Minutes of Regular Public Meeting
November 9, 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. Study Session – 4:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order - Mrs. Susan Benjamin

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Mrs. Susan Benjamin

3. Restorative Justice- Dr. Carl Herman’s- Clinical Associate Professor, Division of Educational Leadership and Innovation; Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College, Arizona State University was held regarding Restorative Justice.

4. Resume to Regular Session

B. Regular Session – 6:02 p.m.

1. Student Performance

   Emerson 4th Graders – Anahi Duque Gomez, Ashley Morf, Hailey Pimber – Songs: Star Spangled Banner and God Bless America – Teacher: Dr. Diane Anderson-Nickel (aka “Dr. Music”)

2. Awards and Recognitions

   Star Award Winners for the month of October:
   Roxana Martinez, Parent Engagement Liaison, Emerson School
   Angela Sparks, 5th Grade Teacher - Emerson School
Mr. Weeks announced that Shaw Montessori School was the District Champion for Flag Football, and Magnet Traditional School was the Volleyball Champion. The Greater Phoenix Choral Festival was held. This month's Hero, A.P.K. Safford was presented by Dr. Marston.

C. Superintendent's Report – Larry Weeks

1. Announcements – Mr. Lind spoke about Volleyball for 7th-8th grade; Runner-up was Edison and Champion was Magnet Traditional; Coach of the Year was Rosalía Bremen from Heard. Fifth and Sixth grade football; Runner-up was Lowell and winner was Shaw! Coach of the Year from Shaw was Leo Rodriguez. There is more information on the After School Sports website. Celebrations included: National Native Heritage Month and High School Night. Thank you Shayne Sotelo for organizing High School Night. The Greater Phoenix Choral Festival was a few weeks ago, and students said it was great working with different directors. Mr. Weeks thanked the Veterans for their service. Dr. Marston added, there was a wonderful art exhibit for National Native American Month, and the override passed this month by 71%!!! Thanksgiving Lunch was held 11/16 and Turkey Trot was held 11/17. Elias Conference was held on December 8. Leonardo Carvajal (Magnet) and Neveah Carbajal (Heard), from the YAC program, discussed the reasons why they like this program. Daniil asked if there were any issues or anything important for the board to know. Neveah spoke about the plans they have regarding attending high school.

2. TIF5 UPDATE- Dr. Hidalgo celebrated the partnership with MCESA, and discussed the first phase of this partnership, which included future job descriptions in alignment with the strategic plan.

3. Phoenix Elementary Hero – Dr. Marston spoke about APK Safford. He is the 4th hero, and was probably the best governor that Arizona had.

D. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Request Approval of Governing Board Minuets for August 10, 2017 and August 24, 2017

2. Request Approval for Out of District Field Trips

3. Request Approval of the October Chronic Absenteeism Report

4. Request Approval of Agreement with United States Baseball Federation, Inc., dba USA Baseball, 2017 Fun at Bat Program

5. Request Approval of Interagency Letter of Agreement with Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc. Early Childhood Development
6. Request Approval of Award of RFP 002-1718, S.A.V.E. and GPPCS for Student Services - Therapy, Assessment, Staffing and Other Services

7. Request Approval or Ratification of Payroll $2,097,963.54 and Expense Vouchers $996,040.15 in the total amount of $3,094,003.69

8. Request Approval for Authorization to Replace Obsolete Projectors Used With Smartboards

9. Request Approval of Issuance of Purchase Order to McCarthy Building Companies, Inc., for $208,757.58; Mohave Contract (14G-MBC-0903), for the Installation of a HAWK Light along 16th Street for Whittier Elementary School Crossing

10. Request Approval of an Easement for the Hawk Light for the Benefit of Whittier Elementary School on Neighboring Property Owner's Property for a One-Time Cost of $2,500

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

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

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

14. Request Approval of Uncompensated Leave of Absences

15. Request Approval to add MCESA Accounting Stipend for Business Services and Indian Education Community Liaison Stipend to the Professional/Support Staff Supplementary and Nominal Fee Play Plan for the 2017-2018 School Year

16. Request Approval to Terminate Substitute Teachers Due to Outsourcing of Substitute Teaching Positions.

17. Request Approval of Consent Agenda

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

E. Community Communications

Rosalinda Ramirez thanked the district for all the great things that have been happening in the district, and she is excited for the override. She expressed gratitude to the communities for the great support and to Mr. Weeks and cabinet for working with her. She was very appreciative of the board members and cabinet and the approvals.
F. Curriculum & Instruction - Mr. Lind, Assistant Superintendent

Meleika Wadley, Veronica Cons, Shayne Sotelo, and Daniil Gunitskiy gave a presentation regarding Educational Equity.

Conversations about Race - Daniil read the Governing Board Resolution from December 8, 2016. Meleika thanked those who have helped work on this project.

Daniil, Meleika, and Veronica attended the Courageous Conversations about Race in Detroit. They discussed Conference Learning Opportunities and Courageous Conversations about Race. Shayne discussed the importance of having these conversations about race, Race Matters! They also discussed the importance of how other races are treated. Meleika Wadley, Shayne Sotelo, Daniil Gunitskiy and Veronica Cons gave a description of their background.

Receive and Discuss Education for Homeless Children and Youth Grant and the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth Conference

Sara Sims spoke about the McKinney Vento program and the details of the program. She also spoke about the Homeless Education Assistance Grant- $40,000 was awarded. PESD #1 has been found to be a leader with the McKinney Vento Program.

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

1. Receive, Discuss, and Take Possible Action on a Recommendation Concerning the City of Phoenix Choice Neighborhoods Grant

2. Request Approval to Receive, Discuss and Take Possible Action on the 2025 Strategic Plan

**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. Receive, Discuss and Take Possible Action on setting the first Governing Board meeting in January 2018

**Motion by Lynné Almy, second by Louisa Stark.**

**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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Susan Benjamin spoke about the signs and the volunteers that came to help. Parents, teachers, and principals were involved in volunteering. She thanked the community for going out and
voting. She also recognized our new vice-president Louisa Stark and thanked Dr. Marston for all her help.

2. Future Agenda Items

Updates on Strategic plan and moving forward regularly.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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