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**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting  
November 13, 2014**

**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    Mrs. Susan Benjamin    Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell**

*Also present were:*

<b>Dr. Myriam Roa</b> Superintendent	<b>Mr. Tom Lind</b> Assistant Superintendent	<b>Mr. Larry Weeks</b> Assistant Superintendent	<b>Jovanny Vasquez</b> Board Secretary
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**A. Regular Session - 6:15 p.m.**

1. Call to Order - Dr. Ruth Ann Marston

*Meeting was called to order at 6:19 PM*

2. Pledge of Allegiance - Herrera Student

3. Performance by Herrera Panther Guitar Ensemble

**B. Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Request for Governing Board to Approve Out of State Travel

2. Request Approval of Ratification of Payroll \$4,269,510.59 and Expense Vouchers \$1,669,761.48 in the total amount of \$5,939,272.07

3. Request Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff

4. Request Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position

5. Request Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements

6. Request Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absences

7. Request Approval/Ratification of Emergency Actions (if necessary)

8. Request Approval of Consent Agenda

*Recommend approval of consent agenda*

**Motion by Doug Allsworth, second by Angel Pennell.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

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

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

1. Awards and Recognitions

*Jason introduced and spoke a little about why they were nominated as the S.T.A.R. award winners for the month of October. The winners were Teresa Carreon and Dana Ramos from Faith North School and Erika Hidalgo and Denise Standage from Shaw school.*

2. Announcements

*Dr. Myriam Roa spoke about to the new AzMERIT (Arizona Measurement of educational Readiness for Informing Teaching) Assessment and she was not sure how it would affect the school district just yet but would keep the board informed and updated as new details come in.*

*Dr. Myriam Roa updated the Governing Board on all the hard work that had to be done to get the performance based pay out by November 20, 2014. She also thanked her team for all their effort.*

*Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell asked about who has access to the masked teacher files passed around the district to which Dr. Myriam Roa replied that only the district and the department of education have access to it.*

*Dr. Ruth Ann Marston expressed her feelings and thanked the cabinet for all the effort in making changes to the evaluation process and how she is seeing the improvements of all these changes in the teachers.*

**D. Community Communications**

1. Community Communications

**E. Curriculum & Instruction - Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent**

1. Request Approval for Out of District Field Trip

*Students Stephanie Gonzales, Maria Rodrigues and parent Andrea Jackson spoke to the Board about why the Board should approve this out of state travel. They expressed all the great learning benefits that they would gain from traveling to Paris, France.*

*The Governing Board asked the Etiquette Club what funding sources they would use to pay for the trip to which they replied that they plan on using tax credit donations, fundraising and parents of the individual students would provide the difference.*

*Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve Out of District Field Trip for Kenilworth.*

**Motion by Doug Allsworth, second by Susan Benjamin.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

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

## 2. Receive and Discuss the District's Technology Needs Assessment

*Mr. Tom Lind spoke about the issue with the district technology needs. Mr. Lind presented a Powerpoint providing data collected from our schools stating the larger demand of technology needs in our schools.*

*Sara Marcum and Denise McCloughlin presented tools that would improve student technology knowledge and stated that most of our students do not have the knowledge on how to use the different technologies available to them. They also stated that most of our 8th graders don't even know how to use a computer correctly and or how to use its hardware and software. Mr. Tom Lind urged that we start implementing more technology literacy skills in our classrooms.*

*Mr. Lind asked for the board to consider upgrading the network and software and software access to our schools. He also presented survey results that were given to teachers on the technology available to them.*

*Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell asked which staff members who were surveyed to which Mr. Lind replied that 78/ 500 different employees were surveyed from our various schools. Dr. Pennell thanked Tom and his group for their presentation. Dr. Pennell supported the future growth of the school district technology needs and asked about she would like to see how the teachers evaluate on their knowledge in using the technology available to them.*

*Sara spoke about the technology integration matrix (TIM) awards for teachers using technology*

*Paul Chase informed the Board about the needs to upgrade the network infrastructure at all of our sites with the exception of faith north and magnet.*

*Mr. Lind wrapped up the PowerPoint with saying that more information is still needed and will need more time to be brought up to the board before making any changes to the network structure.*

## **F. Business Services - Larry Weeks, Assistant Superintendent**

1. Request Approval for authorization to create a request for proposal to upgrade the network infrastructure and wireless equipment at Emerson Court, Emerson, Heard, Lowell, and Magnet

*Mr. Doug Allsworth asked what will be upgraded here at Emerson Court, and if this would improve it and last longer or just be a momentary fix.*

*Paul Chase suggested upgrading the back bone switches the access points talked and also spoke to the issue to why we need to upgrade the technology.*

*Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell offered ways to lower the cost of upgrading the network infrastructure by partnering with ASU to obtain discounts with different vendors.*

*Dr. Louisa Stark spoke about how we do need upgrade to the hardware and how she has seen these recurring problems and the needs to upgrade technology in our schools and would like to see these problems resolved.*

*Mr. Doug Allsworth cautioned the district on buying tech just to buy tech and would like to see the input from our parents and students. Mr. Allsworth would also like to see the focus on teaching our students and wouldn't like to see the demand to have tech get in the way of the learning for our students.*

*Susan Benjamin spoke about how this would show student achievement outcome with the new learning products. Mrs. Benjamin would also like to see expectations put on the teachers on how they have to use their new hardware. Mrs. Benjamin strongly urged for teachers to use their tech to its maximum.*

*Mr. Weeks spoke about why we need to upgrade our network and how it would improve the district*

*Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve the creation of a request for proposal to upgrade the network infrastructure and wireless equipment at the district office and 4 schools at an approximate cost of \$590,000.00*

**Motion by Angel Pennell, second by Susan Benjamin.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

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

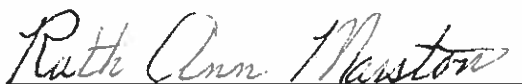
### **G. Board Reports and Requests**

1. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)
2. Board Reports

### **H. Adjournment**

*Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm*

Respectfully submitted:



Dr. Ruth Ann Marston  
Governing Board President