Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
July 13, 2017

Mrs. Susan Benjamin presided over the PESD No. 1 Governing Board Meeting in the Governing Board room at Emerson Court, 1817 N. Seventh Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85006

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

Also present were:
Mr. Larry Weeks    Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Tom Lind      Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo  Superintendent
Monica Ortiz      Board Secretary

A. Regular Session - 9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order - Mrs. Susan Benjamin

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo

Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo led us in the pledge of allegiance.

3. Awards and Recognitions

Tom Lind spoke to the issue in regards to the Chinese Cultural Camp, and asked if anyone who attended wanted to comment. Ms. Lynné Almy was in attendance, and was impressed with the camp saying that the students learned so much in the 4 days that they were there. Tom mentioned this is the 20th year that Phoenix Elementary has participated.

Tom also gave a brief update on two conferences that staff members attended in June. They are the ITSE Conference, and the Family Education Conference. Lauren Ashmore spoke to the board on the ITSE Conference which was held in San Antonio, TX. She learned about the latest in Ed Tech, with over 20 thousand teachers, admin, and tech leaders in attendance. Lauren attended a session called Becoming Future Ready and got inspired for moving forward with the tech plan, and said the entire conference was very successful.
Kevin Sotomayor, Tom Lind, and Zeffy Magana spoke about the National Family and Community Engagement Conference and mentioned those in attendance, speakers, and workshops which was held in San Francisco, CA, and thanked everyone for the success of the conference. Larry Weeks, Dr. Marston and Tom Lind also gave their thanks.

4. Adjourn to Public Hearing

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

B. Public Hearing

1. Call for Public Hearing – Mrs. Susan Benjamin

2. Request Approval to Adopt the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget and the Allocation of monies related to an intended 1.06% teacher salary increase pursuant to Laws 2017, Ch. 305, §33

Dr. Rosanna spoke to the issue. Mr. Weeks spoke about the 1.06% increase and mentioned it will be targeted for teachers next year.

3. Resume to Regular Session

C. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Request Approval of Governing Board Minutes for May 11, 2017, May 25, 2017 and June 8, 2017

2. Request Approval or Ratification of Payroll $772,816.32 and Expense Vouchers $4,189,556.88 in the total amount of $4,962,373.20

3. Request Approval of Designated Administrators as Qualified Evaluators of Certificated Staff for the 2017-2018 School Year

4. Request Approval of Gifts, Donations and Grants as listed through May 2017

5. Request Approval for the Annual Renewal of Request for Proposal (RFP) and Invitation for Bid (IFB) Contracts for School Year 2017-2018

6. Request Approval of Sole Source Vendors for 2017-2018 School Year

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

8. Request Approval of Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements
9. Request Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position

10. Request Approval of Consent Agenda

*The Consent agenda was approved.*

**Motion by Daniil Gunitskiy, second by Ruth Ann Marston.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Yea: Daniil Gunitskiy, Ruth Ann Marston, Susan Benjamin, Louisa Stark, Lynné Almy**

D. Superintendent's Report - Larry Weeks

1. Announcements

*Dr. Hidalgo and Dr. Gary Zehrbach spoke about completing the TIF 4 agreement with MCESA, closing that door, and moving forward towards TIF 5 keeping the two grants separate. Dr. Hidalgo also explained the difference between the two grants. She said with the TIF 5, PEER evaluators will be optional per request from the teachers upon approval from the Principal. There will also be less testing as well as other changes. Dr. Gary Zehrbach presented and explained the detailed timeline of the payouts.*

*Dr. Marston asked to see the documentation. Dr. Hidalgo agreed. Mr. Weeks spoke about the grants and mentioned the plan is solid, and he challenged the teachers to send out an email to Dr. Hidalgo with any questions they may have.*

E. Community Communications

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*There were no Community Communications.*

F. Curriculum & Instruction - Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Receive and Discuss 2017 AzMERIT Results

*Tom Lind thanked the teachers, and coaches for attending the board meeting. Kathy Marston came forward to present a slideshow on the State Student Achievement Update, which included the Embargo Update and the Timeline Updates with descriptions. Kathy also gave the AzMERIT Updates. The Strand Details show that the student can only take notes online. Kathy spoke further on the presentation, and gave detailed information on numbers, scores and other pertinent information. Tom spoke to the board members regarding the issue.*

*Kathy Marston also presented information on the AIMS Science with a 3-year trend showing improvement on 4th grade trend, and a negative 8th grade trend with a 2% drop.*
G. Business Services - Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request Approval of Issuance of Purchase Order to ADM Group, Inc. for Architectural & Engineering Services for the upgrade to EMS/Control Systems at Dunbar, Capitol, and Herrera Schools.

Dr. Hidalgo spoke to the issue. She mentioned that Cobie Oja has been working with ADM to review the conditions of the Energy Management Systems with the goal of making sure we are one system versus several systems across the District.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board approve issuance of Purchase Order to ADM Group, Inc. for Architectural & Engineering Services for the upgrade to EMS/Control Systems at Dunbar, Capitol, and Herrera Schools.

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

2. Request Approval to Adopt the FY2017-2018 Budget as presented

Dr. Hidalgo stated there have been no changes to the outcome of the summary for the FY 2017-2018 budget.

Administration recommends that the Governing Board adopt the FY2017-2018 Budget as presented.

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

3. Discuss and take possible action on the District Board's statement in favor of the District's Maintenance and Operations Override Election

Dr. Hidalgo spoke to the issue. There was some language that was replicated from the previous M & O override. There were a couple of changes, and Dr. Hidalgo asked the Board members for recommendations on any other changes, as it will need to go to the County by August 10th. Dr. Marston asked to see the language that will be in the booklet that has been updated for this year, and suggested some other verbiage changes on the last bullet in the third paragraph. There was no vote.


Dr. Hidalgo spoke to the issue.

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

H. Board Reports and Requests

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Dr. Marston mentioned that the ASBA Legislative Agenda for the coming year is about to be established and is requesting and asking members from PESD to consider whether they want to be delegates to the Legislative Assembly on Saturday, September 9th. Dr. Marston said the purpose of the assembly is to establish what the ASBA and its' nonprofit affiliate will be lobbying for in the legislature in the coming year.

Dr. Marston reported that the district newsletter has a dedicated email address for people who want to share memorabilia for our 150th birthday. She also mentioned that the district has updated the cabinet in the Governing Board Room with memorabilia for viewing.

2. Future Agenda Items

I. Adjournment

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Meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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