



Regular Public Meeting/Study Session July 27th, 2011

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Study Session in the Professional Development Center (PDC).

Other board Members present were:

Mr. Doug Allsworth Ms. Susan Bliss Ms. Liz Mesa Dr. Louisa stark

Also present were:

Ms. Myriam Roa Mr. Randy Dickason Lillian Hameed
Superintendent Executive Director for Board Secretary
Human Resources

A. Study Session – 10:15 a.m.

1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Myriam Roa
3. Motion for approval of the June 23rd, 2011 minutes. Mr. Allsworth moved, Dr. Stark seconded, and motion was approved by unanimous vote.

B. Community Communications

There were no community reports.

C. Superintendent's Report

Ms. Roa addressed the board concerning Mr. Matthew Camacho, principal at Heard school. He has requested long term medical leave. Ms. Roa will bring to the August 11, 2011, a recommendation to appoint an interim principal to assist Heard school with opening of school, until Mr. Camacho returns.

Dr. Marston, Dr. Stark, Mr. Allsworth, as well as Ms. Roa will attend this year's convocation. Ms. Roa stated that Mr. David Luhan and about 14 staff members of ASU Prep may also attend.

Ms. Roa reported that although we were without power during the morning, the power was restored that afternoon. She further stated that there was a planned power outage to switch power back to the cable which had flooded. This has been planned, most likely during the evening as not to impact the backup of our data system. We are back on track, and air conditioning is flowing.

D. Board Reports and Requests (taken out of order)

Dr. Marston postponed the Charrete discussion until an additional board member arrives to prevent repetition of information. Mr. Allsworth gives a brief report on Arizona School Board Association (ASBA) legislative conference. Mr. Allworth says his attendance gave him insight about how we should present recommendations in future years. Ms. Roa reported that this year ASBA issued a notice/disclaimer in which they assured the school district that they would not be doing anything to influence the outcome of the election in compliance with HB2002.

A. Study Session (continued)

4. Charrete process to discover ways to improve energy efficiency and sustainability.

Mr. Barcon: introduction of Engineering Team: Tom Johnson, Johnson Engineering, Bob McGrew, McGrew Engineering, Dave Rosenberg, Desert Adaptive, Zack Hilgart, Hilgart & Wilson, Terry L. Bohl and John Flaherty, McCarthy Building Co.'s. ADM group: Ben Barcon, Nina Sheriff and Jennifer Bowen.

Mr. Barcon addressed the board's interest in sustainable design and the need to maximize dollars in that area. To be LEED certified is cost prohibitive, so his objective, at this meeting is to share the lead process and show how much sustainable design is already built into the project, hopefully we will incur no additional cost, and discussion of some potential issues and the costs involved. Ms. Bowen gives an overview of the US green building council. Leadership, Energy and Environmental Design is a way to measure how energy efficient and high performing buildings are, which incorporates site planning, water management, energy use, material use and indoor environmental quality as their quantifying factors.

Categories:

- a. Sustainable sites: The building received 4 of 26 possible points. During the presentation of the project checklist, Mr. Barcon further explained how the points are accrued.
- b. Water Efficiency: 3 of 13 points. In comparing the water use of the as installed fixtures and fittings with the new compliant fixtures and fitting. Tom Johnson stated that since the plumbing is pre 1994 this would be an opportunity to bump up from the standard UPC of 2006. Discussion turned to landscaping. Ms. Bliss speaks to the fact that water is only going to get more expensive and is concerned that maintaining a lawn would be cost prohibitive. Dr. Stark poses the question of more drought tolerant grasses, and suggests that as an option. She also feels this would be an opportunity to teach the community about conservation of water.
- c. Energy and Atmosphere: 3 of 35 points. Ms. Bowen explains building commissioning, which determines how well the design is performing. Mr. Barcon offers further explanation and state that this needs to be done ongoing, at every re-certification period, which is annually.
- d. Materials and Resources: 0 of 10 points. The district does not have a sustainable purchasing policy, which requires that ongoing purchases, such as furniture, electric powered equipment, facility alterations and additions, and lighting, have sustainable qualities implemented and monitored.
- e. Indoor Environment Quality: 5 of 15 points. It is determined that we are on track for indoor environmental quality to implement and track/document.
- f. Innovation in Operations: 2 of 6 points.
- g. Regional Priority Credits: 1 of 4 points.

The district received a total 22 out of 110 points.

Dr. Marston asks for questions. Dr. Stark speaks to alternative transportation.

5. Request Approval of Design Recommendations for Emerson Court. Mr. Barcon requests more board direction. Dr. Marston asks if there is anything else the board needs to consider prior to the budget. Discussion of waterless urinals which are not in our budget continues. At this time conventional are planned. Further discussion of maintenance, cleanliness, and an experience at Tolleson, etc. leads Dr. Stark to propose conventional urinals.

Discussion turns to the design of the Governing Board Room., platform verses no platform. Several layouts were presented. Option A – No platform --- Option B – With platform.

Ms. Bliss prefers Option A, which provides a performance area for children to come and perform. She also feels it provides more flexibility for training purposes.

Dr. Stark prefers Option B stating that being elected to represent the district the board members need to be seen, in order to better understand what is going on during the meeting. However, she feels a little less formality in the structure of the platform would be serviceable.

Mr. Allsworth likes Option B voicing concern with the lack of accessibility. Otherwise he is neutral.

Ms. Meza states that she is also somewhat neutral but mentioned the importance accessibility especially so for someone in a wheelchair.

Dr. Marston inquires about the technology, as to whether there would be a wireless system. Further discussion suggests a movable platform, to use for board meetings as well as presentations. She also suggests that a large screen behind the seated board members would be helpful.

Jennifer Bowen suggests using portable risers to showcase the children during performances.

Mr. Allsworth moves to adopt Option B, second by Dr. Stark
Approved by a vote of 4 ayes – 1 nay (with Ms. Bliss voting nay).

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Letter received to Offer Superintendent a new contract. Will be on the agenda for the Executive session at 6 PM August 11th, 2011

E. Adjournment:

Dr. Stark moves to adjourn; Mr. Allsworth seconds. Meeting is adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, Board President