



Chandler Unified School District
1525 W Frye Road
Chandler, Arizona 85224

Minutes of a Planning Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
November 26, 2019
7:30 am

Attendees:

Barb Mozdzen, Board President; David Evans, Board Vice President; Karen McGee, Lara Bruner, Lindsay Love, Board Members; Dr. Camille Casteel, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Sandy Cooper, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Dr. Wendy Nance, Assistant Superintendent of PK-12 Educational Services; Frank Narducci, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education; and Terry Locke, Director of Community Relations.

Observers:

Teachers Maria Hase and Kate Tice

1. Information Items - 7:30 am

1.01 Journey 2025 - Organizational Culture

- *Board Meeting Public Comments Process*
Edits were made to Policy BEDH-Public Participation at Board Meetings with a new Regulation and comment cards will be added as a means for the public to provide information to the Governing Board. Information about board meetings and how to contact the Board will be posted on the website.

1.02 Journey 2025 - Effective Resource Management

- *High School #7 / ACP*
Dr Casteel explained the flexibility of the design to allow for growth, the traffic study and conversations with surrounding neighbors, expressing that the District wants to be good neighbors. The football field will have LED lighting, the tennis courts and baseball fields will not be lit. There will be a significant courtyard for students to gather. She also shared the overall capital cost savings of approximately \$6M by moving ACP-Erie to this site, giving room to expand into a comprehensive high school, yet keeping it smaller than the other high schools. Sandy Cooper explained the M&O cost savings of moving existing core staff and adding as necessary.

Dr. Gilbert discussed the concept of moving ACP-Erie to this site and anticipated growth over the next 5 years. In addition, boundaries will be adjusted to relieve PHS and HHS specifically; and the new school will have full-service offerings of on-level and accelerated classes. ACP is a nationally ranked Blue Ribbon school and would be a nice addition to the community.

1. Information Items - 7:30 am (cont'd)

1.02 Journey 2025 - Effective Resource Management (cont'd)

- *Human Growth and Development*

Dr. Casteel reminded the board this concept of providing the curriculum to parents had been discussed for several years and was a pilot this year to give teachers more time to focus on character and social/emotional instead of teaching HG&D. Mr. Narducci shared that some teachers had expressed their discomfort with teaching the curriculum, teachers had to be trained and many did not want to teach stating the curriculum didn't address reality in today's world. Parents, staff and students will be surveyed at the end of the year.

Discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of teaching at school or home. Lindsay Love indicated teachers have shared that they were not polled for this decision and they didn't want it removed. Lara Bruner likes parents having the option to discuss their values with their children but feels some children will not be educated with this method and suggested that a combination of both modalities might be a good approach.

1.03 Miscellaneous

Dr. Casteel made announcements:

- Board members are welcome to meet with her over the winter intersession, if that is convenient
- The plans to remodel the CHS weight room are proceeding with the successful bond; the original room was built in 1957
- Executive Session on December 3rd for student discipline appeal and superintendent evaluation; documents are available on BoardDocs
- Study sessions regarding the new high school design and the equity program at the December 4th meeting

2. Adjournment

2.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:49 am.