

**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting  
November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**Dr. Ruth Ann Marston** presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Meeting Kenilworth Elementary School Auditorium, 1210 N. 5<sup>th</sup> 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

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**A. Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Michelle Corker
3. Music Performance by Shaw Elementary Students

**B. Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of Governing Board Minutes for September 13, 2012 and September 27, 2012
2. Ratification of Payroll \$2,051,541.27 and Expense Vouchers \$1,289,593.17 in the Total Amount of \$3,341,134.44
3. Request for Governing Board to Approve Out of District Field Trips
4. Request for Governing Board to Approve Out of State Travel
5. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff
6. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position
7. Request for Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements
8. Request for Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absence
9. Request for Approval to Pay Arizona Minimum Wage

*Dr. Marston made note of an addition to item B. 3. In which Faith North School requested approval for an out of district field trip to Biosphere II, in Tucson, Az., December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012.*

*Ms. Bliss moved to approved the consent agenda, noting changes to item B. 3, Mr. Allsworth seconded*

*Motion was passed unanimously*

### **C. Community Communications**

*There were no community communications*

### **D. Superintendent's Report**

#### **1. Awards and Recognitions**

*Ms. Roa recognized the Bethune boys' basketball team who won the Phoenix Elementary School Districts Basketball Tournament.*

*Ms. Roa also announced that ALPS staff have screened 3,657 students. She praised the staff as well as the governing board for being so enthusiastic about increasing the screening for our gifted students in our district. The total number of gifted students in our district is 232 up 56 students.*

#### **2. Announcements**

*Ms. Roa sadly announced that one of Phoenix Elementary School District's employees, Mr. Timothy Vaughn, passed away. He was an NCLB Tech with our MIS Department.*

*Ms. Roa celebrated the wonderful election experience again, as the capitol override passed by the highest percentage of 61 points.*

*Ms. Roa further reported she will defend her dissertation on December 3, 2012.*

### **E. Business Services – Larry Weeks, Assistant Superintendent**

*Mr. Weeks introduced Ms. Jenifer Weskalmies, AIA | NCARB | LEED® AP Principle Architect. He then began his presentation with a brief overview of Change Orders 1 and 2. He continued the presentation outlining the projected and unforeseen costs, surrounding Phase III of the renovation as well as a breakdown of Emerson Court contingency use. Change Order #3 totaled \$87,500.00. Any unused contingency will be returned to the District.*

*Dr. Marston inquired about the raising of the height of the inside existing walls. Mr. Weeks explained that as construction continues, structural problems arise and must be addressed at that time.*

*Dr. Stark asked about additional historic repairs. Mr. Weeks explained that every effort is taken to maintain the original architectural design.*

*Mr. Allsworth asked whether the amounts stated are estimates. Mr. Weeks explained that they are order of magnitude estimates, what they think the work will cost.*

*Dr. Marston asked about design element preservation. Mr. Weeks explained that the original designs were documented and every effort is being taken to preserve or replicate any historical elements.*

*Dr. Marston announced that, she and Ms. Roa have been planning an open house tour from 4-6 pm before the first Board meeting in February. Additionally on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Greater Coronado Neighborhood Tour will include a turn-a-round tour of Emerson court.*

*Plans are now being made to apply for the Governor's Historic Preservation Award. Applications may be submitted until April.*

*Mr. Lind shared a story of the letters now being used to spell "Emerson Court" on the renovated building. Mr. Lind explained that he found those letters in a box in the basement labeled "trash". He didn't think of them as trash so he decided to hold on to them and kept them safe for a number of years. When he learned of the historic renovation project he felt they might be restored and used on the building. He stated that he is happy to see them displayed once again.*

1. Request to Approve Change Order 003 for Emerson Court Renovation

*Mr. Allsworth moved to approve item E. 1, Ms. Bliss seconded*

*Motion was approved unanimously*

2. Request to Approve the Purchase of Equipment and Services for Phase III of the Emerson Court Renovation

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

*Dr. Stark inquired as to who will install this equipment. Mr. Weeks explained that the work will be done by professionals and has already been allotted for.*

*Motion was approved unanimously*

*There was some discussion at this point about programs such as e-docs and board-docs.*

3. Request to Approve the Purchase of Equipment and Services for 5 Separate Projects that will Upgrade and Protect the District's Technology

*Mr. Chase presented a power point presentation regarding district technology. The proposed upgrades will include:*

- *Virtual File servers*
- *Email upgrade*
- *Emerson court wireless equipment upgrade*
- *Temperature Sensors in MDF & IDF Rooms*
- *Fire Suppression system*

*This cost of this project totals \$423,358.99*

*Mr. Allsworth moved to approve item E. 3, Ms. Bliss seconded*

*Dr. Marston asked about the Vendors used. Mr. Chase explained that although the process requires working through a network of vendors, he is confident we are receiving the best possible prices.*

*Dr. Marston suggested a possible partnership with the City of Phoenix and/or ASU for wireless coverage.*

*Motion was approved unanimously*

*Mr. Lind thanked Mr. Chase for all his hard work.*

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

1. Request for Governing Board to Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Parenting Arizona

*Mr. Lind addressed item F.1. He reported that Sara Marcum is working to bring more opportunities for our Phoenix Elementary School District #1 parents. Parenting Arizona, offers parenting classes to help our parents further develop their skills, and knowledge in child development, literacy and communication, as well as identifying community resources.*

*Mr. Allsworth moved to approve item F. 1, Ms. Bliss seconded*

*Dr. Stark inquired as to who will provide the training. Mr. Lind explained that the trainers are qualified partners with Chicanos Por la Causa. He further stated that he will provide further information at the December board meeting.*

*Ms. Roa suggested having parents present.*

*Motion was approved unanimously*

2. Request for Governing Board to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County Education Service Agency (MCESA) to Implement the Rewarding Excellence in Instruction & Leadership – The Next Generation (REIL-TNG) Teacher Incentive Fund Grant.

*Ms. Roa spoke of the importance to consider HB2823 when dealing with the sharing of evaluation results.*

*A brief update of the professional development sessions held recently with teachers was provided.*

*Mr. Allsworth suggested discussing confidentiality issues with district counsel.*

*Mr. Perry Young, instructional assistant at Shaw, speaking on behalf of himself, commented on item F.2 and stated that he hopes there is continued open dialogue among all parties involved.*

*After discussion, it was determined to bring this item forward at a later date.*

3. Request for Governing Board to Approve the Teacher and Principal Evaluation Instruments and the Percentage of the Evaluation in Accordance with the Framework Adopted by the State Board of Education Pursuant to 15-203, Subsection A, Paragraph 38, Arizona Revised Statutes

*Ms. Bliss moved to approve item F.3, Mr. Allsworth seconded*

*Motion was approved unanimously*

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

1. None

**H. Board Reports and Requests**

1. Request to Approve the First Governing Board Meeting in 2013 to be held on January 17, 2013  
*After discussion it was decided the first Governing Board Meeting will be held January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013.*

**I. Adjournment**

*Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.*

Respectfully submitted by:

X *Ruth Ann Marston*

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Dr. Ruth Ann Marston

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