Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
September 14, 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. Lynne Almy  Mr. Daniil Gunitskiy

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

A. Regular Session - 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order - Mrs. Susan Benjamin

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance -
   Cobie Oja led us in the pledge of allegiance.

3. Awards and Recognitions

   Mr. Weeks congratulated the August 2017 STAR Award Winners, who are:
   - Irene Andrade, Child Nutrition Worker at Central Kitchen
   - Dennis Brown, General Maintenance III

4. Adjourn to Executive Session

B. Executive Session – 6:06 – 6:51 p.m.

C. Superintendent’s Report- Larry Weeks

1. Announcements
Mr. Lind spoke about the upcoming camping trip for the 4th graders to Camp Tonto Creek here in Arizona. He spoke about the importance of the field trip and recommended that some staff go and see the camp and its surroundings.

Ms. Lynné Almy was being recognized by Mr. Weeks for becoming a new Flinn-Brown Fellow.

Mr. Weeks provided information regarding future meetings regarding the audit that will happen on September 28.

Dr. Hidalgo gave an update on current school enrollment. She provided a school by school enrollment update and compared it to last year's 100th day. The goal was to retain 6400 students and try to make concerted efforts to reach out to the community to get more students into our schools.

2. TIF 5 Update-
Dr. Hidalgo gave the TIF 5 Update indicating that a lump sum payout of $2.4 million was paid, and it went very smoothly. Thanks to HR, Dr. Zehrbach, and payroll for all their work to help make this pay-out successful. Staff will be receiving letters with compensation and an additional amount. There is more money coming to teachers and coaches!

D. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Request approval of governing board minutes for July 27, 2017

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

3. Request Approval for Our of District Field Trip

4. Request for Approval of the Renewal Agreement with Bug Smiles of Arizona, Dr. Robert L. Bidwell, DDS for Mobile Dental Clinics at District Schools for the 2017-2018 School Year

5. Request Approval for Renewal Collaboration Agreement with ASU for the America Reads Tutoring Program for Kenilworth School during the 2017-2018 School Year

6. Request Approval for the Agency Agreement with Gabriel’s Angels for the 2017-2018 School Year

7. Request Approval for Ratification of Payroll $4,681,727.51 and Expense Vouchers $1,462,569.10 in the total amount of $6,144,323.61.

8. Request Approval of Gifts, Donations and Grants as listed through June and July 2017

9. Request Approval of an Option and Easement Agreement with TowerCom VII for a Cell Tower at the District Maintenance Yard, 90 E. Grant, Phoenix, AZ 85004

10. Request Approval of Multi-Term Determination of RFP 002-1718 Student Services-Therapy, Assessment, Staffing, and Other Services
11. Request Approval or Multi-Term Determination of RFP 003-1718 Plumbing and Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning (HVAC) Repair and Maintenance Services

12. Request Approval or Award of RFP 003-1718 for Pest and Weed Control Services

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

14. Request Approval or Ratification of Employee Contract/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position

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

16. Request approval of a Shared Used Lease Agreement between the District and Southwest Institute of Montessori Studies (“SIMS”) at Shaw Elementary School. In exchange for the use of two classrooms and a smaller space for an office, SIMS agrees to waive the tuition costs for one teacher candidate selected by the Shaw Elementary teacher who holds a 3-6 diploma issued by the American Montessori Institute may also audit training sessions at any time during a course offered by SIMS on the Shaw campus. SIMS will provide verification of continuing education and hours on the topics covered.

17. Request Approval of Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda was approved.

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

E. Community Communications

None at this time

F. Curriculum & Instruction – Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

1. Request Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Native Health for the 2017-2018 School Year

Mr. Lind discussed the Native Health MOU for the 2017-2018 school year and discussed the benefits and plans to keep this program available this school year. Information was shared regarding keeping social services available for the families that need it and the opportunities for this program.

Motion by: Louisa Stark, second by Lynné Almy
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ruth Ann Marston, Susan Benjamin, Louisa Stark, Lynné Almy
2. Receive and Discuss the August 2017 Chronic Absenteeism Report

Mr. Lind discussed all the different reasons why we have a chronic absenteeism problem in the district. There were 1013 students that had 1 or more absences, and Mr. Lind pointed out the need to increase absence awareness. The attendance proclamation was reviewed to increase attendance.

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

Nothing to report at this time.

H. Board Reports and Requests

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Dr. Marston discussed the Chinese Culture Center issue. Dr. Marston then asked for a resolution in support of the preservation of this center. The board unanimously approved.

2. Future Agenda Items

Susan Benjamin thanked Daniil for his time served as Vice President, and Dr. Marston gave a glimpse of the next hero.

1. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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