

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
SCOTTSDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48**

June 16, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 5:30 PM, at the Scottsdale Unified School District Education Center Board Room, 3811 North 44th Street, Phoenix, Arizona. President Beckvar called upon Mrs. Petersen to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members in attendance were Karen Beckvar, President; Dr. Eric Meyer, Clerk; Jennifer Petersen; Dieter Schaefer; and Bonnie Sneed. Superintendent Gary T. Catalani was also present. A quorum was present. Ms. Beckvar welcomed approximately 80 visitors.

Before Approval of the Agenda was voted upon, Ms. Beckvar noted that Administration had requested that Action Items IX. B. Approve the Financing for Technology from Baystone Financial Group through Mohave Contract, and IX. C. Approve the Purchase and Installation of Classroom Technology Equipment through State Contract, be heard in reverse order: IX. C. before IX. B.

Mrs. Petersen moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Dr. Meyer seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Students and Staff Recognition and Celebrations

Dr. Catalani thanked the building level administrators for being present at this meeting and for their hard work and efforts in bringing the school year to a positive closure. He stated to the Board that whenever the topic on an agenda relates to student achievement, the principals will be present at the meeting.

Dr. Catalani introduced Dr. Milissa Sackos, Executive Director for Student and Community Services, who recognized Mary Ellertson, a recipient of the Quest for Excellence grant awarded from the SUSD Foundation. Ms. Ellertson demonstrated how digital literacy was implemented in the classroom through the use of the Smart Board and technology.

Superintendent's Comments

Dr. Catalani noted that for this meeting, the Boardroom was equipped with technology that is similar to what will be installed in SUSD's classrooms with Board approval.

Public Comments

Alice Zany spoke in regard to high school dual enrollment classes. The topic was not on the Agenda; therefore, Ms. Beckvar asked Mrs. Cavanagh to contact Ms. Zany to discuss her issues.

Mark Stieg spoke in support of the Technology Implementation Plan on the Agenda for this meeting and added the SUSD Foundation's support.

Consent Agenda

- VIII. A. Acceptance of Gifts - \$144,370.51
- VIII. B. Accounts Payable Vouchers – 5/22/09-6/1/09
- VIII. C. Payroll Vouchers – 5/14/09-5/28/09
- VIII. D. Personnel Actions – 5/27/09-6/5/09
- VIII. E. Approve Gifted Scope and Sequence
- VIII. F. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with City of Scottsdale for Public Safety Radio Site at Desert Mountain High School
- VIII. G. Approval of the Creation of CTDS Number for Redfield Elementary School
- VIII. H. Authorization to Exceed Subsections 200 and 400 in the Maintenance and Operations Budget, Per A.R.s. 15-905.G
- VIII. I. Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Warrants Between Board Meetings
- VIII. J. Resolution to Appoint the Maricopa County Schools as the Chief Disbursing Office for Garnishments
- VIII. K. Approval of Student code of Conduct for 2009-2010 School Year
- VIII. L. Approval of Revisions to Board Policies – Sections I-Instructional Programs and J-Students

Amendment to Agenda

Motion #169
Approval of Agenda as Amended

Students and Staff Recognition and Celebrations

Superintendent's Comments

Public Comment

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda - Continued

- VIII. M. Approve the Purchase of Grocery and miscellaneous Supplies through Greater Phoenix Purchasing Consortium of Schools (GPPCS)
- VIII. N. Approve the Purchase of Network and Wireless Network Equipment through State Contract (Insight and Accuvant)
- VIII. O. Approve the Purchase of Copier Supplies, Service and Equipment through State Contract
- VIII. P. Approve the Purchase of Apple Computers through Mohave Contract
- VIII. Q. Approve the Purchase of Cellular Phones and Services through State Contract
- VIII. R. Approve the Purchase of Commodity Processing of USDA Donated Foods through Arizona Department of Education Contract
- VIII. S. Approve the Purchase of Food Distribution and Warehousing of USDA Donated Foods through Arizona Department of Education Contract
- VIII. T. Approve the Purchase of Software from CDW Government through TCPN Contract
- VIII. U. Approve the Renewal of Contract #6004, Charter Bus Services
- VIII. V. Approve the Renewal of Contract #6017, Maintenance and Hardware Supplies
- VIII. W. Approve the Renewal of Contract #6024, Science Supplies and Equipment
- VIII. X. Approve the Renewal of Contract #6051, Art Supplies Equipment Catalog-Stores
- VIII. Y. Approve the Renewal of Contract #6146, Architectural and Engineering Services
- VIII. Z. Approve the Renewal of Contract #7001, Custodial Services. Contracted
- VIII. AA. Approve the Renewal of Contract #7007, Library Print and Non-Print Materials
- VIII. AB. Approve the Renewal of Contract #7014, Refuse Collection
- VIII. AC. Approve the Renewal of Contract #8001, Photography Supplies and Services
- VIII. AD. Approve the Renewal of Contract #8016, Lawn and Garden Equipment
- VIII. AE. Approve the Renewal of Contract #8094, Field Trips
- VIII. AF. Approve the Renewal of Contract #9015, Supplemental Instructional Materials
- VIII. AG. Approve the Renewal of Multiple Commodities through Mohave Contract
- VIII. AH. Approve the Renewal of Contract(s)
- VIII. AI. Award of IFB #10068, Glazing Services
- VIII. AJ. Award of IFB #10069, Irrigation Services
- VIII. AK. Award of RFP #10031, Bilingual Psychological Services
- VIII. AL. Approval of Minutes of June 2, 2009 Regular Board Meeting

Mrs. Petersen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Schaefer seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Action Items

David Peterson, Assistant Superintendent for Operations, presented Action Item IX. A. Propose Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Expenditure Budget and Call for Public Hearing. Dr. Peterson reported that the State is still in a quandary as to where its budget will be. SUSD's budget is based on a "best guess" on the State's final budget. Funding for Excess Utilities will be ending; therefore, Dr. Peterson suggests funding for that from the remaining plant fund monies for one year only. Administration has also committed to recalling 129.5 FTE positions (teachers) but is waiting until the final State budget is determined. The Board voiced several concerns about the budget and if teachers have been notified of the recall. Dr. Catalani reported that the teachers were given information before they left for the summer, and that he agreed with Dr. Peterson that the District would not officially begin the recall process until we receive the State's final budget. The Board agreed with Mrs. Sneed's statement that the legislature's outrageous actions are a waste of tax payer dollars.

Mrs. Peterson approved the fiscal year 2009-2010 proposed expenditure budget as presented and called for a Public Hearing and Board meeting on June 30, 2009 at 5:30 PM in the Education Center Boardroom for the purpose of presenting for adoption the 2009-2010 proposed budget for the consideration of the residents and taxpayers of the District. Mrs. Sneed seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Tom Clark, Executive Director of Information Technology, and Andi Fournalis, Director of Recruitment and Professional Development, presented Action Item IX. C. Approve the Purchase and Installation of Classroom Technology Equipment through State Contract. Mr. Clark demonstrated the equipment that, with Board approval, would be installed in all classrooms. Mr. Clark stated that there were two proposals presented to the Board: the installation of the equipment and the financing of the project. A PowerPoint was given that reviewed the six-year

Consent Agenda-Continued

Motion #170
Approval of Consent Agenda

Action Items
•Propose FY2009-2010 Expenditure Budget & Call for Public Hearing

Motion #171
Approve FY2009-2010 Proposed Budget for Purpose of Presentation for Adoption on 6/30/09 & Call for Public Hearing

•Purchase & Installation of Classroom Technology Equipment

budget and the cycle for equipment refresh. What is actually replaced is the Software, not the equipment. Ms. Fourlis detailed how the District would provide professional development with a plan for a three-hour session on training to use the equipment. The Administration's goal is to have all classrooms outfitted and trained by Thanksgiving this year. There is also an incentive program with the ultimate goal that all teachers will have laptop computers by 2012, disbursing 500 at a time.

Discussion ensued regarding the training program and the installation schedule. The Board felt it was very ambitious. Mr. Clark reported that the vendor has agreed to assume any cost of labor incurred if the project is not completed by the end of the set timeline. Also discussed was accountability. Dr. Catalani stated that site administrators, as well as the Learning Leadership Team (LLT), will be instituting classroom walk-throughs to see if teachers and students are using the technology. The Board will be receiving a report on the findings on a monthly basis. Another discussion was held regarding why Administration was recommending Option A, which included replacing the network and telephone system. Mr. Clark responded that the network and telephone systems were aging and in need of expansion. Also, all the equipment was designed to work together. A question was asked if the District went obtained quotes for the project. Dr. Peterson responded that it did and that the District followed the purchase procedures through State Contract. The Board asked that classroom disruption be kept to a minimum during the installation. Mr. Clark responded that one of the goals is to complete as much as possible before school starts on August 10th and then further work will be done after school and weekends.

Mrs. Petersen moved to approve the purchase and installation of classroom technology through State Contract for an amount of \$4,297,079.25. Dr. Meyer seconded the motion.

Board Members agreed that as a Board they were assuming a certain amount of risk, and that it was critical to be successful moving forward with this proposal, and that they be kept informed. They also agreed that it was wonderful that this project will provide equity for all students.

The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Mr. Clark presented Action Item IX. B. Approve the Financing for Technology from Baystone Financial Group through Mohave Contract. Dr. Catalani stated that the presentation was imbedded in the previous discussion and that Administration was asking for the Board's support.

Mrs. Petersen moved to approve the financing for technology from Baystone Financial Group through Mohave Contract for an amount of \$6 million. Dr. Meyer seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Ms. Beckvar presented Action Item IX. D. Approval of Proposed ASBA Agenda Items for Delegate Assembly of June 27, 2009. The Board directed Mrs. Sneed, SUSD Delegate, to use her best judgment in representing them. There was no action taken.

Future Action

Mrs. Petersen would like a substantive update on Redfield Elementary School in the fall and would like to revisit facility usage.

Work/Study

Dr. Catalani presented Work/Study Item X. A. Update on District Goals. The PowerPoint and all background information were previously given to the Board via email with BoardBook. Administration was prepared to answer any questions from the Board. The Board discussed Standard-Based Report Cards (SBRC) and if they were being used in middle and high school. Dr. Laczko-Kerr responded that the committee had discussed that issue, but the pilot was only designed for elementary school. At this point, the committee would not recommend using SBRC in middle and high schools. Administration would like to look at other models across the country. Discussion ensued regarding Scottsdale Math and Science Academy at Saguaro HS. The program is being marketed to the community and is growing.

Dr. Catalani presented a PowerPoint reviewing Administration's next steps. It is recommended that for the 2009-2010 school year, the current eight District Goals be combined into three goals:

1. Improving Student Achievement
2. Improving Operation of the District
3. Improving Communication Strategies and Effectiveness

Motion #172

Approval of Purchase & Installation of Classroom Technology –State Contract

Motion #173

Approval of Financing from Baystone Financial Group-Mohave Contract

•Proposed ASBA Agenda Items for 6/27/09-Direction Given - No Action Taken

Future Action

Work/Study

•Update on District Goals

Recommended 3 Goals for 2009-10 School Year

The remainder of the 2008-2009 District Goals would become incorporated into the above three goals as objectives. Dr. Catalani also stated that during January and February 2010, a review of the District's strategic plan would be held that would involve the entire community by holding focus groups at each campus followed by town halls to reach those people the campus groups did not reach. Data would then be analyzed in March, with planning, based on data analysis, to begin in April. The information received would enable Administration to evaluate the District's vision and mission, as well as provide direction for high priority goals and identification of belief statements.

The Board also discussed improving communication and using different tools to reach more students and parents.

The Board thanked the Administration for its presentation.

Governing Board Reports

There were no Governing Board Reports.

Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday, June 30, 2009 – 1:00 PM – Special Board Meeting-Work/Study
Tuesday, June 30, 2009 – 5:30 PM – Public Hearing/Special Board Meeting

At 8:15 PM, Mrs. Petersen moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Schaefer seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Dated this 16th day of June 2009.

The Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District #48

Karen Beckvar, President

Eric Meyer, Clerk

Jennifer Petersen

Dieter Schaefer

Bonnie Sneed

Governing Board Reports

Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Motion #174
Adjournment