



**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
April 21, 2016**

Dr. Louisa Stark presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Meeting in the Governing Board room at Faith North, 910 E Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85034

Other Board Members present were:

Dr. Ruth Ann Marston Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell Mrs. Susan Benjamin Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy

Also present were:

Dr. Myriam Roa-Reifers Superintendent	Mr. Tom Lind Assistant Superintendent	Mr. Larry Weeks Assistant Superintendent	Jovanny Cervantes Board Secretary
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A. Regular Session – 9:00AM

1. Call to Order - Dr. Louisa Stark

Meeting called to order at 9:08 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance –Dr. Myriam Roa-Reifers

Dr. Roa-Reifers led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion by Ruth Ann Marston, second by Susan Benjamin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Adjourned to executive session at 9:14a.m

B. Executive Session

1. A.R.S. §38-431/3(A)(3) and (A)(4) The Governing Board may recess into executive session to obtain legal advice from the attorney of the public body and to provide direction to the attorney regarding personnel matters.

2. The Governing Board may recess to executive session for the purpose of discussion or consideration of possible appointment of the Superintendent pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.1 which states as follows: employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal,

salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of any public body, except that, with the exception of salary discussions, an officer, appointee or employee may demand that the discussion or consideration occur at a public meeting. The public body shall provide the officer, appointee or employee with written notice of the executive session as is appropriate but not less than twenty-four hours for the officer, appointee or employee to determine whether the discussion or consideration should occur at a public meeting.

3. Resume to Study Session

Resumed regular session at 10:23 a.m.

C. Study Session

1. Study Session Regarding Governing Board Policies pertaining to employment/hiring of personnel

2. Request Approval to Accept Notice of Resignation of Superintendent Services

Ms. Rosalinda Ramirez came before the Governing Board to share her feelings about the change in superintendents. Ms. Ramirez on behalf of PECTA recommended Mr. Weeks as the next superintendent.

Motion by Ruth Ann Marston, second by Susan Benjamin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

3. Receive, discuss and take possible action on the approval of appointment of Superintendent for the 2016-2017 school year and authorization to the attorney to begin contract negotiations

The Governing Board after much consideration and full support appointed Mr. Weeks as the new acting CEO of Phoenix Elementary District for the 2016-2017 school year and authorization to the attorney to begin contract negotiations.

Mr. Weeks shared a few words.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board Receive, discuss and take possible action on the approval of appointment of Superintendent for the 2016-2017 school year and give the attorney authorization to begin contract negotiations

Motion by Angel Pennell, second by Susan Benjamin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

D. Board Reports and Requests

1. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)

Mrs. Benjamin spoke about the process of choosing a new superintendent. Mrs. Benjamin also requested a future agenda item that would include more input from the community into the superintendent selection process.

Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy shared a few words as to why it is a great choice to have Mr. Weeks as the CEO of Phoenix Elementary.

Dr. Pennell stated that they all have the confidence that Mr. Weeks has what it takes to be CEO for the School District.

Mr. Weeks congratulated Dr. Myriam Roa-Reifers for her years of service as the superintendent and recognized her for all the great work she was able to accomplish.

Dr. Stark added that she believes Mr. Weeks is a great candidate to be the CEO of Phoenix Elementary.

Mr. Weeks recognized Dr. Roa-Reifers and Mr. Lind for all the great work they have accomplished together and said he looked forward to all the great work to come.

2. Board Reports

E. Adjournment

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Motion by Angel Pennell, second by Daniil Gunitskiy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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Dr. Louisa Stark

Board President, Phoenix Elementary School District #1