



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

Minutes of the Governing Board Planning Meeting

Office of the Board
Maricopa County, Arizona
November 1, 2024
7:30 AM

Attendees:

Barb Mozdzen, Board President; Patti Serrano, Board Vice President; Jason Olive, Joel Wirth and Kurt Rohrs, Board Members, were present; Frank Narducci, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Michael De La Torre, Assistant Superintendent of PreK-12 Schools; Chris Rossini, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; 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; Shawn Rustad, Director of Athletics; Shaun Creighton, Director of Instructional Technology; and Mark Huish, Director of Safety were present. Dr. Craig Gilbert, Associate Superintendent of PreK-12 Educational Services; Colleen Flannery, Chief Technology Officer; Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Assessment, Accountability and Research; Tom Dunn, Executive Director of Support Services were not present.

1. **Welcome and Review of Agenda – 7:30 am**

- 1.01 Barb welcomed everyone and reviewed the agenda. Frank thanked Food and Nutrition for the breakfast. Frank also introduced Brian Stinson, Peak Fleet.

2. **Information Items**

- 2.01 School Safety
Safety Presentation conducted by Mark Huish, Ken James, and Dr. Mike De La Torre. The presentation provided the Board with information on School Safety Systems. Systems discussed were Weapons Detection Systems, Wearable Technology Systems, Vape Sensors, and Clear Bag Policy for CUSD. Mr. Huish presented Pros and Cons as well as costs if available.

Questions from the Board:

How often is active shooter training held?

We currently conduct fire, lockdown and evacuation drills.

It was suggested to train at the start of each school year.

How many staffing positions will be required for metal detectors?

Up to 15 per high school, \$18-\$20K.

Did door locks switch to locking from the inside?

Yes.

2.02. Marketing and Communications

Stephanie Ingersoll, Executive Director for Marketing and Communications presented the district's marketing plan including the CUSD website redesign.

2. Information Items

2.02. Marketing and Communications (cont'd)

Feedback from the Board:

- Communication could use some improvement; the public does not know all that we do.
- Website redesign is more user friendly.
- People/staff should be happy to speak to the public.
- School Choice Fair is brilliant.
- Use data to tell stories

2.03 Staff Retention and Turnover

Chris Rossini, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources provided information on exit interviews, why are people leaving and implementing new hire surveys and stay surveys. Exit interviews show the majority of staff leaving is due to retirement.

Feedback from the Board:

- Teachers do not like administrative tasks.
- Create a teaching path in CTE.
- Rename Early Childhood to ED Professions.

2.04 Athletics – Recruiting and Retaining

Shawn Rustad, Director of Secondary Athletics, discussed what it takes to attract and retain quality coaches. Shared a clip of the upcoming movie “Unstoppable” based on a true story on the HHS wrestling coach Anthony Robles. Also shared Coaches Clinics are happening and they are presented by our CUSD coaches.

2.05 Artificial Intelligence

Shaun Creighton, Director of Instructional Technology, presented an update on Artificial Intelligence in the classroom. About 50 percent of teachers use it, about 30% of students ages 12-17 use it for school. Mr. Creighton discussed the benefits and risks of AI. CUSD Artificial Intelligence Framework has been implemented and will continue to update as Artificial Intelligence evolves.

Questions from the Board:

Do kids under 13 have access to AI sites on their District device?

No, access is given based on grade level.

3. Adjournment

3.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 10:27 am.

Board President