Dr. Ruth Ann Marston presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Meeting in the Phoenix Elementary School District Governing Board Room

Other Board Members present at the meeting were:

Mr. Doug Allsworth (Absent)    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 (Absent)

Mr. Randy Dickason
Executive Director for Human Resources

Ms. Eleanor Moyza
Board Secretary

A. **Study Session – 8:30 a.m.**
1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Myriam Roa
3. Request Approval of Emerson Court Renovations Landscaping Options
   Mr. Ben Barcon of ADM started discussing the changes/revisions to the Landscaping options and the wrought iron/ masonry for the front of the building discussed in previous meetings.

Handouts were reviewed and comments were as follows:

- **Trees** – eucalyptus tend to fall over; one alumnus said he remembered the children planting “new” trees when 7th street was widened multiple times. New trees were added based on the suggestions from the last meeting.
- **Concerns about upkeep of landscaping** – costs, time, water and different use of hardscape (ramadas) were discussed. Grass will already use water, the trees will benefit from run off from parking lot as well
- **Shade** was increased to help cooling of the sidewalk.
- **Type of trees** were discussed, elm and ash, whether trees would block façade, and as long as there is a balance; with trimming trees, below the roof line
- **Revisions to inner courtyard** had ramadas removed, and kept some existing palms and flowering plants

*Ms. Bliss moved to approve the landscaping options as presented with the goal of not having trees grow above the roof line, and trim as much as possible for the visibility of the façade and windows. Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0 unanimously.*

- Revisions to front of the building will salvage the palm trees, lighten up the screen wall, and is a good compromise for the lift rather than the ramp.
Ms. Bliss moved to approve the elevation plan presented with handicapped lift on the south side, the wrought iron both in a color that matches the building and maximizes the view of the windows, and that appropriate signage designating the lift in the parking lots. Dr. Stark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Mr. Barcon thanked and appreciated the board for their input.

B. **Community Communications**
   None

C. **Adjournment**
The board meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dr. Ruth Ann Marston
Governing Board President

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