

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING/STUDY SESSION
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
SCOTTSDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48**

September 7, 2017

A Special Meeting/Study Session of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 3:07 PM, at the Scottsdale Unified School District Mohave District Annex, 8500 E. Jackrabbit Road, 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. Mrs. Perleberg led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were approximately 20 people present.

Information/Discussion Items

Louis Hartwell, Chief Business and Operations Officer, presented Information/Discussion Item III. A. Overview of Design for Rebuild of Pima Elementary School. Dr. Birdwell informed the Board that there have been many questions regarding the rebuild of Hopi, Pima and Hohokam Elementary Schools, and why one school is being built before another. Hopi Elementary School was chosen to be the first school rebuilt because of its small lot size, which would make the rebuild a complicated one. Pima Elementary School is transitioning to become a Traditional School by the time school starts in August 2018, and, therefore, the rebuild is to be timed for that opening. Hohokam is the third school that will be rebuilt and, at times, will most likely be ahead of the other two schools.

Mr. Hartwell introduced the representatives from the architectural firms Orcutt Winslow and Hunt Caraway, and from the construction firm Core Construction to present the design plans for Pima Elementary School. A slide show presentation was given, showing the proposed design plans for Pima. This design can be adapted for other SUSD locations that are also scheduled to be rebuilt. Dr. Birdwell noted that the desire was to design a school that would allow it to grow without adding classrooms in the first year of operation.

Laura Smith, Chief Financial Officer, and Louis Hartwell, Chief Business & Operations Officer, presented Information/Discussion Item III. B. 2016 Bond and Override Update. Ms. Smith reviewed what voters had approved with the Override and the funds that have been expended thus far. A Bond Oversight Committee has been established, with representatives from each Learning Community. The Committee is not a decision-making committee.

Dr. Pam Sitton, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel and Specialized Services, presented Information/Discussion Item III. C. Professional Development Calendar Discussion for 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 School Years. A later August start date for school was discussed. The Board would also like to see consistency in the calendars. Board Members felt it is beneficial to have a uniform calendar. Dr. Sitton will revise the proposed calendars and bring them back on the September 12, 2017 Consent Agenda.

Dr. Pam Sitton and Michelle Marshall, District Legal Counsel, presented Information/Discussion Item III. D. Discussion of Governing Board Policy Manual: Adoption of GCL (Professional Work Days), GBK (Grievance) and Revision of GCC (Absences). A Policy Development Committee consisting of certified, classified and administrative staff met to discuss the District's policies. The group discussed what constitutes a 40-hour workweek and if teachers would be compensated for working an 8-hour day. The Board discussed the importance of clarity in an employee handbook. The Committee also discussed Policy GCC – Absences without Leave and the need to not have high priority days. Approval for such days would go to the supervisor. The Committee will meet again before the October 17, 2017 Regular Board Meeting. The Policies will be brought back to the Board for a second read as an Action Item.

At 5:31 PM, Mrs. Kirby moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Beckham seconded the motion.

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

Information/Discussion

•Design of Pima

Visitors

•2016 Bond and
Override Update

•Professional
Development Calendars
for 2018-19, 2019-20,
2020-21

•Governing Board
Policies GCL, GBK, and
GCC

Motion #7
Adjournment

Dated this 7th day of September 2017.

The Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District #48

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