and Item C3, in the Consent Agenda was passed.

D. Community Communications

None

E. Superintendent’s Report

1. Awards and Recognitions
2. Announcements

Ms. Roa announced that the district celebrated Kenilworth School’s 90th Birthday Celebration and she showed a film featuring a 5th grade Kenilworth student by the name of Fernanda who has great reporting skills. In the film, Fernanda interviewed Dr. Marston and asked her how different it was for schools back in 1920 when Kenilworth School first opened. Dr. Marston stated that students came to school either on the trolley, on a horse or a bicycle but we did not have school buses. Fernanda reported that Kenilworth School was named after a castle and gave a little history of the school. Ms. Roa stated that our school district has a lot of Fall Festivals, including carnivals and a spaghetti dinner taking place on November 5th.

Ms. Roa reported to the board that a special meeting might be needed to approve the sale of bonds if the Bond Election is successful. Mr. Baca stated to the board that the timeline is driven by the fact that they want to sell the bonds in December and as a result, we need to have a Resolution approved by the governing board in order to sell those bonds. Mr. Baca further stated that what Mr. Rosenfeld and Mr. Casillas from Stone and Youngberg are doing is working now in anticipation of it passing so that hopefully we can do it for board preparation for the 18th of November.

F. Business Services – Kenneth Baca, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request to Receive and Discuss the District’s Energy Education Program

Mr. Baca invited Ms. Kathy Halifko (aka) Kilowatt Kathy to present the initial energy report and he stated that in October the board will be given a formal report on this energy education. Ms. Halifko introduced Mr. Dale Grantham and Mr. Brian Moore, two of many...
consultants from Energy Education who will continue to train her in her job. Mr. Baca stated that what Kathy was able to do during the initial talk with all staff members is to let them know that if they see something that is broken such as a broken sprinkler head, people are asked to report them, not to leave it to the custodian or the building supervisor, but to actually take the initiative to report it so that it can be addressed and repaired.

2. Request to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Maricopa County and Phoenix Elementary School District from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015

Mr. Baca stated that this is an agreement that helps to govern the election.

Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Item F2, on today’s agenda which is the Request to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Maricopa County and Phoenix Elementary School District concerning the costs of ballot questions and this agreement runs from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015. Dr. Stark seconded the motion and the board unanimously approved the motion and Item F2 was passed.

G. Curriculum & Instruction – Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request to Approve Out of State Travel
   Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Item G1 and Mr. Allsworth seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion and Item G1 was passed.

2. Request for Approval of Amendments to Juvenile Probation Office (JPO) Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County Originally Approved by the Governing Board on September 9, 2010
   Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Item G2 and Mr. Allsworth seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion and Item G2 was passed.

H. Human Resources

   None

I. Board Reports and Requests

1. Update on University Public School Phoenix
2. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)
3. Board Report

J. Adjournment

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston
Governing Board President