Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
October 12, 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. Danil Gunitskiy

Also present were:
Mr. Larry Weeks
Superintendent

Mr. Tom Lind
Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo
Assistant Superintendent

Jessika Orona
Board Secretary

A. Regular Session – 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order- Mrs. Susan Benjamin at 6:02 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance- Rocky Brerumen led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Awards and Recognition

   Celebration – Our transportation department was awarded the 2017 Arizona Association for Pupil Transportation Fleet Maintenance Team Award. Transportation continues to do great things; they were selected out of 10 different districts in the state to receive this award.

   Our HR Department was the only public school HR department to be invited to Arizona Board of Regions Governor Ducey’s Arizona Teachers Academy Press Conference. Jason Hammond said it is with great pride to represent our region. We are very proud to have the largest of the Arizona Teachers Academy here in PESD.

B. Superintendent’s Report- Larry Weeks

1. Announcements-
   Last week the District released a new version of the District Website. It is the same address with some new features. Troy, Jeopardy, Sara and our marketing intern team came together to make this happen.
Mr. Weeks would like to thank Kathi Marston for reviewing the A-F accountability system. Mr. Lind spoke about the assessment tests. Flu shots were available for the first time at school’s sites beginning October 16. Volleyball and Flag football championships were coming soon. We began the ESI sub service, and we have safe school trainings that are coming out. The BET-C Conference was held October 5; Susan Benjamin attended and she said equity was a big focus. Finally, STEM Grants were being reviewed, and recipients will be notified after fall break.

2. Phoenix Elementary Hero

Dr. Marston spoke about our Hero Antonio Azul. He was 19 and already the head of the 10 Pima Villages. He was a true hero to those of the Salt River Valley. He and his men saved the lives of 100s of settlers and negotiated a treaty with the people of the US. He became the 1st Native American Commissioned Officer in the US Armed Forces.

C. Approval of Consent Agenda

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

2. Request to Approve Renewal Agreement with Phoenix Children’s Hospital for Services of the Breathmobile for the 2017-2018 school year

3. Request Approval or Ratification of Payroll $3,764,096.13 and Expense Vouchers $1,470,460.88 in the total amount of $5,234,557.01

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

5. Request Approval or Ratification Employee/Work Agreement Adjustments for Changes in Position

6. Request Approval or Separation of Employment, Resignations and Retirements

7. Request Approval if Uncompensated Leave of Absences

8. Request Approval of Facility Use Agreement and Addendum with Northern Arizona University

9. Approval of Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved

D. Community Communications-

There were no Community Communications at this time.
E. Curriculum & Instructions- Tom Lind, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Lind reviewed the Second Chronic Absenteeism report; it was a combined report from the beginning of school through the month of September. In this time, we have 26% of students with perfect attendance and that is 1,761 students. As of today, we are at 95% attendance trend. We do participate in the Maricopa County C.U.T.S Program; our schools have reported that it is minimally effective. C.U.T.S has some impact when the juvenile officer from the county comes to the school and has a meeting with the student, parent, and school official.

The next Chronic Absenteeism Report will focus on how the parents can be involved in improving attendance. Mr. Gunitskiy and Dr. Stark asked several questions regarding trends and possible interventions. The board requested additional information regarding out of school suspensions and their impact on chronic absenteeism.

Kathi Marston discussed the A-F Accountability Model in relation to Chronic Absenteeism and its impact on schools’ calculations.

Business Services – Dr. Rosanna Hidalgo, Assistant Superintendents

1. Request Approval for AIA Change Order Number 001 for Project 5382-106; ASU Prep HVAC/EMS Replacement for $130,664.00 to McCarthy Building Company

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 of Issuance of Purchase Order to N Vision Networking (16B-NVIS-0723) in the Amount of $46,834.58 for Phone System Upgrade

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

3. Request Approval of Issuance of Purchase Orders to World Wide Technologies (ADSP016-137345) in the Amount of $249,219.60 for Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS) Infrastructure Replacement and Upgrade

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

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Susan Benjamin has requested that Mr. Weeks update his goals. Mr. Weeks responded that his goals align with the strategic plan and the curriculum audit. This last week the steering committee submitted a last round of rough draft goals and he is currently working with that data and aligning it and hoping to have the data and his goals to the governing board in the near future.

2. Future Agenda Items-

None to discuss at this time

G. Adjournment

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Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

X  Signature

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