
**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
August 25, 2016**

Dr. Louisa Stark 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. Ruth Ann Marston **Dr. Angel Jannasch-Pennell** **Mrs. Susan Benjamin**

Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy

Also present were:

Mr. Larry Weeks

Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Tom Lind

Assistant

Superintendent

Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo

Assistant

Superintendent

Jovanny Cervantes

Board Secretary

A. Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order - Dr. Louisa Stark

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Tom Lind

Mr. Lind led us in the pledge of allegiance.

B. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Request Approval of Governing Board Minutes for July 14, 2016

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

3. Request Approval of the Student Placement Agreement for Social Workers Between the Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Arizona State University and Phoenix Elementary School District #1

4. Request Approval of the Renewal Agreement with Big Smiles Arizona, Dr. Robert L. Birdwell, DDS, for Mobile Dental Clinics at District Schools for the 2016-2017 School Year

5. Request Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Boy Scouts of America for a Co-Ed Scouting and Soccer Program at Heard School
6. Request Approval of Renewal Agreement between Public Consulting Group (PCG) and District for Medicaid School Based Claiming Program: Direct Service and Administrative Claiming
7. Request Approval or Ratification of Payroll \$33,425.80 and Expense Vouchers \$401,553.09 in the total amount of \$434,978.89
8. Request Approval of the Financial Reports for Student Activity Funds as listed for July 2016
9. Request Approval of the Gifts, Donations and Grants as listed through May and June 2016
10. Request Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff
11. Request Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position
12. Request Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements
13. Request Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absences
14. Request Approval/Ratification of Emergency Actions (if necessary)

Recommend approval of consent agenda

Motion by Angel Pennell, second by Daniil Gunitskiy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

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C. Chief Executive Officer's Report - Larry Weeks

1. Awards and Recognitions
2. Announcements

3. Post MCESA / REIL Update

Mrs. Garthanne de Ocampo gave a quick update on the number of student currently enrolled in Preschool and about its successful relocation to Faith North campus.

Dr. Marston stated that she had never seen Mrs. de Ocampo so happy before and it was all thanks to the relocation of Preschool Programs to Faith North Elementary School.

Mrs. Benjamin stated that she noticed wonderful changes the first time she had visited the Faith North campus and was amazed by all the great work that has been done in such a short time.

Mrs. de Ocampo spoke about the Child Find Program.

Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy stated that this was a great accomplishment for this School District on how fast and successful the Preschool Program was relocated to Faith North.

Mr. Weeks thanked Mrs. de Ocampo for all her hard work.

Mr. Weeks stated that the Southwest Institute of Montessori Information Meeting would be held on August 27, 2016 at 10:00 am at the Shaw Montessori School.

Mr. Lind spoke to the STEM 20/20 Teacher Camp on September 7-8, 2016 at the Tonto Camp

Mr. Weeks spoke about the Imagine Learning - Math & Literacy Forum on September 14, 2016 at Kenilworth School from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm.

Mr. Weeks spoke about Constitution Day on September 17, 2016.

Mr. Weeks stated that the new Board Meeting Dates were set for September 1st and September 15th.

Mr. Weeks spoke about the possible changes at 3rd and 5th Avenues.

Dr. Marston asked that the Governing Board send a formal letter thanking the city for hiring a consultant to work with the school district to choose a 3rd option.

Mrs. Benjamin thanked Armando and Dr. Marston.

Mr. Weeks asked the Governing Board if they would allow a Board Meeting to be scheduled on September 29, 2016 in order to adopt the new budget. The meeting would be held at 9a.m. at Emerson Court.

D. Community Communications

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E. Curriculum & Instruction - Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Informational Student Data Presentations - Shaw Montessori & Magnet Traditional School

Mr. Lind thanked the GB for approving the purchase of new computers and thanked Troy and Rocky for all their hard work.

Mr. Lind introduced the Principals presenting for the night.

Mr. Walker gave an update on Magnet Traditional School.

Mr. Walker began by giving the Mission and Vision of Magnet Traditional:

MTS provides a quality education for all students by promoting academic excellence, self-discipline, and respect for individuality.

Vision: MTS is an excelling school that provides an A+ education for all students.

Mr. Walker shared a video about the daily life at Magnet Traditional.

Mr. Walker shared Magnet Traditional Assessment Data.

Mr. Walker spoke about the Top Six Initiatives at Magnet traditional that included:

#1 Initiative Bi-weekly Common Formative Assessments in reading and math.

#2 Initiative Focus on Academic Vocabulary in All Subject Areas.

#3 Initiative Focus on student engagement and KAGAN Engagement Strategies.

#4 Initiative Standardizing effective math instruction school wide.

#5 Initiative Standardizing ELA instruction school wide.

#6 Initiative Standardizing Science instruction school wide.

Mr. Walker shared the Continues Improvement plan which is that The Magnet Traditional School leadership team will provide teachers with ongoing professional development in order to enhance effective instruction as well as build leadership capacity.

Mr. Walker also stated that the Leadership team also provides support to classroom teachers by modeling, planning lessons, and suggesting research based instructional strategies that will increase student learning and achievement.

Mr. Walker shared his methods to having a successful school which included:

- ***Have systems in place***
 - *(common formative assessments, academic vocabulary, meeting notes, daily interventions, Multi-Tiered Systems of Support, etc.)*
- ***Be consistent with those systems***
 - *(daily walkthroughs, weekly collaborative team meetings, data analysis, immediate feedback to staff, etc.)*
- ***Communicate with the staff, the students, the community***
 - *(weekly collaborative team meetings, individual accountability meetings, student goal setting, parent volunteer contracts, etc.)*

The Governing Board all thanked Mr. Walker for a wonderful presentation.

Ms. Susan Engdall began by giving the Mission and Vision of Shaw Montessori.

Ms. Engdall stated that their Mission was to provide a solid academic foundation employing the philosophy of Maria Montessori within a respectful, loving and supportive community and that their Vision was to educate the human potential.

Ms. Engdall shared a short video.

Ms. Engdall shared Shaw Montessori Assessment Data.

Ms. Engdall shared the Continues Improvement plan for Shaw Montessori which is that Shaw Montessori would identify and implement strategies to strengthen and support the Montessori pedagogy in the areas of theory and teacher preparation. Ms. Engdall also stated that the leadership team will continue to support and communicate the need to adhere to these tenets during the face of change. Collaboration with Southwest Institute of Montessori Studies would provide opportunities for theory lectures, lesson presentations, opportunities for student teachers.

Dr. Marston asked what changes did the staff notice by adding Gym time in the morning.

Ms. Engdall stated that the children had more energy and were ready to transition into the learning environment.

F. Business Services - Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request Approval of a Public Hearing Set for September 15, 2016 on a Truth in Taxation Hearing and Ratify Publication of Notice of the Truth in Taxation Hearing, which is Being Published on September 02, 2016.

Dr. Hidalgo spoke to the issue.

The Administration recommends the Governing Board set September 15, 2016. Act to set September 15, 2016, at the hour of 6:00 PM, as the date and time for the public hearing on a Truth in Taxation hearing and ratify publication of Notice of the Truth in Taxation Hearing, which is being published on September 02, 2016.

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

2. Receive and Discuss Teacher Recruitment/Retention Update

Dr. Hidalgo and Mr. Hammond spoke to the issue.

Dr. Hidalgo thanked HR and Diane Wray for all their hard work they have done to hire Special Education teachers.

Mr. Hammond thanked the Governing Board for all their help.

Mr. Gunitskiy stated that it was wonderful to see a great teacher retention and asked if sites are sharing practices to increase teacher retention.

Mrs. Benjamin congratulated HR for their great efforts in teacher recruitments but asked that after teacher leveling they take a moment to let the Special Education teachers know how much their work is appreciated and needed.

Mrs. Benjamin asked that Cabinet look at the base salary for Special Education Teachers.

Mr. Weeks thanked HR, Payroll and MIS for all their hard work throughout the years.

3. Receive and Discuss Student Enrollment and Marketing Report

Ms. Sara Bresnahan thanked the following people for all their assistance and work: Troy Harris, Jeopardy LaRue, Nicole Squire, Amy Campbell, Sara Sims, Troung Troung, Rocky Berumen, Tish Martinez, Frances Rivas, Christina and Janice Durham, Pat Sanchez, Garthanne de Ocampo, Mary Sanchez and Claudia Cardenas, Yolanda Federico, Paul Chase, Anthony Parra, Armando Cuellar, Karen Hilton and the team over at Univision.

Ms. Bresnahan gave a brief presentation about the Student Enrollment and Marketing Report.

G. Board Reports and Requests

1. Board Direction to the Superintendent (if necessary)

2. Board Reports

H. Adjournment

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Meeting was adjourned at 7:55p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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Dr. Louisa Stark

Board President, Phoenix Elementary School District #1