



Notice of Regular Public Meeting – Notice of Regular Session –  
April 28, 2011

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  
(Left at 7:15 p.m.)

Ms. Susan Bliss

Ms. Liz Meza  
(Absent)

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  
(Left at 7:00 p.m.)

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 – Kim Hertzog

**B. Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of Minutes: March 17, 2011  
April 7, 2011
2. Ratification of Payroll \$1,992,737.73 and Expense Vouchers \$762,669.40 in the Total Amount of \$2,755,407.13
3. Request to Renew Facilities Use Agreement with Maricopa County Community College District on Behalf of Rio Salado College
4. Request to Renew Facilities Use Agreement with Blueprint Education, Inc.
5. Request to Renew Facilities Use Agreement with Alternatives Unlimited
6. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff
7. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position
8. Request for Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements  
*Dr. Stark moved for approval of the Consent Agenda, but requested a discussion of Items B3, B4 and B5. Ms. Bliss moved for approval of the Consent Agenda excluding Items B3, B4 and B5.*  
*The board approved the motion by 3-0 (Mr. Allsworth was not at the meeting yet) and the Consent Agenda was passed with the exclusion of Items B3, B4 and B5.*

*Discussion of Item B4 – Request to Renew Facilities Use Agreement with Blueprint Education, Inc.*

Page 3, Item 8.2: Notwithstanding Article 8.1, Blueprint Education shall not be responsible for any condition existing at the Premises prior to the Commencement Date. Dr. Stark questioned the above paragraph and stated that since this is a renewal and they had been using the property consistently, that it would be their responsibility for the condition of the premises rather than our district's responsibility, so why are they not responsible?

Mr. Baca stated that that was one of the items that their legal counsel wanted in there, and the way in which our legal counsel interprets that is, when they took the condition of the existing premises was the commencement date from the prior agreement five (5) years ago, so it's just continuing that, so when we sign this, it's the commencement date that continues when they took possession of it five years ago.

Board direction: The governing board directed Mr. Baca to have our legal counsel insert the date that the original agreement commenced.

There was only one change made to the items that Dr. Stark requested be discussed. *Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item B3, B4 and B5 with the exception of the contract with Blueprint Education on Page 3, 8.2, that exclusion of Blueprint Education's responsibility for any previous condition must date from the date of the original agreement, using the word commencement date in Item 8.2 must be changed to either the actual date of the first agreement or refer to the first occupancy agreement we had with Blueprint Education on the facility. Dr. Stark seconded the motion, Mr. Allsworth arrived to the meeting and abstained from voting. The board approved the motion by 3-1 and Items B3, B4 and B5 were passed.*

**C. Community Communications**

- Mr. Nomas Amaya of 1405 E. Cypress Street in Phoenix, AZ, submitted a Speaker Card and expressed his concern regarding the safety of his child and other students (who need to use crutches and use the elevator at Whittier Elementary School).
- Ms. Rosalinda Ramirez submitted a Speaker Card and expressed her gratitude to the employees who were affected by the district-restructuring for their work and years in the district and she empathized with them for their loss of work.
- Ms. Ramirez expressed her appreciation to Mr. Baca for his efforts to keep them informed, the power points that he provided to them in order for them to visualize the budget scenarios, the list of options to help them in their decision-making process and informing the Budget Advisory Committee with the great representation they had.

**D. Superintendent's Report**

1. Awards and Recognitions

2. Announcement

- Ms. Roa announced that the Coronado Neighborhood Association Family Night Out and Movies and Potluck in The Park, which will be held this Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Collecting at 5:30 p.m. and eating at 6:00 p.m. and the movie starts at 7:30 p.m. This will be held at Pocket Park located on Virginia and 15<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Ms. Roa announced that the Día del Niño Carnival will be held at the ASU Phoenix Elementary School District between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm on Saturday.
- Teacher Appreciation Week – Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Ms. Roa stated that there will be fun activities to show our appreciation for our teachers. She stated that the association and the personnel who were in charge of the Retirement Tea had some extra funds available and we

- will probably be doing some gift certificates or opportunity drawings.
- Ms. Roa introduced Michael Welsh, a Mentor Teacher and Todd Peterson, who is his mentee and a teacher at Magnet Traditional School. (Related to Item #F5). On behalf of the other mentors and the beginning teachers, they thanked the board for continuing to support the Mentor Program.
- Sara Bresnahan spoke about what's happening with Día de los Niños which is sponsored by the City of Phoenix and they will have a very large booth to display their history projects and will also focus on the Centennial of Arizona. The Kenilworth ALPS Students will be there and will help students as they come through to learn about the history and respond to history trivia questions. She thanked John Kain because now they can use their Ipads to show their timeline. The event begins tomorrow, Friday, April 29, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Margaret T. Hance Park. Mr. Lind acknowledged that there will be students singing from Capitol School and Emerson School.
- Ms. Bresnahan also stated that Lowell School will have an exhibit, United Star/United Way Health Fair and this will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.

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

1. Request to Receive and Discuss Bond, Series 2010 (A), Projects
2. Request to Approve Issuance of Purchase Order to Pueblo Mechanical & Controls, Inc. (TCPN Contract No. R5044) for HVAC Replacement and Controls Installation at Edison School
3. Request to Approve Issuance of Purchase Order to Progressive Roofing (TCPN Contract No. MO928) for Re-roofing at Edison School
4. Request to Approve Issuance of Purchase Order to Pueblo Mechanical & Controls, Inc. (TCPN Contract No. R5044) for HVAC Replacement and Controls Installation at Emerson School
5. Request to Approve Issuance of Purchase Order to Progressive Roofing (TCPN Contract No. MO928) for Re-roofing at Emerson School
6. Request to Approve Issuance of Purchase Order to Pueblo Mechanical & Controls, Inc. (TCPN Contract No. R5044) for HVAC Replacement and Controls Installation at Garfield School
7. Request to Approve Issuance of Purchase Order to Progressive Roofing (TCPN Contract No. MO928) for Re-roofing and Insulation Upgrade at Garfield School

*Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Items E2 through E7 in today's agenda and the information contained in the agenda supporting those and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 4-0 and Items E2 through E7 were passed.*

8. Request for Approval of Issuance of Purchase Order to Sunland Asphalt (TCPN Contract No. MO927) for Asphalt Replacement and Repair with Re-striping at Edison School
9. Request for Approval of Issuance of Purchase Order to Ace Asphalt of Arizona Inc. (Mohave Educational Service Contract #10A-ACE-0316) for Asphalt, Concrete Replacement and Repair with Re-striping at Kenilworth School
10. Request for Approval of Issuance of Purchase Order to Ace Asphalt of Arizona Inc. (Mohave Educational Service Contract #10A-ACE-0316) for Asphalt and Concrete Replacement and Repair with Re-striping at Whittier School

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Items E8, E9 and E10 as contained within today's agenda and the supporting material in our agenda, and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 4-0 and Items E8, E9 and E10 were passed.*

11. Request Approval of the Revision to the Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2010

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item E11 as presented in today's agenda and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 4-0 and Item E11 was passed.*

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

1. Request to Approve Out of State Travel

Mr. Tom Lind stated that this Out of State Travel is for Mr. Mancilla, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher from Emerson School and is requesting approval to travel to Cambridge, MA during the summer months to attend an interactive whiteboard class to learn more about smart boards. He stated that Mr. Mancilla and Ms. Garthanne de Ocampo are in the audience this evening in case the board has questions for them. Mr. Allsworth announced that Mr. Mancilla is paying for his own trip.

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item F1 in today's agenda and Mr. Allsworth seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 4-0 and Item F1 was passed.*

2. Request to Approve Purchase of Supplemental Mathematics Materials for Grades 6-8 from Pearson not to Exceed \$60,000

Mr. Tom Lind stated that Ms. Kim Hertzog is in the audience in case the board has questions.

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item F2 as presented in today's agenda and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. Dr. Marston thanked Mr. Lind for being an excellent person, for doing a great job for years and for being well-trained and knowing what the board expects and also thanked him for this exemplary report and for going into detail and Mr. Lind said he'd like to thank Ms. Hertzog for her assistance in the preparation. The board approved the motion by 4-0 and Item F2 was passed.*

3. Request to Approve Revisions to the District Student Code of Conduct Handbook

Ms. Diane Wray, the Director of Student Services spoke to the item and recognized the committee members that worked diligently on the Student Code of Conduct Handbook for the last three months.

She thanked the following employees:

Gail Harris/ IEP Compliance Coordinator, Marcy Krause Garduno/Lead Nurse, Sharon Carpenter/Lead Psychologist, Fiona Roberts/Software Support Technician, Garthanne de Ocampo/Emerson School Principal, Gary Zehrbach/Herrera School Principal, Nadine Gofonia/Shaw School Principal, Jonathan Damron/MIS Data Audit, Stella Garcia/MIS Telecommunications, Annamarie Patelli/Special Ed. Teacher, Sara Meyer/Social Worker at Bethune School and Carolina Sanchez-Muller, Psychologist from Garfield and Edison. Ms. Wray stated that they really worked hard to clean up the Student Code of Conduct Handbook. Mr. Allsworth stated that the handbook looks good to him and Dr. Marston stated that she just wants to see the signature on a modified, Title I Parent Contract because it has to be done anyway. Dr. Marston directed administration to look at this particular form and bring back the issue of what happens to children when there's an emergency and how we're providing for that.

*Ms. Bliss moved for approval of the Student Code Handbook for 2011-2012 as presented in today's agenda Item F3. There was no second.*

In order to give Ms. Diane Wray and her department the opportunity to make the Student Code of Conduct Handbook parent-friendly and easier to read and supported by Mr. Lind's agreement, *Ms. Bliss changed her motion and moved to table Item F3 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion to table the item. The board approved the motion by 4-0 and Item F3 was tabled. Mr. Allsworth had a scheduling conflict and left after this agenda item.*

4. Request to Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona State University Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College for the I Teach AZ Project for the 2011-2012 School Year

5. Request to Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with the PK-12 Consortium, Teacher Induction Program, for the 2011-2012 School Year

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item F4 and Item F5 in today's agenda which are continuing intergovernmental agreements, one with ASU and the other with PK-12 Consortium and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 3-0 and Items F4 and F5 were passed.*

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

1. Request for Approval of Issuance of Contracts and Work Agreements for the 2011-2012 School Year

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item G1 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion.*

Speaker Card: Ms. Rosalinda Ramirez submitted a Speaker Card and stated that she had a conversation with Mr. Dickason and she noticed that he made a correction on the working contract days for teachers and changed it to 205 days because it being a Leap Year, they added another day to it. However, she did not see that change on the contracts themselves. Mr. Dickason thanked her for noticing that and stated that it should have shown 205 days.

*Mr. Bliss accepted the change in her motion and Dr. Stark accepted this change in her motion to second.*

Ms. Ramirez also stated that being that when teachers are not certified or are waiting for endorsements or fingerprints, they can be paid under Substitute Pay for 120 days, she appreciates that because she knows that the Human Resources Department in our district is very good about advising the teachers when their certification is going to expire, so she thinks that's expected for that time period and hopefully, they are alert to the emails that they receive to make sure that their certification is up-to-date. On the salary, she stated that it says that in the event that there is a difference in #4 between the salary amount stated here and the amount in the District salary schedule, she asked if that would be the salary schedule that they have which is not on step salary and Mr. Dickason agreed that she is right and further stated that the last approved salary schedule was 2007-2008 in which the amounts were increased 1.5% and then reduced by 3%, and there's no change from last year.

Ms. Ramirez brought up Item #7 regarding Furlough which states "the District reserves the right as part of salary reduction to decrease salaries by furloughing the teachers" and she stated that she recalls that they didn't expect to have a furlough last year and asked if this is in there just in case they must have a furlough and Mr. Dickason agreed that it is in there in the event of a furlough.

*The board approved the motion by 3-0 and Item G1 was passed.*

2. Request for Approval of 2011-2012 ESPA Meet and Confer Agreed Upon Recommendations  
*Ms. Bliss moved for approval of Item G2 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 3-0 and Item G2 was passed.*
3. Request for Approval of 2011-2012 PECTA Meet and Confer Agreed Upon Recommendations  
*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item G3 as presented in today's agenda and Dr. Stark seconded the motion.*

Speaker Card: Ms. Rosalinda Ramirez /PECTA President spoke to the item and stated that she is pleased to say that the Meet and Confer process this year was productive and there was more *dialogue* with Cabinet and more gains through the Meet and Confer process. She stated that both Cabinet and PECTA contributed a lot of their time, input suggestions, research

and data and it is greatly appreciated. She thanked Mr. Lind, Mr. Dickason, Mr. Baca and Superintendent Roa and also thanked the board for their approval of this item.

The board approved the motion by 3-0 and Item G3 was passed.

4. Request for Approval of Hearing Officer Donna G. Michaels, Ph.D. for the Remainder of Calendar Year 2011

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item G4 and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 3-0 and Item G4 was passed.*

5. Request for Approval of 2011-2012 Salary Placement Schedules

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item G5 as presented in today's agenda with the revised attachment for Item G5 (the contracted days having been corrected because of Leap Year. and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 3-0 and Item G5 was passed.*

6. Request for Approval of the 2011-2012 Hard to Fill Stipends

*Ms. Bliss moved approval of Item G6 as presented in today's agenda and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by 3-0 and Item G6 was passed.*

## **H. Board Reports and Requests**

1. Update on ASU Prep Academy

Dr. Stark stated that she, Ms. Meza and Ms. Bliss visited their Saturday program and enjoyed their visit. She stated that the teachers were outstanding and the kids were really excited about the subject matter and there was a lot of activity going on in the playground and athletic fields and stated that it was a very positive experience.

### **Board Request:**

Dr. Marston asked for a report on the Open Enrollment Applications.

Dr. Marston asked for a motion to adjourn the board meeting; Ms. Bliss moved for approval to adjourn and Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The board meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

2. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)
3. Board Report

## **I. Adjournment**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dr. Ruth Ann Marston  
Governing Board President

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