



**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
October 29, 2015**

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:

Dr. Louisa Stark Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell Mrs. Susan Benjamin Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy

Also present were:

Dr. Myriam Roa Superintendent	Mr. Tom Lind Assistant Superintendent	Mr. Larry Weeks Assistant Superintendent	Jovanny Cervantes Board Secretary
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A. Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order - Dr. Ruth Ann Marston

Meeting called to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Dylan Romero, Kenilworth Student

Dylan Romero led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Request Approval of Governing Board Minutes for September 10 and September 24, 2015

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

3. Request Approval for Out of District Field Trip

4. Request Approval or Ratification of Payroll \$2,065,914.85 and Expense Vouchers \$1,035,355.40 in the total amount of \$3,101,270.25

5. Administration recommends the Governing Board Approve the Student Activity Funds as listed for September 2015.

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

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

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

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

10. Request Approval of Consent Agenda

Recommend approval of consent agenda

Motion by Susan Benjamin, second by Louisa Stark.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daniil Gunitskiy, Ruth Ann Marston, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

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

1. Awards and Recognitions

Dr. Roa spoke about the National Board Pre-candidates and those schools participating. Phoenix Elementary Cohort - National Board Teacher Certification pre-candidacy class kicked off on October 14, 2015.

Dr. Roa spoke about Heard School who had a successful STEM Night - Noche de Ciencias on October 16, 2015.

Dr. Roa spoke about the Herrera Thelonious Monk Institute Music Assembly and Clinic occurred on October 21, 2015.

Dr. Roa spoke about the Kenilworth 95th Anniversary, which was held on October 24, 2015.

Dr. Roa spoke about Emerson judging of the Science Fair on October 27, 2015.

Dr. Roa spoke about the Bethune Mural.

2. Announcements

Dr. Roa announced that the Emerson School Trick or Treat would be coming along Friday October 30th.

D. Community Communications

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E. Executive Session

1. Receive and Discuss Meet & Confer for 2015-2016

2. Receive and Discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation

F. Curriculum & Instruction - Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Receive and Discuss Kenilworth School's Etiquette Club Trip to Paris

Mr. Lind introduced Kathleen Ford and Roberta Martinez who presented to the Governing Board a presentation about Kenilworth's Etiquette Clubs filed trip to Paris France.

2. Request approval of an out of district field trip for Kenilworth's Etiquette Club to China in May 2016.

A few parents expressed their support to have the students of Kenilworth's Etiquette Club travel to China.

Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy stated that it was a wonderful opportunity for the students to travel to China.

Dr. Stark was glad to see all the good work Ms. Kathleen Ford was doing with the Etiquette Club.

Ms. Adrianna Gomez expressed her feeling as to why it would be the greatest experience and opportunity to travel to China with the Etiquette Club.

Mr. Aaron Hicks, a parent of one of the students in the Etiquette Club, came before the governing board and shared his support as to why the student of Kenilworth should be offered the opportunities to explore and experience travel to China.

Mrs. Benjamin asked how they chose China to be the new location to travel to?

Ms. Kathleen Ford stated that Asian etiquette was part of their lessons as well as European etiquette.

Dr. Angel Pennell asked what the requirements were to join Etiquette Club?

Ms. Kathleen Ford shared the requirements of the Etiquette Club.

** Recommendation*

** Interview*

** Essay about why they would like to join the Etiquette Club*

** Selection done by the Etiquette Club instructor*

Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve Out of District Field Trip for Kenilworth's Etiquette Club to China in May 2016.

Motion by Angel Pennell, second by Louisa Stark.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daniil Gunitskiy, Ruth Ann Marston, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

3. Receive, Discuss and possible action Regarding the City of Phoenix's Choice Neighborhoods proposed Grant Application

Mr. Lind spoke to the issue.

Ms. Michelle Zazueta came before the Governing Board to introduce the new HUD Choice Neighborhood Grant Program.

Dr. Marston stated that the Governing Board would be more than happy to assist them in any way but would like to see a more informational report before moving forward.

4. Request Approval of Agreement with Phoenix Union High School District (PUHSD) and the Science Foundation Arizona (SFAz) for a 7th and 8th Grade STEM Project, Not to Exceed Three District Schools

Mr. Lind spoke to the issue.

Mr. Juvinal Lopez spoke about the great opportunities the Phoenix Coding Academy will offer the students in the new school year.

Dr. Marston asked which other schools districts would be participating.

Mrs. Benjamin expressed her enthusiasm for the new program.

Dr. Pennell thanked Mr. Lopez for coming to present and shared her excitement of seeing our districts working together.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve the agreement with Phoenix Union High School District and the Science Foundation Arizona for a STEM Project for the 2015-2016 School Year

Motion by Susan Benjamin, second by Daniil Gunitskiy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daniil Gunitskiy, Ruth Ann Marston, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

G. Business Services - Larry Weeks, Assistant Superintendent

H. Board Reports and Requests

1. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary) - Possible action regarding proposed change of 3rd and 5th Avenues to two-way streets

Dr. Marston spoke about the letter the Governing Board wrote to the City of Phoenix about the possible action regarding proposed changes of 3rd and 5th Avenues to two-way streets.

Dr. Marston stated that the changes may create big problems for the school and surrounding neighborhood.

Mrs. Benjamin stated that she was disappointed by the data presented by the City of Phoenix during their public meeting held on October 22nd.

Motion by Louisa Stark, second by Angel Pennell

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy abstained from the vote.

2. Appointment of Governing Board Clerk

Dr. Marston appointed Dr. Pennell as Governing Board Clerk.

The Governing Board asked Cabinet to add to the agenda for the November 12th meeting to speak about the School Board Governance and Operations.

3. Board Reports

Mrs. Benjamin spoke about new Arizona testing.

Dr. Pennell informed about her participation in the Second Annual Adverse Childhood Experienced hosted by the Children's Hospital.

Dr. Marston asked for a motion to move into Executive Session.

Motion by Louisa Stark, second by Susan Benjamin

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Daniil Gunitskiy, Ruth Ann Marston, Susan Benjamin, Angel Pennell, Louisa Stark

I. Adjournment

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Meeting was adjourned at 9:38p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

X Ruth Ann Marston

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston

Board President, Phoenix Elementary School District #1