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Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
August 9, 2023
7:00 p.m.

1. Study Session - 5:00 pm

1.01 Demographic Update

Rick Brammer, Applied Economics, presented an update on district demographics.

1.02 2023-24 Metrics Review & Recommendations

Dr. Jennifer Fletcher presented the 2023-24 Metrics Review and Recommendations

2. Opening Items - 7:00 pm

2.01 Roll Call

Jason Olive, Board President; Barb Mozdzen, Board Vice President; Joel Wirth, Kurt Rohrs, and Patti Serrano, Board Members, were present.

Frank Narducci, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Associate Superintendent of PK-12 Educational Services; Dr. Wendy Nance, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources and Community Services; Colleen Flannery, Chief Technology Officer; Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Assessment, Accountability, and Research; Dr. Jessica Edgar, Executive Director for PK-12 Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Kym Marshall, Executive Director of Student Personalized Learning; Dan Serrano, Executive Director of High Schools; Heather Anguiano, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, East Region; Dr. Jeff Filloon, Executive Director of Human Resources; Ken James, Executive Director of Junior High Schools; Leo Schlueter, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, West Region; Stephanie Ingersoll, Executive Director of Marketing and Communication; and Tom Dunn, Executive Director Support Services; were present.

2.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

3. Routine Business

3.01 Approve the Minutes of the July 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Motion by Patti M. Serrano, second by Barb R. Mozdzen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

3.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Payroll for 2022-2023 Year:

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Voucher 1077 Payroll 06/30/2023

Payroll for 2023-2024 Year:

Voucher 1000 Payroll 07/13/2023

3. Routine Business

3.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers (Cont'd)

Voucher 1001 Payroll 07/13/2023

Voucher 1002 Payroll 07/14/2023

Voucher 1003 Payroll 07/26/2023

Voucher 1005 Payroll 07/27/2023

Accounts Payable for 2022-2023 Year:

Vouchers [4291-4294 07/06/2023](#) Check# 1800055777-1800055895

Vouchers [4295-4298 07/12/2023](#) Check# 1800055932-1800056026

Voucher 4299 07/14/2023 Check# 1800056049-1800056054

Vouchers [4300-4303 07/19/2023](#) Check# 1800056060-1800056122

Vouchers [4304-4308 07/26/2023](#) Check# 1800056213-1800056276

Accounts Payable for 2023-2024 Year:

Vouchers [5000-5001 07/07/2023](#) Check# 1800055896-1800055908

Vouchers [5002-5004 07/13/2023](#) Check# 1800056027-1800056048

Vouchers [5005-5008 07/20/2023](#) Check# 1800056123-1800056195

Vouchers [5009-5013 07/27/2023](#) Check# 1800056277-1800056384

Move to approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Patti M Serrano.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

3.03 Correspondence

No correspondence presented.

4. Report / Information

4.01 Superintendent Current Events

President Olive, Board members... I would like to highlight a few noteworthy accomplishments since we last met.

The National Association of Biology Teachers presented Miranda Thornton with the 2023 Outstanding Biology Teacher Award for the state of Arizona. Given annually since 1961 to a teacher from each state in the U-S, the District of Columbia, US Territories, and Canada. This honor recognizes a teacher who has made invaluable contributions to the profession, enhancing the teaching of biology. Ms. Thornton teaches biotechnology courses for the Career and Technical Education program at Basha High School, where she has been teaching for the past eleven years.

In addition, Chandler High School's theatre teacher Stephanie Likes was named as one of the 15 candidates under consideration for the 2024 Arizona Teacher of the Year® Award by the Arizona Educational Foundation. AEF's annual Arizona Teacher of the Year program is our state's highest honor bestowed upon Arizona's public-school teachers. Stephanie has been serving as a teacher for 15 years. Congratulations to both Stephanie and Miranda!

Governor Katie Hobbs visited two public schools that offer dual language programming. Tarwater Elementary School was one of those schools. We feel that Tarwater's Mandarin Program is among the best in the nation, and we were honored that the Governor took time to see the teaching and learning of the dual language program. Chandler has and continues to create innovative programs that connect students to multiple pathways to learning and achievement. To do that, programs like dual language provide our kids the opportunity and access, which should be available to all students.

Did you know that the Chandler Unified School District Office is home to the Karen Clark Art Gallery? If you stop by now, you will see a giant T-Rex made by Hamilton High students as well as a display from ACP Middle School and Casteel! CUSD has many talented artists, and we are proud to display a variety of mediums on a regular basis. We hope you will check it out!

4. Report / Information

4.01 Superintendent Current Events (cont'd)

CUSD was recognized as the number one district in Arizona for the American Heart Association's Kids Heart Challenge. We received this notification last week. More than 14 thousand CUSD families have been helped by American Heart Association resources and more than 400 CUSD students have learned the lifesaving skills of Hands-only CPR and stroke warning signs. A great example of a partnership CUSD holds which provides a positive ripple effect into our community.

Right now, the Chandler Education Foundation Cash for Classrooms campaign is going on across the district. Money raised from Cash for Classrooms supports enrichment grants written by CUSD teachers for their classrooms and principals for their school sites. The number of grants funded depends on the amount of money contributed during this campaign. We ask our community to consider partnering with the Foundation by contributing to the Cash for Classrooms campaign now through August 31st? Donate today ChandlerCashForClassrooms.org. your donation directly benefits our students and schools.

Finally, on August 18 from 10am-12pm at Sanborn Elementary, Child Crisis and CUSD are hosting a workshop on car seat safety. A certified car seat technician will provide instruction and information. Immediately following the event, car seats will be provided to participants who qualify. Go to Sanborn's website for a link to register. (All information is available)

5. Comments

5.01 Citizen Comments

Zeyna Pryzhanovsky - Early Childhood Funding - Funding the early childhood program is a way to attract new students. Smaller Class size in first grade are crucial to providing students instruction need to provide confidence to students.

Natalie Cordova - Change with Math Curriculum - Saxon Math now has been replaced with McGraw Hill. McGraw Hill is not suited for the CTA program. Saxon is not being discontinued. Would like to request that the Saxon Math program be returned to the CTA program.

Brett Wingate - School Choice Fair - Embrace change to become better - he will be putting together next spring a School Choice Fair, invited the Board.

Aarhi D'Costa - Change in Math Curriculum - Concerned with the discontinuation of the Saxon Math program. Saxon Math has not been discontinued, they have extended the curriculum indefinitely. Requesting Board reconsider re-introducing Saxon Math, many parents are supplementing with Kumon and Mathnasium.

Board President Olive requested an update on Saxon Math in the near future.

6. Consent Agenda

6.01 Out of State Student Travel PrePlanning

Out of state field trip pre-planning forms for ACP HS, BHS, CCHS, CHS, HHS and PHS are provided. Following Governing Board pre-approval, the Superintendent (designee) will monitor trip arrangements before providing final approval. The Governing Board will receive a summary of final travel arrangements quarterly.

6.02 Monetary Gifts

Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$40,242.50.

6.03 Donations

Requested approval of items generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$165,072.75.

6.04 State Contract CTR06682 – BSN Sports

The Governing Board approved State Contract ADSPO18-208270 for Athletic Supplies and Equipment awarded to BSN Sports with estimated expenditures of \$1,500,000.00 on June 28, 2023. The State awarded a new solicitation for Athletic Supplies and Equipment on July 25, 2023. The District is requesting Board Approval to utilize the new contract CTR066882 in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year since contract ADSPO18-208270 has expired.

6. Consent Agenda (Cont'd)

6.05 Omnia Contract 4400006644 - Insight Public Sector

The Governing Board previously approved Omnia Contract [4400006644](#) Technology Products, Services, Solutions and Related Products and Services awarded to Insight Public Sector with estimated expenditures of \$9,000,000 on June 22, 2022 for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

The District is requesting Board approval to utilize the contract in the amount of \$1,600,000.00 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year for rollover purchase orders. Rollover purchase orders are orders that were placed in fiscal year 2022-2023 due to long lead times but will be paid from the current fiscal year budget since items will be received in the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

6.06 Contract Increase - RFP 149-23-27

The Governing Board awarded RFP # [149-23-27](#) on June 14, 2023 to Renaissance Learning for the Assessment System for Instructional Guidance Grades K-6 in the amount of \$221,425.00 for the annual licenses and subscriptions for each school site.

The District is seeking approval to increase the total contract amount to \$260,000 for additional professional services and on-site training needed as part of the implementation. The additional amount includes professional development, such as Renaissance's Champions Academy, where we fully train two staff members from each site and the assessment specialists to know all elements of the Renaissance assessment platform. This amount for professional development was not originally included because we were refining how many staff per site, which affected the pricing.

6.07 Employee Compensation 2023-24 Revised

Recommend approval of the revised Employee Compensation for 2023-2024. Memo was presented for review.

6.08 Human Resources

Employment, Separation, Compensation, Qualified Evaluators, Job Descriptions, and Salary Schedules.

Move to approve consent agenda as presented.

Motion by Joel H Wirth, second by Barb R Mozdzen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano

7. Action Items

7.01 Galveston Elementary Early Procurement GMP #2.

Move to approve GMP#2 with McCarthy in the amount of \$9,433,477 for the rebuild of Galveston Elementary.

Proposed Amendment: Mr. Rohrs proposed that this be put on hold until they have a clear plan for filling school to capacity. There was no Second.

Motion by Joel H Wirth, second by Patti M Serrano.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Patti M Serrano

Nay: Kurt D Rohrs

8. Information Items

8.01 Year End Summary Out of State Student Travel School Year 2022-23

Year End Summary of the Out of State Trips for Student Travel for the 2022-2023 school year was presented for review.

- 8.02 Student Activity (SA) Report
Student Activity (SA) report for the month ending July 2023 was presented for review.

8. Information Items (cont'd)

- 8.03 Curriculum Policy Revision
Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) has recommended changes to the following policies:

- Policy IGA - Curriculum Development
- Policy IGD - Curriculum Adoption
- Policy IJJ - Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption

Textbook review and selection committees are subject to open meeting law. A.R.S. 15-721(F)(2) and 15-722 (B)(2).

ASBA policy services recognizes that there are some groups of district professionals meeting to discuss curriculum and therefore would not be subject to open meeting law.

Chandler School District recommends adopting the policies as proposed by ASBA. These changes are presented as Information and approval will be requested at the August 23, 2023 board meeting.

- 8.04 Human Resources Policy Revision
Policy GCCA was previously approved at the June 28, 2023 Board meeting. Policy has been revised to allow Paid Time Off preceding or following a school holiday with Supervisor approval. Chandler School District recommends adopting the policies as proposed. These changes are presented as Information and approval will be requested at the August 23, 2023 board meeting.

- 8.05 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

- 8.06 Board Member Current Events
Kurt Rohrs - Sun Lakes Rotary Club, reviewed Mental Health Initiative, they did a good job presenting the information. Online Parent Meeting through CCHS, unfortunately, no parents attended. Three different meetings were scheduled, but no parents attended. The Hope Institute Ribbon cutting is scheduled for August 30th, encouraged parents attend.
Patti Serrano - CUSD Community, has a new way to help each other through online platform. CUSD families can post their needs – The App is called Purposity. Please consider donating at the Care Center Food Pantry. They are getting ready for Thanksgiving and Toy Drive. The Hope Institute Ribbon cutting is scheduled for August 30th, encouraged parents to attend. This will be the second Hope Institute in the nation.
Barb Mozden - Recognized the Art Masterpiece bulletin boards. We have 1000 Art Masterpiece that visit our schools to teach our kids. Big thank you to all the volunteers.
Joel Wirth - Inquired about Hope Institute. Patti provided additional information.
Jason Olive - Thank you for parents who are passionate about Math curriculum. We will look into that.

9. Adjournment

- 9.01 Adjourn the Meeting 7:36 PM

Board President