



1525 W. Frye Road
Chandler, Arizona 85224

Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
November 13, 2019
7:00 p.m.

1. Study Sessions - 5:00 pm

1.01 Destination College

Frank Narducci, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education, Monica Romero, Director of Federal Programs, Jennifer Hewitt, Executive Director of Chandler Education Foundation, and Cecilia Loera, Program Facilitator presented the history, the selection process and a day in the life of a student participating in Destination College. This program is offered to 5th graders at Title 1 schools and held on the Chandler Gilbert Community College campus. Six schools will be invited to participate during the summer of 2020.

1.02 Continue Student Services Overview

Dr. Kymberly Marshall, Director of Student Services, Meaghan Davis, Assistant Director of Student Services, and Alicia Arrellano, Student Services Facilitator continued discussion of the Student Services Department. They shared data regarding the speech therapist services, Individualized Education Plans (IEP), transition, mental health and supports provided to students. Anxiety is one of the most common needs on the rise and Meaghan works closely with behavioral specialists to keep those students engaged and supported.

A couple parents asked how parents could become more involved, requested more transparency for the special education department and suggested teachers may need more training for how to modify curriculum for special need students.

2. Opening Items - 7:00 pm

2.01 Roll Call

Barb Mozdzen, Board President; David Evans, Board Vice President; Lara Bruner and Lindsay Love, Board Members, were present.

Dr. Camille Casteel, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Frank Fletcher, Associate Superintendent for Support Services; Sandy Cooper, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Dr. Wendy Nance, Assistant Superintendent for PK-12 Educational Services; Frank Narducci, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education; and Terry Locke Director of Community Relations, were present.

2.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

3. Routine Business

3.01 Approve the Minutes of the October 30, 2019 Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2019 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by David F Evans.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

3. Routine Business (cont'd)

- 3.02 Approve Payroll for November 7, 2019 and Current Expenditures
Approve Payroll for November 7, 2019 and Current Expenditures Check# 1800020843-1800021117, 1800021119-1800021366 and E-Pay Check# 1800020842 and 1800021118.

Motion by David F Evans, second by Lindsay A Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

- 3.03 Correspondence
No correspondence presented.

4. Presentation

- 4.01 BHS Cyber Security Program
An informative video about Basha High School's new Cyber Security Program was shown.

5. Report / Information

- 5.01 Student Body President Report
Kate Robinson, Student Body President, introduced the student government officers and gave an update on events and activities at Basha High School. They also presented \$5,000 to Juvenile diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF).

6. Consent Agenda

- 6.01 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning
Out of state field trip pre-planning forms for BHS and CCHS were provided. Following Governing Board pre-approval, the Superintendent (designee) will monitor trip arrangements before providing final approval.
- 6.02 Monetary Gifts
Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$31,230.41.
- 6.03 Donations
Requested approval of the items generously donated to Chandler School District totaling \$2,450.
- 6.04 2020 National School Boards Association National Connection Fees
Requested approval of the National School Boards Association (NSBA) National Connection Fees for the period of January 1 - December 31, 2020 for \$8,620.
- 6.05 MOU between CUSD and College Success Arizona
Requested approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between College Success Arizona (CSA) and CUSD to increase the number of high school seniors who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) through a grant awarded to CSA and its partners in a joint effort known as Project Benjamin.
- 6.06 MOU between College Knowing and Going Initiative College Readiness Teams and CUSD/Casteel High School
Requested approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between College Knowing and Going Initiative College Readiness Team's (CRT's) and CUSD/Casteel High School and the Arizona College Access Network to develop comprehensive, data-driven, student-centered college-going cultures in which stakeholders work collaboratively to ensure Arizona students graduate high school ready for post-secondary options.
- 6.07 Drama Teacher Academy
Requested approval of Drama Teacher Academy, a website subscription that provides classroom materials that can be utilized in daily instruction by drama teachers in CUSD. Items available include toolkits for production, rehearsal and creativity; video demos to share in class, scenes for classroom study and lesson planning assistance for an anticipated cost of \$450.00 per site per year.

6. Consent Agenda (cont'd)

- 6.08 Cybersecurity: Technology in Action Complete
Requested approval of the textbook Technology in Action Complete, 15th edition by Evans for Basha High School's Cyber Security program for an anticipated cost of \$5,205.00 for one class set of textbooks or \$8,500 with digital licenses included. This text is identified as a resource in the dual enrollment course CSC 120 Introduction to Computer Systems.
- 6.09 Mathematic Curriculum- DreamBox and Mathalicious
Requested approval of DreamBox, a research-based K-8 math program that individually tailors math lessons using adaptive technology, and Mathalicious which promotes higher-order thinking and problem solving. Total amount budgeted is \$2,600 per year per site for Dreambox and \$320 per teacher per year for Mathalicious. The amount expended will depend on use.
- 6.10 Chandler Unified School District and Homebound MOU 19-20
Requested approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Homeward Bound (HB) and the Chandler Unified School District. Homeward Bound is the fiscal agent for the Destination Diploma program.
- 6.11 Memorandum of Agreement- Chandler Unified School District and Rio Salado College/MCCCD
Requested approval of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Maricopa County Community College District ("MCCCD") on behalf of the Rio Salado College-College Bridge Pathways and Chandler Unified District for the provision of ESOL/Basic Literacy/GED classes. Rio Salado College would provide instructors for Adult English Language classes to be held in our district for parents who are interested in improving their English or general literacy skills.
- 6.12 Human Resources
Employment, Separation, and Compensation.

Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by Lindsay A Love, second by Lara E Bruner.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

David Evans voted Aye for the Consent Agenda but abstained from Item 6.09 because of a personal friendship with the owner of Dreambox.

7. Comments

- 7.01 Citizen Comments
CEA President Katie Nash urged the Board to issue a proclamation and join with the National Educator Association for their 98th Annual American Education Week while multiple parents, grandparents and community members addressed the board with their feelings, pros and cons, regarding the Equity initiative in CUSD. Some asked for it to be stopped and others encouraged the board to stay the course.

8. Action Items

- 8.01 Replace Cooling Towers at Bologna and Tarwater Elementary Schools
Requested approval for UNI-Tech in the amount of \$413,770 and McCarthy Builders for \$349,473 for cooling towers at Bologna and Tarwater Elementary Schools. This will cover the Districts responsibilities until the SFB determines direction.

Approve UNI-Tech in the amount of \$413,770 and McCarthy Builders for \$349,473 for cooling towers at Bologna and Tarwater Elementary Schools.

Motion by David F Evans, second by Lindsay A Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

8. Action Items (cont'd)

8.02 Private Day Transportation

Requested utilization of ACES private day transportation to bus between 17-48 special needs students to the ACES campuses caused by a serious lack in drivers and increased SPED routes for this year.

Approve the use of ACES private day transportation to bus special needs students, due to driver shortage and increased routes, in the amount of \$312,668 utilizing Washington Elementary SAVE (Strategic Alliance for Volume Expenditures) RFP 19.031.

Motion by David F Evans, second by Lindsay A Love.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, David F Evans, Lara E Bruner, Lindsay A Love

9. Information Items

9.01 Student Activity, Auxiliary Operations, and Tax Credit Reports

Student Activity (SA), Auxiliary Operations (AUX), and Tax Credit (TC) Reports for the months ending July 2019 through October 2019 were provided.

9.02 Mathspace

In accordance with ARS 15-721, Mathspace materials will be placed on display at the Melinda Romero Instructional Center for a 60-day review period for public comment starting November 14, 2019.

Anticipated cost is \$6,244.50 which allows for 200 student licenses. The program will be utilized for intervention purposes. Approval will be requested after this period.

9.03 Student Policy Revisions

Chandler School District recommends revising the following to reflect current practices:

- *Policy and Regulation IKC and IKC-R - Class Rankings / Grade Point Averages*
All high schools recognize the Cum Laude system to honor graduating seniors, the ranking system will only be utilized at the request of a post-secondary educational institution.

- *Policy IKE – Promotion and Retention of Students*

This change aligns the students current grade level with their cohort through grades 9 – 12, while credits will be the focus of meeting graduation requirements.

These changes were presented as Information and approval for the Policies will be requested at the December 4, 2019 board meeting; regulations do not require board approval.

9.04 Junior High School Course Catalog 2020-2021

The draft of the 2020-2021 Junior High School Course Catalog and a summary of the recommended additions were presented for Information. The catalog will be presented for approval at the December 4, 2019 Board Meeting.

9.05 High School Course Catalog 2020-2021

The draft of the 2020-2021 High School Course Catalog and a summary of the recommended additions and deletions were presented for Information. The catalog will be presented for approval at the December 4, 2019 Board Meeting.

9.06 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

Board members discussed upcoming events and activities.

9.07 Superintendent Comments

Dr. Casteel announced that there had been two all-CUSD state championship games since the last meeting. First, Perry defeated Hamilton on Halloween night to earn their third straight Badminton Division I title and last night, Perry faced Basha in the 6AQ girls volleyball championship game. The Bears ultimately prevailed in dramatic manner and the competition didn't end until around 10:30 pm. Congratulations to all teams for making it to the state championships.

9. Information Items (cont'd)

9.07 Superintendent Comments (cont'd)

At the last meeting, Dr. Casteel publicly thanked several community organizations for all they do to support CUSD. This week she acknowledged Northrop Grumman for their partnerships with our schools. Last year they did a satellite launch and this past Saturday, approximately 100 of their employees went to Andersen Elementary as part of a beautification project - painting curb lines, benches, tetherball courts and much more. Mr. Narducci and Mr. Locke were in attendance sharing a great time was had by all and the Andersen staff is so appreciative.

The first-ever CUSD Staff Alumni event was held last Thursday, honoring individuals who attended Chandler Schools and now make CUSD their professional home. Fun was had by all through games with local businesses providing gifts as prizes for all attendees. This event has been in the works for a couple of years, but the planning committee consisting of Jen Hewitt, Terry Locke headed by Frank Narducci did a fabulous job in planning, organizing and hosting this event. It will be repeated in the future.

In closing, Dr. Casteel thanked the community for its support of our bond election last week, which passed with 63% support. The bond will funds will supplement the new high school and support the new elementary school. This information is shared in the Annual Report and other reports published throughout the year.

9.08 Board Member Recognition / Comments

David Evans asked Katie Nash where he could find information per her request to support a proclamation for American Week. Katie will forward a link to the National Educators Association website for information.

Lara Bruner visited WJHS last Thursday and thanked everyone who helped with walking neighborhoods, etc. to support schools and public education.

Lindsay Love commented about the Alumni Celebration and would like to be invited to the next reunion since she is a Hamilton High School graduate.

Barb Mozdzen mentioned that many schools celebrated Veteran's Day to reflect on what Veterans have done for our country. She also thanked Conley Elementary for the Art Masterpiece work on display in the Board Room.

10. Adjournment

10.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.