

**Minutes of Regular Public Meeting  
September 15, 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:*

<b>Mr. Larry Weeks</b> Chief Executive Officer	<b>Mr. Tom Lind</b> Assistant Superintendent	<b>Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo</b> Assistant Superintendent	<b>Jovanny Cervantes</b> Board Secretary
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**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 – Mrs. Clare Okyere

*Mrs. Clare Okyere led us in the pledge of allegiance.*

3. Adjourn to Public Hearing

**B. Notice of Public Hearing**

1. Call for Public Hearing - Dr. Louisa Stark

2. Conduct a Public Hearing to present on the Truth in Taxation Hearing and Ratify Publication of Notice of the Truth in Taxation Hearing, published September 02, 2016 per Arizona Revised Statutes 15-905. B.D.

3. Resume to Regular Session

**C. Discuss if necessary and Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Request Approval of Governing Board Minutes for August 25, 2016
2. Request Approval for Out of District Field Trip
3. Request Approval of the Renewal Memorandum of Understanding with ThrivinGroup, representing Arts Integration Solutions, to Provide Fine Arts Integration Services and Professional Development to Herrera School for the 2016-2017 School Year
4. Request Approval or Ratification of Payroll \$2,058,165.71 and Expense Vouchers \$1,464,109.42 in the total amount of \$3,522,275.13
5. Request Approval for the Annual Renewal of Request for Proposal (RFP) and Invitation for Bid (IFB) Contracts for School Year 2016-2017
6. Request Approval of Sole Source Determination for Dell
7. Request Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff
8. Request Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position
9. Request Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements
10. Request Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absences
11. Request Approval/Ratification of Emergency Actions (if necessary)

*Recommend approval of consent agenda*

**Motion by Susan Benjamin, second by Daniil Gunitskiy.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

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

#### **D. Chief Executive Officer's Report - Larry Weeks**

##### **1. Awards and Recognitions**

*Mr. Weeks recognized the Summer Reading Program; the winner was Herrera School. The students read a cumulative 133,096 minutes; the runners up included Lowell, Shaw Montessori, Kenilworth, and Magnet Traditional.*

*Mr. Weeks recognized our August S.T.A.R. Award Peggy Sosh - Plant Services Specialist II*

*and Arcelia Torres Cohen - Central Kitchen Manager. Mr. Weeks shared a few words as to why they were nominated.*

## **2. Announcements**

*Mr. Weeks reminded the Governing Board that the next meeting would be on September 29, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Governing Board Room to approve the Annual Financial Report.*

*Mr. Weeks informed the Governing Board about the event at Herrera Elementary School on September 7, 2016. The AZ Cardinals Big Red surprised the kids with gifts and donations.*

## **3. REIL Score Update**

*Dr. Hidalgo gave a brief report about the MCESA REIL Score Update.*

## **E. Community Communications**

### **1. Community Communications**

*Ms. Kayla Brock spoke about the MCESA REIL Score.*

*Ms. Brock shared her story about her experience with the MCESA REIL Evaluators.*

## **F. Curriculum & Instruction - Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent**

### **1. Informational Student Data Presentations - Emerson and Whittier Schools**

*Mr. Lind introduced the Principals presenting for the night.*

*Mrs. Clare Okyere gave an update on Whittier Elementary School.*

*Mrs. Clare Okyere began by giving the Vision and Mission of Whittier Elementary:*

*Whittier Elementary is a safe, positive, productive environment where teachers love teaching and students love learning. Students, staff, and families work alongside one another as active learners. Students are engaged physically and mentally in the learning environment to develop the critical thinking skills needed to make a positive impact on their school, community, and world.*

#### *Mission*

*Provide a high-quality academic and social emotional foundation to push students to excel in school and in life.*

*Mrs. Okyere shared a video about the daily life at Whittier Elementary.*

*Mrs. Okyere shared Whittier Elementary Assessment Data.*

*Mrs. Okyere shared Whittier's Commitments which were:*

- \*We make student-centered decisions.*
- \*We speak positively to and about students, staff, and parents.*
- \*We research best practices and continually learn and grow as professionals.*
- \*We use data to drive our decisions.*
- \*We discuss solutions, not just problems.*
- \*We think outside the box and challenge the status quo.*
- \*We share ideas, resources, and materials in an effort to support ALL students.*

*Mrs. Okyere Thanked the Governing Board for all their support.*

*Ms. Lucia Raz gave an update on Emerson Elementary School.*

*Ms. Raz began by giving the Strategic Plan and Mission of Emerson Elementary:*

*Guiding Focus: provide prekindergarten through grade eight Signature & Community Schools that drive student achievement through our focus on quality instruction and ensuring that students are at the core of every decision made.*

*Mission: Every child is performing at grade level or above and prepared for high school.*

*Ms. Raz shared Emerson Elementary Assessment Data.*

*Ms. Raz thanked the Governing Board Members for their time.*

## **G. Business Services - Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo, Assistant Superintendent**

### **H. Board Reports and Requests**

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

Dr. Marston informed the other members that she attended the Imagine Learning seminar at Kenilworth School. Dr. Marston stated that she was very proud of the students and staff for hosting and providing classroom walkthroughs.

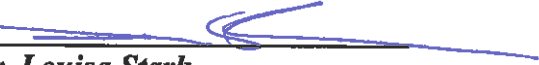
Dr. Angel Pennell asked Mr. Lind when the High School Night Would take place. Mr. Lind stated that the High School Night would be Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at Herrera School in the P.A.C.

**I. 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***