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## Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board  
Maricopa County, Arizona  
September 11, 2024  
7:00 p.m.

### 1. Study Session – 5:53 pm

#### 1.01 Balanced Assessment Framework and Data

Chandler Unified School District operates on a balanced assessment framework that informs and guides our educators as they work to improve their assessment practices and student success. CUSD families can use this framework to understand the assessments that may be administered to their child(ren) throughout their CUSD educational journey. Each assessment is intentional and purposeful such that it provides meaningful data to our educators. Assessment data, along with other data points, are utilized to guide instructional changes, monitor student learning, and evaluate attainment of student learning goals and proficiency. CUSD uses Tableau to create data visualizations that support our educators in interpreting data. The presentation was provided by Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Assessment, Accountability and Research along with the Assessment Team.

### 2. Opening Items - 7:04 pm

#### 2.01 Roll Call

Barb R Mozdzen, Patti M Serrano, Jason R Olive, and Kurt D Rohrs; were present. Joel H Wirth, was not present.

Frank Narducci, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Colleen Flannery, Chief Technology Officer; Dr. Michael De La Torre, Assistant Superintendent of PreK-12 Schools; Chris Rossini, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; 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, Dr. Jeff Fillion, 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 of Support Services; were present. Dr. Craig Gilbert, Associate Superintendent of PreK-12 Educational Services; and Heather Anguiano, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, East Region; were not present.

#### 2.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

### 3. Recognition – 7:05 pm

#### 3.01 "And Then Some" Award

Stephanie Ingersoll, Executive Director for Marketing and Communications presented the "And Then Some" Award to Whitney Connor, a senior at Perry High School.

#### 3.02 Boys Volleyball State Championship

Stephanie Ingersoll, Executive Director for Marketing and Communications introduced the Casteel HS Boys Volleyball State Champions. Joining them was Coach Ryan Meyn.

**4. Presentation – 7:14 pm**

4.01 Hispanic Heritage Month

Dr. Adama Sallu, Director of Equity and Inclusion presented Hispanic Heritage Month Recognitions.

**5. Report / Information – 7:34 pm**

5.01 Student Body President Report

Leyna Do, ACP HS

5.02 Correspondence

There was no correspondence to present.

5.03 Superintendent Current Events

Governing Board, I have several key updates for you this evening:

Thanked Chandler Education Foundation staff and it's Board members for the support they provide our students, staff and families – they raised over \$200K at their annual Golf Tournament and fundraiser this past Friday.

As we observe this solemn anniversary of September 11th, we are reminded of those who lost their lives, as well as their families and loved ones. As well as to be thankful for so many First Responders who give above self to others in the face of crisis and tragedy. This day holds deep significance for our nation, and we believe it's important to remember and reflect together. Schools across our district held events and ceremonies featuring first responders, members of the military, CUSD JROTC cadets, and more. Here are photos from some of those events. We also want to show you this FOX10 news clip from Andersen International Baccalaureate Elementary School.

A week from today is CUSD District college fair at Hamilton High School. All students and parents are welcome! Don't miss this unparalleled opportunity to: -Connect with admissions officers and faculty members -Gather information on programs, scholarships, and financial aid -Attend insightful workshops about college admissions. You and your student will have the opportunity to engage with over 120 post-secondary institutions as well as FAFSA presentations and 1:1 assistance for families in the Career Center as well as family assistance through Aliento, an organization that governing board member Serrano connected the district with to enhance support for our families.

Three of our athletic directors were honored at the 2024 Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Conference with awards.

- Mr. Fred DePrez, Athletic Director of the Year, Arizona College Prep - Middle School
- Mr. Jim Culver, 6A Arizona Athletic Director of the Year, Chandler High School
- Mr. Brett Palmer, AIAAA Citation Award, Hamilton High School

Way to represent CUSD! Congratulations!

Just last week CUSD was notified that our district was named among Forbes' 2024 list of America's top employers! Congratulations, Team CUSD. We take pride in the hard work and dedication put forth by every staff member across our 50 facilities, programs and schools.

I know I may sound like a broken record – or for our younger audience a broken vinyl. Just like every other Arizona school district and school districts across the country, we need bus drivers. Every Thursday transportation hosts drop-in interviews from 12-3pm. A Commercial Driver's License (CDL) is not needed as we provide full-paid training. We also need drivers who do not wish to obtain a CDL but may be interested in driving one of our White Fleet (Vans). Interviews are being held at the transportation yard located at 3750 S Centre Pointe Parkway in Chandler. If interested, you are encouraged to apply for a bus driver position or Van driver online before going for the drop-in interview.

September is Suicide Awareness Month. In CUSD, we made a commitment to address this very important topic to support the mental well-being of our students. The Hope Institute of CUSD next to the campus of Perry High School is a national model for school district intervention and is one of many resources available to our students, their families and our staff. You can find a full list of our resources on the counseling and social services web page. Tomorrow the counseling department is hosting our annual Student Mental Health Conference. Students from all over the district will be in attendance for a day of conversation and learning. The goal of the conference is to identify ways we all can strengthen our support for peers who may be struggling.

Finally, this is the last Board meeting before fall break. And while school may be out, our district will remain open to anyone in need of assistance.

**6. Comments – 7:56 pm**

6.01 Citizen Comments

*Ryan Heap* - East Valley Dream Center Liv Well Behavioral

**7. Consent Agenda – 7:58 pm**

7.01 Approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

Approval of the Minutes of the August 21, 2024, Regular Board Meeting.

7.02 Out of State Student Travel Preplanning

Out of state field trip pre-planning forms for ACP HS, CCHS, CHS and PHS were 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 yearly.

7.03 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers

Requested approval and ratification of the following Payroll and Accounts Payable vouchers:

Payroll for 2024-2025 Year:

Voucher 1010 Payroll 08/22/2024

Voucher 1011 Payroll 09/05/2024

Accounts Payable for 2023-2024 Year:

Vouchers 5310-5313 08/14/2024 Check# 1800066781-1800066808

Vouchers 5314-5315 08/15/2024 Check# 1800067000-1800067001

Vouchers 5316-5320 08/22/2024 Check# 1800067024-1800067044

Accounts Payable for 2024-2025 Year:

Vouchers 6027-6031 08/15/2024 Check# 1800066847-1800066999

Vouchers 6032-6036 08/23/2024 Check# 1800067045-1800067200

Vouchers 6037-6041 08/29/2024 Check# 1800067202-1800067344

7.04 Monetary Gifts

Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$54,139.55.

7.05 Donations

Requested approval of the following items generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$14,685.37.

7.06 Memorandum of Understanding between Chandler Unified School District and Make Way for Books

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Make Way for Books and Chandler Unified School District for the 2024-2025 school year is attached.

Make Way for Books is an Early Literacy non-profit organization who works with children birth to 5 years of age along with parents to help develop critical emergent literacy and language skills so children can start school ready.

They currently provide programming at San Marcos Elementary, for children and families residing in the 85224 and 85225 zip codes. This MOU will provide for continued services to be given to families at San Marcos Elementary and other Title I sites, as necessary. Requested approval of the MOU between Make Way for Books and the Chandler Unified School District for the 2024-2025 school year.

7.07 Human Resources

Employment, Separation, and Compensation.

**Recommend approval of Consent agenda as presented.**

**Motion by Jason R Olive, second by Patti M Serrano.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

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

## 8. Action Items 7:50 pm

### 8.01 SAVE Contract#20-25-29 Special Education Contract Services

The Governing Board approved SAVE Contract# 130-23-27 for Special Education Contract Services awarded to Maxim Healthcare Services with estimated expenditures of \$600,000.00 on June 12, 2024. After the Governing Board approved, Maxim Healthcare Services was split into two separate entities, Amergis and Maxim Healthcare. Due to the split, Amergis will be providing the services under SAVE Contract #130-23-27 and Maxim Healthcare was awarded a new SAVE Contract# 20-25-29 specifically for one to one Nursing Services. The District is requested Board Approval to utilize SAVE Contract# 20-25-29 instead of SAVE Contract # 130-23-27 in the amount of \$600,000.00 for the remainder of the 2024-2025 fiscal year for Special Education nursing services needed districtwide.

**Recommend Board Approval to utilize SAVE Contract# 20-25-29 in the amount of \$600,000.00 for the remainder of the 2024-2025 fiscal year.**

**Motion by Patti M Serrano, second by Jason R Olive.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

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

### 8.02 MOU with CUSD and East Valley Dream Center

The Memorandum of Understanding between Chandler Unified School District and East Valley Dream Center (EVDC) will allow EVDC to operate a community resource center at Andersen Junior High School and offer a variety of programs including behavioral health services provided by Liv Well Behavioral. CUSD will provide referrals of students and families to this Partner, referrals of students shall be made after consultation with student's parent/guardian. Recommended approval.

**Recommend approval of MOU between Chandler Unified School District and East Valley Dream Center (EVDC).**

**Motion by Jason R Olive, second by Patti M Serrano.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Barb R Mozdzen, Patti M Serrano, Jason R Olive**

**Nay: Kurt D Rohrs**

## 9. Information Items – 8:23 pm

### 9.01 Student Activity Report

The Student Activity (SA) report for the months ending July 2024 through August 2024 was provided for review.

### 9.02 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

Board President reviewed the Agenda Roadmap. Reminder, Galveston Ribbon Cutting on October 8, 2024, at 8:30 am.

### 9.03 Board Member Current Events

*Patti Serrano* - Acknowledged Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct. 15). Thanked the schools for Hispanic Heritage month recognition at their sites. Latinos are projected to be the minority majority by 2030. Reminded the public about City of Chandler Contigo events for Hispanic Heritage month - Dia de Fiesta kickoff event on 9/21.

*Kurt Rohrs* - Attended the following events: 8/27-Chamber AI event; 8/28-Chamber Candidate for School Board Forum; 8/30-CUSD Board Planning Meeting; 9/8-Chandler Parent/Teen Panel with Chandler Vice Mayor OD Harris; 9/9-East Valley School Boards Consortium.

*Jason Olive* - Thanked all parents that volunteer at our schools.

*Barb Mozdzen* - While visiting Flagstaff, President Mozdzen, ran into CUSD JH & HS students who were competing Mountain bike race. These clubs do compete in several races. It was a heart-warming surprise. Kudos to the sponsors for supporting our students.

**10. Adjournment – 8:36 pm**

10.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

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Board President