

**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
March 14th, 2013**

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Meeting in the Governing Board room at Emerson Court, 1817 N. Seventh Avenue, Phoenix , Arizona 85006

Other board Members present were:

Mr. Doug Allsworth Dr. Louisa Stark Ms. Susan Benjamin Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell

Also present were:

Dr. Myriam Roa Superintendent	Mr. Tom Lind Assistant Superintendent	Ms. Lillian Hameed Board Secretary
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A. Regular Session – 6:15 p.m.

1. Call to Order – Dr. Ruth Ann Marston, President
 2. Pledge of Allegiance – Nadine Gofonia
 3. Music Performance by Dunbar students
6th, 7th and 8th grade students performed several spirited selections under the guidance of Ms. April Pettit, music teacher at Dunbar school.
 4. Adjourn to Executive Session
- Dr. Jannasch-Pannell moved to adjourn to Executive session, Mr. Allsworth seconded Motion was approved unanimously**

Meeting was adjourned to Executive session at 6:30 p.m.

B. Executive Session

§38-431.03.5. Discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations with employee organizations regarding the salaries, salary schedules or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of employees of the public body.

1. Receive and Discuss the Meet and Confer Salaries, Proposals and Budget Impact
2. Adjourn to Regular Session

Meeting was adjourned to Regular session at 7:34 pm

C. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Governing Board Minutes for January 10, 2013, January 24, 2013 and February 14, 2013
2. Ratification of Payroll \$1,899,074.87 and Expense Vouchers \$1,411,138.40 in the Total Amount of \$3,310,213.27

3. Request for Governing Board to Approve Sole Source Vendor Arizona Science Center for 2012-2013 School Year
4. Request for Governing Board to Approve Out of State Travel
5. Request for Governing Board to Approve Out of District/State Field Trips for Herrera, Shaw and Faith North Schools
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

Mr. Allsworth moved to approve the consent agenda, with noted additions to item C.4, Dr. Jannasch-Pennell seconded

Motion was passed unanimously

D. Community Communications

Ms. Garthanne de Ocampo thanked the Board for allowing her to participate as hostess in the Coronado Home Tour which included the new Board room at Emerson Court.

E. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Myriam M. Roa

1. Awards and Recognitions
2. Announcements

Mr. Lind announced the District track meet and stated that he will report on the results at a future Board Meeting.

Mr. Lind also announced Salon Des Enfants, Phoenix Elementary School District's Children's Art Exhibit, scheduled to take place Friday, March 15th, 2013, at the Alwun House, 1204 E. Roosevelt, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. The judges awarded the Grand Prize to Sergio Duran, a student at Capitol School. This years' show was dedicated to Sergio who is currently in an induced coma after a fall.

Dr. Roa presented a short video of teachers, guest readers and children participating in the Read across America program with "The Cat in the Hat". Dr. Marston and Dr. Roa read to the children at Dunbar, and Ms. Benjamin read to the children at Magnet.

Dr. Roa announced the cancellation of the scheduled March 28th, 2013 Board meeting.

F. Curriculum & Instruction – Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request for Governing Board to Receive and Discuss the 2012-2013 Continuous Improvement Plans for Emerson and Shaw Schools

Ms. Lucia Paz, principal at Emerson School, provided a power point presentation of Emerson's School-wide Continuous Improvement Plan. She discussed her school's vision and mission, reporting a letter grade of C with a Federal Identification of a Focus School. She went on to present her SW/CIP Reform Model, outlining the Response to Intervention (RTI) process, and the strategies used. Ms. Paz further discussed her Focus Plan, which is to use aligned curriculum, effective instruction with the use of formative as well as student assessment data, and promoting a positive school climate focused on achievement. Community engagement and effective school leadership was also emphasized. Ms. Paz then discussed the reading data, showing a 50% increase in Language Sound Fluency (LSF) from the Fall Benchmark 2012, to the Winter Benchmark 2013 for kindergarten and 1st grade students. Improvements were also noted in reading and math data for grades 2 through 6. Ms. Paz then went on to outline the SW/CIP budget.

Ms. Nadine Gofonia, principal at Shaw School, then presented her schools' School Wide Continuous Improvement Plan. Shaw is also reporting a letter grade of C with a Federal Identification of a Focus School. Ms. Gofonia discussed the AIMS reading and math challenges, noting how the percentages of students' passing have fluctuated over the last few years. Ms. Gofonia presented strategies to create an environment for academic success, which is to strengthen instruction with an aligned and rigorous curriculum that is engaging and relevant. To provide small group instruction with structured team time, professional learning Wednesdays, LOI training, and the use of consultants and a math coach. Ms. Gofonia also discussed additional interventions, through the use of reading interventionists and RTI assessments.

She went on to state that it is important to establish a culture of success for students and staff by promoting a positive school climate by celebrating achievements and including family and community. With this in mind learning communities meet several times a week to improve student learning. The schools' leaders are active participants in the schools' professional learning, that being a top priority for all staff. Shaw reclassified 34% of the English Language Learners and highly qualified teachers are secured and intend to return, which is reason for celebration.

Both Ms. Paz from Emerson and Ms. Gofonia from Shaw discussed the use of their budgets, with the bulk of the funds going to direct instruction, followed by instructional support.

Dr. Jannasch-Pennell stated how impressed she was with how many teachers are retained at Shaw, and would like information on how attrition, math coaches and professional development have influenced those retentions. She also requested to see behavioral data.

Ms. Gofonia stated that she would provide that information and went on to praise the LOI and professional development the district has provided.

2. Request for Governing Board to Hear Policies JFAA and JFAB as a First Reading

Mr. Lind spoke to item F.2 and stated that he will be part of the enrollment process as to how this is documented.

Dr. Marston requested that consideration be given to those parents who would prefer to be called Native Americans rather than Indians.

Mr. Lind stated that he would provide an update at the April 11th Board meeting.

G. Business Services – Larry Weeks, Assistant Superintendent

1. None

H. Human Resources – Dr. Myriam Roa, Superintendent

1. Request for Approval for Governing Board to Approve Termination of Certificated Teacher N. Wooten Pursuant to ARS 15-550

Dr. Roa noted the charges against Ms. Wooten which constituted grounds for dismissal.

Mr. Allsworth moved to approve item H. 1, Ms. Benjamin seconded Motion was passed unanimously. Dr. Roa then signed the termination document.

I. Board Reports and Requests

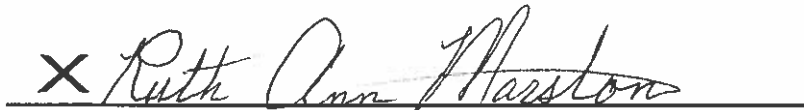
There were no reports or requests.

J. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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 602-257-2912. This notice posted pursuant to A.R.S. §38.431.02. **The next Governing Board meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 6:15 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by:



Dr. Ruth Ann Marston
Board President, Phx. Elem. School Dist. #1