Minutes of Regular Public Meeting  
March 23, 2017

Mrs. Susan Benjamin presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Meeting in the Cafeteria at Dunbar Elementary, 707 W. Grant St, Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Other Board Members present were:
Dr. Ruth Ann Marston  Dr. Louisa Stark  Ms. Lynné Almy  Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy

Also present were:
Mr. Larry Weeks  Mr. Tom Lind  Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo  Jovanny Cervantes
Chief Executive Officer  Assistant Superintendent  Assistant Superintendent  Board Secretary

A. Regular Session - 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order – Mrs. Susan Benjamin

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance - Gail Harris

Dr. Gail Harris led us in the pledge of allegiance.

B. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Request Approval of Governing Board Minutes for January 31, 2017

2. Request Approval of Out of State Travel

3. Request Approval of Out of District Field Trip

4. Request Approval or Ratification of Payroll $2,165,044.20 and Expense Vouchers $1,436,095.23 in the total amount of $3,601,139.43

5. Request Approval or Ratification of Employment of Administrative, Certified and Support Staff
6. Request Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position

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

8. Request Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absences

9. Request Approval of Consent Agenda
   update made to the consent agenda to travel items
   update to curriculum audit in Houston Texas

Recommend approval of consent agenda

Motion by Ruth Ann Marston, second by Daniil Gunitskiy.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Daniil Gunitskiy, Ruth Ann Marston, Susan Benjamin, Louisa Stark, Lynné Almy

C. Chief Executive Officer's Report - Larry Weeks

1. Announcements

Ms. Kay Coleman provided an update on the 2025 Strategic Plan. Ms. Coleman stated that they have heard from over 860 voices including students, parents, former students now at PUHSD, staff and community members. The steering committee is in the process of conducting SWOT analysis and developing targeted goals.

Mr. Weeks gave a thanks to Mr. Parra for grilling the hotdogs, our food and nutrition team for their help tonight and to all the principals here for the Community Forum.

D. Community Communications

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E. Curriculum & Instruction - Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request Approval to Receive and Discuss Early Childhood Education

Mr. Lind announced that staff would be providing the Governing Board with an update on early childhood education programs in the District, including:

Child Find and Early Childhood Education Audit
Faith North Preschool
Planning for 2017-2018

Mrs. Garthanne De Ocampo and Mrs. Diane Wray spoke about the Early Childhood Education and Special Education Audit.
Mrs. Wray announced that she was very proud of the team at Faith North Elementary for all the work being done in Early Childhood Education and with the ChildFind Program.

Mrs. de Ocampo spoke about the progress being made in the areas of the ChildFind Program.

Mrs. de Ocampo shared a power point on the data for students being retained at the preschools.

Mrs. de Ocampo also shared the Disabilities Categories and the number of students in the Districts preschool classrooms.

Mrs. de Ocampo informed the Governing Board on which preschools were going to be moving over to Faith North for the following school year.

Mrs. de Ocampo shared the data on 16-17 District Pretest Reading data for kinder Disaggregated by Preschool entry Date. She also shared the data for kindergarten Galileo Performance - Pretest 2016-2017.

Mrs. de Ocampo shared the data for ChildFind Activity.

Dr. Marston asked if the number of kids coming in for testing were from in-District or out of District

Mrs. de Ocampo replied that only in-District children are tested and eligible for the ChildFind process.

Mrs. de Ocampo shared the Preschool Special Education Grant & IDEA Funds, and the Title 1 funding & support.

Ms. Almy asked about the student Teacher Ratio.

Mrs. de Ocampo stated that it usually is 20 but changes are made with their needs.

Dr. Stark asked Mrs. de Ocampo what an itinerant student was.

Mrs. de Ocampo replied that those are special needs students who are in Head Start programs where there are no special education teachers. Mrs. de Ocampo also added that an itinerant teacher goes out to those programs and provides services to them.

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

1. Request Approval to Receive and Discuss 1st Read of Governing Board Policy GBI-Staff Participation in Political Activities

Dr. Hidalgo announced that administration recommends that Governing Board Policy GBI-Staff Participation in Political Activities be received and discussed as a 1st reading.
Mrs. Benjamin opened the Item for discussion.

Dr. Hidalgo stated that she would bring this Item back for a second reading.

G. Board Reports and Requests

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Mrs. Benjamin requested a Study Session be placed on the calendar to speak on the findings of the Benefits Committee.

2. Future Agenda Items

H. Adjournment

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Meeting adjourned at 7:38p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Mrs. Susan Benjamin
Board President, Phoenix Elementary School District #1