

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

January 12, 2017

A Special Meeting/Study Session of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 3:06 PM, at the Scottsdale Unified School District Mohave District Annex, 8500 E. Jackrabbit Road, Scottsdale, Arizona.

Board Members in attendance were Barbara Perleberg, Vice President; Allyson Beckham; Kim Hartmann; Pam Kirby; and Sandy Kravetz. Superintendent Dr. Denise Birdwell was also present. A quorum was present. Vice President Perleberg led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reorganization of Governing Board
President of the Governing Board

Mrs. Kravetz nominated Mrs. Perleberg as President of the Governing Board.
Mrs. Perleberg accepted the nomination.

Having no other nominations, Mrs. Perleberg moved to elect herself as President of the Governing Board. Mrs. Beckham seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.
Mrs. Perleberg was elected President of the Governing Board.

Vice President of the Governing Board

Mrs. Hartmann nominated herself as Vice President of the Governing Board.
Mrs. Kirby nominated herself as Vice President of the Governing Board.

Mrs. Hartmann and Mrs. Kirby each gave reasons why they should be elected Vice President of the Governing Board.

After a short discussion among Board Members, Mrs. Perleberg asked for a motion to nominate the Vice President, one member at a time.

Mrs. Kirby nominated herself as Vice President of the Governing Board. Mrs. Perleberg seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – 1 (Mrs. Hartmann voted NAY).
Mrs. Kirby was elected Vice President of the Governing Board. A second motion was now not necessary.

Information /Discussion

Mr. Terry Worcester, District Planning and Design, along with Allison Suriano, consultant from Facility Management Group (FMG), presented Information/Discussion Item IV. A. Facilities Life Cycle Update. FMG is continuing a thorough and comprehensive Facility Condition Assessment of SUSD's facilities, based on a systems lifecycle platform. Preliminary findings on some of the District's newer schools showed minimal improvements needed. Also shared was a cost roll-up summary on schools that need extensive improvements and that have been assessed to-date.

Dr. Birdwell and Daniel O'Brien, CFO, presented Information/Discussion Item IV. B. Bond Update – Next Projects. Mr. O'Brien shared an excel spread sheet, outlining possibilities for the first Bond sale, Spring of 2017, and the second Bond sale, Fall of 2017, to renovate, improve and construct schools in the District. Discussion ensued regarding different options for the first Bond sale allocations. The first option included the start of rebuilding Hopi Elementary School, the start of the rebuild for the 2nd school (unnamed as yet), additions to Cheyenne Traditional School, the replacement of football fields and tracks at Saguaro, Coronado and Chaparral High Schools, and the demolition of the 68th Street Campus. Also included was upgrading school-site safety at various campuses. The second option included the rebuild of Hopi Elementary School; delaying the start of the rebuild for the 2nd school; building the science space at Cheyenne, with the Cheyenne gymnasium moved to the 2nd Bond sale; the sports field and track replacements; and adding more school-site safety improvements. The Board discussed the two options

Reorganization of Board

Motion #38
Mrs. Perleberg as
President of the
Governing Board

Motion #39
Mrs. Kirby as Vice
President of the
Governing Board

Information/Discussion

•Facilities Life Cycle
Update

•Bond Update – Next
Projects

presented, with Board Members inclined towards addressing safety concerns sooner rather than later.

Dr. Birdwell requested the Board hear Information/Discussion Item IV. D. Classification Framework Revisions Discussion next. The ASU presenters of Information/Discussion Item IV. C. Coronado High School Learning Model – Future Design, had not yet arrived at the meeting.

•Classification Framework Revisions

Dr. Pam Sitton, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel and Specialized Services, and Dr. Anna McCauley, Assistant Superintendent for Accountability and Instruction, presented Information/Discussion Item IV. D. Classification Framework Revisions Discussion. A PowerPoint was shared, reviewing the Teacher and Principal Classification systems. These systems are in compliance with state statute that require a school district adopt an evaluation system that includes a classification system. In 2011, the SUSD Governing Board approved the Teacher Classification System that established two groups of teachers, “A Teachers” and “B Teachers.” Also, in compliance with the statute, SUSD created a principal classification system. Discussion followed regarding the percentages being recommended for the teacher and principal classifications. The item will be brought back on the Consent Agenda at the January 17, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Dr. Birdwell and Dr. Cecilia Johnson, Federal Programs Coordinator, presented Information/Discussion Item IV. C. Coronado High School Learning Model – Future Design. A PowerPoint was shared, reviewing the Initiative and how ASU and the Charros asked Dr. Birdwell what some of the challenges facing the District were and how they could help support the students of SUSD. Conversations followed regarding the needs of Coronado High School and it was then decided that the Coronado Success Initiative (CSI) would be created, with funding from District Desegregation dollars. To begin, ASU and the Charros scheduled a Community Engagement meeting for January 21st at ASU SkySong, with participation from students, parents, the Coronado Community, Alumni, Coronado teachers, SUSD teachers, the classified staff and administrative staff of Coronado. They would begin the design process together and decide what this Initiative would look like.

•Coronado success Initiative

Dr. Birdwell introduced the representatives from ASU, Dr. Punya Mishra, and Carly Nieri. Professor Mishra reviewed the Initiative and discussed how ASU believes it should be more connected with its surrounding communities. Discussion followed regarding the timeline and the teacher selection process. Board Members thanked the Coronado HS community for embracing this Initiative, and thanked ASU and the Charros for this opportunity.

Michelle Marshall, District Legal Counsel, presented Information/Discussion Item IV. E. Open Meeting Law/Conflict of Interest Board Training. A PowerPoint was shown, reviewing the Open Meeting and Conflict of Interest Laws. This is an annual training given to Board Members as a result of a 1998 Consent Decree.

Future Items

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Board Members requested an analysis of solar usage in the District and an update on Desert Mountain High School lifecycles. The Board also asked for monthly updates on Bond dollars expenditures and change orders.

Motion #40
Adjournment

At 5:50 PM, Mrs. Kravetz moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Kirby seconded the motion.

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

Dated this 12th 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
