

**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting/Study Session
July 12th, 2012**

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Meeting in the Kenilworth Elementary School Auditorium, 1210 N. 5th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85003

Other board Members present were:

Mr. Doug Allsworth

Dr. Louisa Stark

Ms. Susan Bliss

Also present were:

Ms. Myriam Roa
Superintendent

Mr. Randy Dickason
Executive Director for
Human Resources

Mr. Tom Lind
Assistant Superintendent

Larry Weeks
Assistant Superintendent

Lillian Hameed
Board Secretary

A. Regular Session – 8:30 a.m.

1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Randy Dickason

Dr. Marston requested that new principals in our district perform the Pledge of Allegiance at future Board meetings.

3. Adjournment to Public Hearing

*Mr. Allsworth moved to adjourn to Public Hearing, Ms. Bliss seconded
Motion was approved unanimously*

Meeting was adjourned to Public Hearing at 8:36 a.m.

B. Notice of Public Hearing

1. Call for Public Hearing – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
2. Conduct a Public Hearing to Present the Proposed FY2012-13 Budget and Truth in Taxation Notice as per Arizona Revised Statutes §15-905.B.D. and §15-905.01.A.B.1-7

Mr. Weeks stated that he had received a verbal recommendation that the adjacent ways portion of the proposed budget be adjusted from one million dollars to five hundred thousand dollars.

Dr. Marston stated for the minutes that Ms. Liz Meza requested this reduction.

Dr. Stark asked if the funds were spent out in recent years. Mr. Weeks stated that we had actually overspent this year. Dr. Stark suggested the amount be changed to 750 thousand dollars, which gives us a little leeway and still offers a decrease.

Mr. Allsworth as well as Dr. Marston both supported the reduction to five hundred thousand dollars. Dr. Marston stated that it is important that people understand that we are good stewards of their money. Mr. Weeks stated that he can assure everyone that we are indeed good stewards of their money.

Ms. Bliss supported Dr. Starks' suggestion. This item will be addressed in F.1.

3. Resume to Regular Session

Regular session was resumed

C. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes: March 22, 2012
April 12, 2012
May 10, 2012
2. Ratification of Payroll \$456.79 and Expense Vouchers \$1,107,595.74 in the Total Amount of \$1,108,052.53
3. Request for Approval of Financial Reports for Student Activity Funds through May 2012
4. Request for Approval of Gifts and Donations
5. Request to Approve the Ratification of the FY12-13 Liability Insurance Trust Agreement #232-2012; Alliance Policy #1963-SA-AZ-148; Insurance and Risk Management Consulting Services Agreement
6. Request for Renewal of Contracts, Obtained Under Request for Proposals and Invitation for Bids, for School Year 2012-2013
7. Request Approval to Designate Sole Source Providers for Fiscal Year 2012-2013
8. Request for Approval of Renewal Agreement with Greater Phoenix Urban League Head Start for Preschool Services
9. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff
10. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position
11. Request for Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements

Ms. Bliss moved to approve the consent agenda with minor grammatical corrections to the minutes of March 22nd, 2012, April 12th, 2012 and May 10th, 2012, as requested by Dr. Marston, Mr. Allsworth seconded

Dr. Marston requested clarification on item C. 5 regarding Insurance and Risk Management. Mr. Weeks explained that the Trust Agreement provides liability insurance, such as property loss or auto loss, and Alliance provides workers' Comp Insurance, and Willis is the broker that pulls the data and acts as a liaison between us and them. Mr. Weeks went on to state that the District has recently picked up Prepaid Legal, for \$43,000, before which our legal costs were up to three times that amount.

Dr. Marston asked how many open positions there were in the District this year. Mr. Dickason stated that there were 20 full time positions open.

Motion was passed unanimously

D. Community Communications

There were no community communications

E. Superintendent's Report

1. Awards and Recognitions

Ms. Roa celebrated the beginning of the 12/13 school year.

2. Announcements

Ms. Roa announced the upcoming MCESA symposium on August 25th, 2012. If anyone is interested in attending, they should let her or Kathy Garcia know. Dr. Marston mentioned that there are 2 candidates for Board positions and they have both agreed to attend the symposium.

Ms. Roa notified the Board that she would like to put an update about the teacher evaluation and principal evaluation new initiatives on the agenda for every Board meeting. This would provide a trigger to remind us to discuss anything significant with the Board.

The new teacher induction will be held Wednesday, July 18th at 8:30 am. at Kenilworth. Dr. Marston, Ms. Roa and Cabinet will be in attendance to welcome them.

The convocation will be held July 26th, 2012 at 8:30 am at ASU Prep.

F. Business Services – Larry Weeks, Assistant Superintendent

Items taken out of order

6. Discuss and Take Action on a Statement in Favor of the District's Capital Outlay Override Election

Mr. Allsworth noted that instead of referring to the "continuation of the current Capital Override", we may want to state the year in which the prior Capital Override was approved (2005) so the voters understand that this is not an annual occurrence, but instead occurs every 7 years.

It was also discussed and decided that "THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT" be added at the end of the pamphlet.

Mr. Allsworth moved to approve item F.6, the proposed pamphlet language pro statement for the Capital Outlay Override with the amendments discussed, Ms. Bliss seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

7. Discuss and Take Action on a Statement in Favor of the District's Site Purchase Election

Mr. Weeks thanked Mr. Allsworth for his help with this item.

Mr. Allsworth moved to approve item F.7, the pamphlet pro statement for the purchase of land as presented to the Board, Ms. Bliss seconded

Dr. Stark abstained

Motion was passed unanimously

Items taken out of order

3. Receive, Discuss New Proposal for Collaboration Agreement between Phoenix Elementary and ASU Charter Sponsored ASU Preparatory Academy Phoenix Campus

We are awaiting additional information on item F.3. Administration requested that this item be withdrawn from the agenda and placed on a future agenda

4. Request Approval for Renewal of the Phoenix Elementary School District #1 and University Public Schools, Inc. (UPSI) Food Services Agreement for the 2012-2013 School Year
5. Request Approval for Renewal of the Phoenix Elementary School District #1 and University Public Schools, Inc. (UPSI) Transportation Agreement for the 2012-2013 School Year

Ms. Bliss moved to approve items F.4 involving the food services Agreement and F.5 involving transportation, between PESD AND UPSI, Dr. Stark seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

Item taken out of order

2. Request Approval to Authorize the Superintendent to Reallocate Budgeted Subsections of the M&O Budget Not to Exceed the Entire Budget to Pay for Expenditures Authorized by the Governing Board

Ms. Bliss moved to approve item F.2, Mr. Allsworth seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

Item taken out of order

1. Request Approval to Adopt the FY2012-2013 Proposed Budget as Presented

Ms. Bliss moved to approve item F.1, the FY2012/13 proposed budget as presented, with the exception that the adjacent ways amount and levy be reduced to \$750 thousand dollars from \$1 million, Dr. Stark seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

G. Curriculum & Instruction – Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request to Approve Gifted Education Pilot Program at Kenilworth School for the 2012-2013 School Year

Ms. Wray spoke regarding the Gifted Program. She reported that 7th and 8th grade students will be included. She also reported that there has been some discussion about adding an additional school, but this plan is at the beginning stage.

Dr. Stark asked if gifted children generally tend to stay in the program through 8th grade. Ms. Wray replied that this can vary from child to child. However, she observed by 6th, 7th, and 8th, grade the interest wanes for various reasons, one reason being students would prefer not to leave their own campus and peers.

Mr. Allsworth moved to approve item G.1, Dr. Stark seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

H. Human Resources – Randy Dickason, Executive Director

1. Request for Approval of Job Description for Math and/or Literacy Coach

Ms. Bliss moved to approve item H.1, Dr. Stark seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

2. Request for Governing Board to Suspend Policy BGB Related to Policy Adoption

Ms. Bliss moved that the Board suspend Policy BGB related to Policy adoption as it pertains to item H.2, Dr. Stark seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

3. Request for Approval of Revisions to Governing Board Policy IJNDB, Use of Technology Resources in Instruction

Ms. Bliss moved to approve item H.3, Dr. Stark seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

I. Board Reports and Requests

1. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)

Ms. Roa thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve in the 12/13 year. She also mentioned that Dr. Rene Diaz will be one of the speakers at the convocation and that our theme will be the Olympics, "Going for the Gold".

2. Board Report

Dr. Marston reminded the Board that anyone interested in attending the REIL workshop please let Ms. Roa know so the applications can be completed in a timely manner. The date is August 25th, and if we are going to have the majority of the Board there it needs to be placed on the agenda.

J. Adjournment

Ms. Bliss moved to adjourn, Dr. Stark seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

Meeting was adjourned at 9:39am

Board packets containing information for this meeting may be reviewed in each of the school offices and at the reception desk at the Emerson Court Administrative Complex. Additional material may be added to the packet up to 24 hours before the Governing Board meeting and will be available in the Superintendent's and at the reception desk at Emerson Court. Anyone requiring special accommodations, or Spanish translation, please contact the Governing Board office at 602-523-8974. This notice posted pursuant to A.R.S. §38.431.02. The next Governing Board meeting will be held on Thursday, August 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Dr. Ruth Ann Marston

Board President, Phx. Elem. School Dist. #1