

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

April 4, 2017

A Special Meeting of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 4:58 PM, at the Scottsdale Unified School District Office, 7575 E. Main Street, 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.

Dr. Pam Sitton, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel & Special Services, presented Action Item II. A. Approval of the Placement of Three (3) Additional Professional Development Work Days for Certified Employees for 2017-2018 School Year. Certified Staff Employment Contracts were sent out listing 186 workdays, with three of those days left unidentified. In response to a teacher who said she wasn't comfortable signing a contract without knowing what the three additional days are, Dr. Birdwell stated that she had asked Dr. Sitton to work with Julie Cieniawask, President of the Scottsdale Education Association (SEA), to develop a survey requesting teacher input on calendar placement of the three additional professional development days. Three choices were given:

- Friday, 7/28; Monday, 7/31; and Tuesday, 8/1
- Wednesday, 7/26; Thursday, 7/27; and Monday, 7/31
- Monday, 7/31; Tuesday, 8/1; and Wednesday, 11/22

Dr. Sitton shared the results of the survey. Of the 845 teachers who opened the survey, 662 responded:

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| • Friday, 7/28; Monday, 7/31; and Tuesday, 8/1 | 188 responses (28.40%) |
| • Wednesday, 7/26; Thursday, 7/27; and Monday, 7/31 | 127 responses (19.18%) |
| • Monday, 7/31; Tuesday, 8/1; and Wednesday, 11/22 | 347 responses (52.42%) |

Discussion followed concerning future school-year calendars, re-evaluating the placement of professional development days for teachers and the need for professional development to be more meaningful.

Mrs. Beckham moved to approve the placement of three additional professional development days for Certified employees for the 2017-2018 school year, as presented:

- Monday, 7/31; Tuesday, 8/1; and Wednesday, 11/22

Mrs. Kirby seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

At 5:22 PM, Mrs. Hartmann moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Kirby seconded the motion,

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

Dated this 4th day of April 2017.

The Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District #48

Barbara Perleberg, President

Pam Kirby, Vice President

Allyson Beckham

Kim Hartmann

Action Item

•3 Additional PD Days

Motion #75

Approval of Placement of 3 Additional PD Days for 2017-18

Motion #76

Adjournment

Sandy Kravetz

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