



**Minutes of Governing Board Regular Meeting
May 29th, 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 Mr. Tom Lind Mr. Larry Weeks Lillian Hameed
Superintendent Assistant Assistant Board Secretary
Superintendent Superintendent

A. Regular Session - 6:15 p.m.

1. Call to order - Dr. Ruth Ann Marston

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance - Jason Hammond

B. Approval of Consent Agenda

Recommend approval of consent agenda

Motion by Doug Allsworth, second by Louisa Stark.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ruth Ann Marston, Doug Allsworth, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

1. Approval of Governing Board Minutes for April 11, 2013

2. Ratification of Payroll \$4,193.00 and Expense Vouchers \$886,340.83 in the total amount of \$890,533.83

3. Request for Governing Board to Approve the Financial Reports for Student Activity Funds for April 2013.

4. Request for Governing Board to Approve the Resolution to allow Maricopa County Superintendent of Schools Office as the Chief Disbursing Office for all Wage Garnishments
5. Request for Governing Board to Approve the Sole Source Vendor under the \$50,000.00 Competitive Sealed Bid Threshold
6. Request for Governing Board to Authorize and Issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Educational Consultants for consultant services for Science, Assessment and Data
7. Request for Approval of Renewal Agreement with the National Center for Urban School Transformation (NCUST) Affiliated with San Diego State University to Provide a Professional Learning Community for Principal Leadership
8. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff
9. Request for Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position
10. Request for Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements
11. Request for Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absence
12. Approval of Consent Agenda

C. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Myriam M. Roa

1. Award and Recognitions

Dr. Roa announced the Celebration of Achievement of the University of Arizona Pharm Camp, in which Lowell students participated. The celebration will take place Friday May 31st, 2013, from 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Roa reported that the promotions have been wonderful. She stated that the 8th grade students are becoming more confident and more adept at their studies with more students than ever passing the Algebra Qualifying Test. A report on that will be presented when more data is available.

Dr. Roa also reported on her trip to Texas, and again congratulated Magnet Traditional School for being awarded the NCUST Bronze award. Magnet is the first Arizona public school to receive this award.

Dr. Marston reported that at the request of the Board, Mr. Ben Barcon, of ADM, applied for the 2013 Governor's Heritage Preservation Honor Award for the Emerson Court Historic Restoration Project. We

have been informed that the Emerson Court Historic Restoration Project has been selected to receive this award, presented by the Arizona State Parks Department. The award will be presented at a luncheon at the Hilton Phoenix East/Mesa in Mesa, Arizona on June 14th, 2013 at 12:00 P.M.

2. Announcements

D. Community Communications

Community communications were addressed during the discussions on F1. and F4.

Item taken out of order

F. Business Services - Larry Weeks, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request for Governing Board to Receive, Discuss and take possible action on the Bell Schedule for FY 13-14

Sara Gorin, spoke to item F1 regarding the Bell schedule noting how inconvenient this was for parents of 3 and 4 year olds who do not qualify for PEER.

Mr. Weeks discussed the Bell schedule with noted changes, mainly the suggestion to extend PEER services, creating a program for 3 and 4 year olds, whose parents both work, beginning at 7:45, with the bell schedule remaining as presented.

Karin Bayless requested that 3 and 4 year olds with 1 working parent be included in the plan to extend PEER services.

Mr. Weeks went on to discuss the timeline of events regarding the meetings he had with Faith North regarding this issue. He recommended that the Board accept this proposal.

There is a question as to whether there is room to accommodate the younger children at Faith North and Shaw. Mr. Weeks will address this issue in a Board update.

Mr. Perry Young spoke to the same issue with emphasis on its' effect on Shaw.

Mr. Allsworth discussed the reason for the change to the bell schedule, noting that change is always difficult and there may be people who are disappointed. However, in order to achieve the needed cost savings, this was necessary. He went on compliment Mr. Weeks for his hard work on this project.

Dr. Marston thanked the Faith North parents, teachers and Ms. Susan Engdall for their cooperation.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve the Bell Schedule.

Motion by Doug Allsworth, second by Susan Benjamin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ruth Ann Marston, Doug Allsworth, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

E. Curriculum & Instruction - Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request to Receive and Discuss the District's Strategic Plan – Blueprint for Student Success, and Possible Action

Mr. Lind spoke to the issue, stating that this is an opportunity for the Board to provide additional input into the District's Strategic Plan. There was one goal already approved for the coming year, that goal

being to provide leadership for improving the instructional program for our 8th grade students. Mr. Lind stated that as other goals are brought forward, he would like the opportunity to work with Sara Bresnahan to update the blueprint document and bring that back as Board update or at a future meeting.

F. Business Services - Larry Weeks, Assistant Superintendent

2. Request to introduce, discuss, amend if desired, and act on a resolution ordering and calling a special override election to be held on November 5, 2013. The draft resolution will be on file at the District office at least 24 hours prior to the Meeting.

Mr. Weeks introduced Ms. Erika Miller, and Mr. Fred Rosenfeld, to discuss the override election, to be held November 5th, 2013. The override would begin in FY 2014/15.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board; Introduce, discuss, amend if desired, and act on a resolution ordering and calling a special override election to be held on November 5, 2013. The draft resolution will be on file at the District office at least 24 hours prior to the Meeting.

Motion by Doug Allsworth, second by Susan Benjamin.

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Mr. Rosenfeld stated that there must be a clerk assigned for the signing of the document. Dr. Stark has been and remains to be that person.

3. Discuss and take possible action on a statement in favor of the District's Maintenance and Operations Override Election

Dr. Stark proposed a change in the wording of the document, with specific attention given to the bulleted points in the statement aligning with the bulleted points on the ballot. These changes/revisions will be addressed at the next Board meeting. After discussion concerning possible revisions of bullet points, it is agreed, by general consent, that this item be referred back to Administration.

4. Receive and Discuss possible responses to the Affordable Healthcare Act

Mr. Perry Young speaking on behalf of PECTA, commented on this issue, requesting everyone be kept informed of such changes.

Dr. Marston stated that she, along with Ms. Stella Garcia was present at the discussion regarding this item.

Mr. Weeks thanked Stella Garcia and Rosalinda Ramirez for being part of the Budget Advisory Committee.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board discuss and possibly take action on reducing 6 hour employees to 5.5 hours per day, for FY13-14, except for employees who currently receive benefits.

Motion by Doug Allsworth, second by Louisa Stark.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ruth Ann Marston, Doug Allsworth, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

5. Request for Governing Board to Authorize and Issue a Request for Proposals for Architect Services Qualifications

Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve and issue a Request for Proposal for Architect Service Qualifications.

Motion by Louisa Stark, second by Susan Benjamin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ruth Ann Marston, Doug Allsworth, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

6. Request for Governing Board to Approve the Director of Principal Effectiveness

Dr. Roa spoke in reference to the reorganization of the departments as well as the new position of Director of Principal Effectiveness for which Dr. Gary Zehrbach is being recommended.

Dr. Stark requested that a job description of the Director of Principal Effectiveness be provided. Mr. Lind stated that will be presented at a Board update.

Dr. Benjamin would also like to have a resume of the applicants included in the future.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve Dr. Gary Zehrbach as the Director of Principal Effectiveness

Motion by Louisa Stark, second by Angel Pennell.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ruth Ann Marston, Doug Allsworth, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

G. Board Reports and Requests

1. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if Necessary)

Dr. Pennell asked to have the presentations for the school improvement plans streamlined with more precise data.

Mr. Weeks stated that there is a display set up in in the conference room of the tablets which will be used for board docs.

2. Board Reports

None

H. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40

Respectfully submitted by:

X *Ruth Ann Marston*

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston

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