

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

January 17, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 5:04 PM, at the Scottsdale Unified School District Coronado High School, 7501 E. Virginia Avenue, Scottsdale, Arizona.

Board Members in attendance were Barbara Perleberg, President; Pam Kirby, Vice President; Allyson Beckham; Kim Hartmann; and Sandy Kravetz. Superintendent Dr. Denise Birdwell was also present. A quorum was present. President Perleberg called upon Mrs. Kirby to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Perleberg welcomed approximately 160 visitors.

Mrs. Kirby moved to amend the Agenda:

- Move Consent Items VII. L. Approval to Purchase Architectural Services and VII. M. Classification Framework Revisions to Action Items IX. C. and D., respectively.

Mrs. Kravetz seconded the motion.

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

Mrs. Kirby moved to approve the Agenda, as amended. Mrs. Kravetz seconded the motion.

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

Students and Staff Recognition and Celebrations

Dr. Mitch von Gnechten, Executive Director of Secondary Education, recognized Jordyn Blew, Desert Mountain High School senior, who was named the Scottsdale Leadership Jenkins Youth Award winner.

Dr. David McNeil, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Leadership, recognized the Annual Arizona State University Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest winners, Mason Wilson, Ingleside Middle School, and Bryce Briggs, Cocopah Middle School.

Public Comment

Kris Martin, SUSD teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers' concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Rachel Feitlinger, Cheyenne Traditional School PTO President, thanked the Governing Board for prioritizing the needs of Cheyenne Traditional School.

Elizabeth Halverson, SUSD teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers' concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI). Also, that more options for early childhood opportunities are needed in south Scottsdale.

Tom Roxborough, SUSD teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers' concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Rony Assali, SUSD teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers' concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Julie Cieniawski, President of the Scottsdale Education Association (SEA), spoke in regard to the SEA's concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI) and how the SEA feels it is being developed without regard to the Teacher Employment Agreement (TEA).

Katie Assali SUSD teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers' concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Beth Parsons, SUSD teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers' concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Motion #41

Amendment to Agenda

Motion #42

Approval of Agenda as Amended

Students and Staff
Recognition and
Celebrations

Public Comment

Bonnie Bezon, SEA secretary, spoke in regard to the SEA’s concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Linda Prideaux, retired SUSD teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers’ concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Edmund Richard, parent in the Coronado Learning Community, said he is looking forward to the change the Coronado Success Initiative will bring to Coronado High School.

Bonnie York, SUSD band teacher, spoke in regard to Coronado teachers’ concerns with the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI).

Mike Norton, Cheyenne parent, spoke in regard to improvements needed at Cheyenne Traditional School beyond what has been allocated through the 2016 Bond.

Superintendent’s Comments

- January 18, 2017 – Annual District Dance Festival
- January 20, 2017 – Annual SUSD Spelling Bee
- January 23, 2017 – SUSD Foundation, Scottsdale Charros Foundation, the Larry Hellestrae Foundation and Sports Destination Network will help celebrate high school fall sports athletes at the All-City Awards Banquet
- January 27, 2017 – Charros will host their annual Youth Luncheon and Baseball Clinic
- January 28, 2017 - Middle and K-8 School girls’ basketball teams and co-ed flag football teams will participate in the Winter Sports Festival
- January 28, 2017 – Coronado Learning Community hosts its Student Star Showcase
- January 28, 2017 – Scottsdale Center for the Arts will hold an art exhibit honoring the memory of former Pima art teacher Allison Vredevoogd

Dr. Birdwell also commented on the wonderful expression of SUSD diversity as shown at the MLK events she attended, and complimented Clif McKenzie, District K-12 Athletic Director, and Michelle Marshall, District General Counsel, on their outstanding work on the events.

Consent Agenda

- A. Acceptance of Gifts - \$123,173.08
- B. Accounts Payable Vouchers December 7, 2016 through January 4, 2017
- C. Payroll Vouchers Processed from December 1, 2016 through December 29, 2016
- D. Personnel Actions – 11/29/2016 through 01/03/2017
- E. Approval of Minutes of December 8, 2016 Special Meeting/Study Session
- F. Approval of Minutes of December 13, 2016 Student Appeal Hearing/Regular Board Meeting
- G. Auxiliary Operations Statement for November Fiscal Year 2017
- H. Student Activities Statement for November Fiscal Year 2017
- I. Tax Credit Statement for November Fiscal Year 2017
- J. Overnight, Out-of-State, Foreign Trips
- K. Action of Hearing Officer’s Recommendation
- L. Approval to Purchase Architectural Services – **PULLED TO BE HEARD AS ACTION ITEM**
- M. Classification Framework Revisions – **PULLED TO BE HEARD AS ACTION ITEM**

Mrs. Kirby moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion.

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

Information/Discussion Items

Dr. Birdwell presented Information/Discussion Item VIII. A. ASU/Charros/SUSD Design Initiative for Coronado High School “Coronado Success Initiative” and shared the steps leading up to the presentation of the Initiative to the Coronado Learning Community. The Charros Foundation and ASU want to make an impact on the community they serve. They invited Dr. Birdwell to a meeting and proposed the idea of the Initiative for Coronado High School. Once the proposal was accepted, a meeting was scheduled for January 21, with stakeholders from the community to brainstorm on the actual design process of the program.

Dr. Cecilia Johnson, the District’s Federal Program coordinator and the Administrator overseeing

Superintendent’s
Comments

Consent Agenda

Motion #43
Approval of Consent
Agenda as Amended

Information/Discussion

•Coronado Success
Initiative (CSI)

the project, presented a PowerPoint that outlined the steps of the process and the timeline in getting the project underway. Dr. Birdwell introduced the representatives from Arizona State University (ASU), Carly Nieri and Professor Punya Mishra. Dr. Mishra addressed the audience, explaining that this Initiative is not the typical school improvement plan, and that without the voices and participation of students, teachers and administration, this Initiative cannot take place. Discussion was had with Board Members all thanking the Charros Foundation and ASU for proposing this Initiative for the Coronado Learning Community. Board Members are very excited for this opportunity and look forward to the success of the program.

Dr. Debbie Ybarra, Director of Early Childhood Learning, presented Information/Discussion Item VIII. B. Pre-Kindergarten Update. A PowerPoint was shared that showed best practices and how critical preschool is for kindergarten readiness. Dr. Ybarra reviewed the proposed programs for Pre-K for 2017-2018 school year, which include Gifted Pre-K, Mandarin Pre-K and Foreign Language Immersion (FLI) Pre-K programs.

Action Items

Daniel O'Brien, CFO, presented Action Item IX. A. Approval of Projects for the First and Second Bond Sale for the 2016 Bond Program. At the January 12, 2017 Study Session, the Board reviewed the Bond projects as presented by Mr. O'Brien as "Option A" and "Option B." For this meeting, Mr. O'Brien shared an Excel spreadsheet, entitled "Draft (January 17, 2017)," that outlined a revised list of projects for the Spring of 2017 Bond sale and Fall of 2017 Bond sale, pursuant to the Study Session Board discussion. Discussion ensued regarding which projects would be done in the first Bond sale. Mrs. Kirby proposed keeping the work recommended for Cheyenne Traditional School in the first Bond sale. The Board discussed ways to find the financial capacity to do so and what projects would be included in the first Bond sale.

Mr. O'Brien recapped the work that is being recommended for Cheyenne Traditional School to include:

- Construction of classroom space (first Bond sale)
- Parking lot improvements, including fire lanes (first Bond sale)
- Gymnasium space (second Bond sale)
- Front Office security upgrades - redesign existing space for security purposes (second Bond sale)

Mr. O'Brien then summarized what the first Bond Sale in the Spring of 2017 would include, pursuant to the Board's discussion:

- Move all work on Cheyenne Traditional School to the first Bond sale
- Rebuild Hopi Elementary School
- Start Rebuild of School #2 (to be named) – but refine the costs
- Possible delay demolition of 68th Street Campus
- Replacement of football fields and tracks at Saguaro, Coronado and Chaparral high Schools
- Upgrading and installing cameras at campuses (all schools except rebuilds)
- Upgrading door hardware for security purposes
- Upgrading and renovating site front offices
- Move marquee upgrades to second Bond sale

Mrs. Perleberg moved to approve the projects for the first Bond sale, as summarized by Mr. O'Brien. Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion.

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

Mr. O'Brien presented Action Item IX. B. Approval of Building the Addition of Science and Gymnasium Space for Cheyenne Traditional School. The Board discussed the addition of Science and Gymnasium spaces, as well as parking lot and front-office safety improvements.

Mrs. Perleberg moved to approve the construction of classroom space, parking lot improvements, gymnasium space and front office renovations for Cheyenne Traditional School. Mrs. Kravetz seconded the motion.

•Pre-K Update

Action Items

•Projects for 1st and 2nd Bond Sale

Motion #44

Approval of Projects for the 1st Bond Sale

•Building Additional Space at Cheyenne Traditional School

Motion #45

Approval of Construction Projects at Cheyenne Traditional School

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

Two items were pulled from the Consent Agenda and moved to be heard as Action Items:

Dr. Birdwell presented Action Item IX. C. (Consent Agenda VIII. L.) Approval to Purchase Architectural Services. Orcutt-Winslow Architects is recommended to design the remodel and new construction projects on the Cheyenne Traditional School campus.

Mrs. Kirby moved to approve the Purchase of Architectural Services from Orcutt-Winslow Architects, as presented by Dr. Birdwell. Mrs. Beckham seconded the motion.

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

Dr. Pam Sitton, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Specialized Services, and Dr. Anna McCauley, Assistant Superintendent for Accountability and Instruction, presented Action Item IX. D. (Consent Agenda VIII. M.) Classification Framework Revisions. This item was also presented to the Board for discussion at its January 12, 2017 Study Session. A PowerPoint was shown with further review and discussion of the current classification systems for SUSD teachers and principals. Also reviewed and discussed were samples of what data would be collected to establish the classification for teachers and principals, and how that classification would be determined.

Mrs. Kirby moved to approve the Classification Framework Revisions, as presented. Mrs. Kravetz seconded the motion.

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

Future Items

Mrs. Perleberg recapped Future Items, as requested by Board Members during the meeting:

- Pre-K - Parent surveys
- Pre-K – Number of families registered
- Pre-K – Include in future bond discussions
- Possible funding for full-day kindergarten and marketing opportunities

Mrs. Hartmann requested discussions regarding:

- 2017 SUSD and Superintendent success metrics
- 2017 Employee engagement survey
- Consideration to participate in the next Phoenix 2017 or 2018 “Best Place to Work Survey”
- Pre-K/Title 1 expansion to full day
- Preschool market capture/community partners

Dates of Upcoming Meetings

February 2, 2017 – 4:00 PM – Special Meeting at Coronado HS regarding the Granite Reef Corridor

February 9, 2017 – 3:00 PM – Study Session at Mohave District Annex

February 14, 2017 – 5:00 PM – Regular Board Meeting at Coronado HS

Governing Board Reports

Mrs. Hartmann reported she facilitated the Coronado Success Initiative opportunity in conjunction with the Charros Education Committee and ASU Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College Division of Educational Leadership and Innovation team.

Also, Mrs. Hartmann coordinated a meeting between BUSS (Business United for Scottsdale Schools) board members and the City of Temp City Council to determine if there are any lessons to be learned from its similar, student-focused workforce initiative to build a stronger BUSS financial and organizational model.

At 7:59 PM, Mrs. Kirby moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Hartmann seconded the motion.

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

•Purchase Architectural Services-Cheyenne

Motion #46
Approval to Purchase Architectural Services

•Classification Framework Revisions

Motion #47
Approval of Classification Framework Revisions as Presented

Future Items

Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Governing Board Reports

Motion #48
Adjournment

Dated this 17th day of January 2017

The Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District #48

Barbara Perleberg, President

Pam Kirby, Vice President

Allyson Beckham

Kim Hartmann

Sandy Kravetz

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