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

April 6, 2021

A Special Meeting of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 6:00 PM, at the Scottsdale Unified School District, Mohave District Annex, 8500 E. Jackrabbit Road, Scottsdale, Arizona. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Scottsdale Governing Board and to the general public that the Governing Board will hold a public meeting open to the public on April 6, 2021. Members of the Governing Board and non-Board member participants will participate in the meeting in-person with masks on, via an online platform, or may participate by telephonic communication.

Members of the public will also be able to view the public portions of this meeting online, at the usual live streamed site through YouTube.

Board Members in attendance were Jann-Michael Greenburg, President; Julie Cieniawski, Vice President; Patty Beckman; Dr. Libby Hart-Well; and Zach Lindsay. Superintendent Dr. Scott A. Menzel was also present. A quorum was present. Mr. Greenburg called upon Mrs. Cieniawski to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Greenburg read the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Land Acknowledgement.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Students and Staff Recognitions and Celebrations

Acknowledgement of some outstanding celebrations:

- April 7th is Paraprofessionals Day. Dr. Linda Brake, Director for Special Education, shared the work of the paraprofessionals in her department. Keri Blaker, Administrative Support Coordinator and President of Scottsdale Support Professionals Association (SSPA), made brief remarks about the members her organization represents. We look forward to celebrating Paraprofessionals Day tomorrow.

- This week is National Assistant Principals Week. A-Ps provide the often-invisible support that holds schools together. A-Ps are appreciated every day, but we get this special week to recognize them, too! Dr. Ibi Haghighat, Assistant Superintendent Elementary Education and Dr. Milissa Sackos, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Education, recognized the Assistant Principals. Thank you for everything you do every day to support your Principals, your schools and our students!

- This is also National Library Week. The library staff at our schools always sustain students’ thirst for knowledge and support teachers in their need for additional learning resources. We want to acknowledge their contributions to SUSD’s ‘pandemic-navigating,’ and pass along our appreciation to our school library workers. Thank you!

- SUSD’s Visual Arts classrooms have continued to provide the incredible art education in which we, as a district, take such great pride. The displays in the Board room are just a small token of the incredible artwork being created in both our in-person and virtual classrooms. Each of our schools has contributed an example of what is happening in their classrooms this school year. Thank you for sharing your students’ work with us and thank you to Fine Arts Coordinator, Michelle Irwin, for being our art museum curator.

Superintendent’s Comments

Dr. Scott A. Menzel presented the following comments:

- Surveillance testing – we cannot move forward at this timed due to low numbers of parent participation. We may want to revisit this in the future.

- Town Hall meetings are scheduled in each of the 5 Learning Communities. This will be an opportunity for community members (staff, students, parents) and anyone else in the community to come to one of the five high schools to participate in a conversation about points of pride, what is working well in the district and to share ideas about opportunities for growth. The Town Halls will be in person and virtual. The first two are on April 7th at Arcadia High School Auditorium and April 8th at Coronado High School Auditorium. All five will take place before the end of April.
SUSD recently approved an IGA with the City of Scottsdale for Internal Auditing function and today was the launch meeting. An anticipated timeline for a draft report for our review is in August with the final report planned to go to the Governing Board in September. Looking forward to the partnership with the City of Scottsdale related to internal auditing.

**Information/Discussion Items**

5 A. ELA 6-12 Adoption AP Psychology and IB Theory of Knowledge for Implementation in the 2021-2022 School Year

Sheryl Rednor, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning; Dr. Tim Fountain, Director of Professional Development; and the Adoption Committee (Paul Becker, Secondary ELA Instructional Coach; Allie Dyer, Ingleside MS; Traci Avalos, SOL; Tammy Holmberg, Saguaros; Angela; Dr. Jo Markette, Coronado; Scott Hammond, Chaparral; Stephen Williamson, Mohave; and Darcy Brodison, Arcadia), presented recommendations to adopt new materials for implementation in the 2021-2022 school year. PowerPoint presented: Spring 2021 Curriculum Adoptions.

Mr. Greenburg noted that on the agenda is the IB Theory of Knowledge (IB TOK) for implementation, but it was not presented. It will be presented for a first read at a future Board meeting. The Board conducted 2x2x1 meetings with the curriculum team to go over the presentation and ask questions before hand, so the limited number of questions tonight is a result of that work.

5. B. First Read of Proposed Revisions to Governing Board Policy: BEDB – Agenda

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation to a change to existing Governing Board Policy BEDB regarding agenda.

5. C. First Read of Proposed Adoption of Governing Board Policy GCCA – Professional/Support Staff Sick Leave

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation to consider the adoption of proposed Governing Board Policy GCCA regarding professional/support staff sick leave. The proposed policy is a new policy for the District.

5. D. First Read of Proposed Adoption of Governing Board Policy: HA – Employment Agreement(s)

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation for a first reading of proposed Governing Board Policy HA regarding Employment Agreements. The proposed policy is a new policy for the District.

5. E. First Read of Proposed Revisions to Governing Board Policy JICK – Student Violence/Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation to change existing Governing Board Policy JICK regarding student violence/harassment/intimidation/bullying.

5. Consent Agenda
   A. Approval of Consent Agenda Items
   B. Personnel Action Items, 3/3/21 to 3/16/21
   C. Approval of Revisions to High School and Middle School Planning Guide for the 2021-2022
   D. Arizona K12 Center/NAU Arizona New Teacher Support Program Grant Application
   E. Authorization of Expenditure – Arcadia Stadium Field House Renovation Project
   F. Authorization of Expenditure – Kitchen Equipment for Hohokam Elementary School
   G. Authorization of Expenditure – School Furniture for Hohokam Elementary School
   H. Authorization of Expenditure – Desert Mountain HS Track and Field Project
   I. Authorization of Expenditure – Desert Mountain HS Curtainwall Replacement Phase 1

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

7. Action Items – Board Action Required
7. A. Approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement ("IGA") between Scottsdale Unified School District ("SUSD") and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community ("SRPMIC")

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, spoke on specific provisions in the IGA and recommended amendments and Sheila Cepress, Native American Education Program Coordinator, provided historical context. Ms. MacLennan proposed the following changes:

1) The removal of the choice of law provision
2) Capitalization issue with respect to paragraph D in the last section
3) To have Dr. Menzel sign the agreement as the Executive Officer appointed by the Governing Board

With these amendments, Ms. MacLennan proposed that the Governing Board entertain a motion to approve the IGA as amended.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve Intergovernmental Agreement ("IGA") between Scottsdale Unified School District ("SUSD") and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community ("SRPMIC") as amended. Mrs. Beckman seconded the motion. Mrs. Beckman seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

7. B. FFCRA Extension

Dr. Jed Bowman, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources, presented a recommendation to approve up to sixty-four (64) hours of paid sick leave as a benefit of employment regarding one of the six qualifying reasons for leave related to COVID-19 under the previous Familias First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) for the time period of March 31, 2021 to June 30, 2021.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the FFCRA Extension as presented. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

7. C. Action to suspend Governing Board Policies GCO and GDO for the 2020-2021 school year and to distribute performance-based pay equally to all eligible teachers pro-rated for part-time status

Dr. Jed Bowman, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources and Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented recommendations and implications of Senate Bill 1165.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve action to suspend Governing Board Policies GCO and GDO for the 2020-2021 school year and to distribute performance-based pay equally to all eligible teachers pro-rated for part-time status. Mrs. Beckman seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

7. D. Approval of Medical Insurance Recommendations for the 2021-2022 School Year


Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Medical Insurance Recommendations for the 2021-2022 School Year as presented. Mrs. Beckman seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Mr. Greenburg noted that the April 20, 2021 Regular Meeting will be held at Coronado High School at 6:00 PM.

8. Executive Session – Board Action Required

Mr. Greenburg moved to convene in Executive Session for:

8. A. The Governing Board may recess into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4) to receive legal advice from and provide direction to the attorney for the public body regarding a potential lease with Phoenix Rising at 8801 E. Oak Street.

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

9. Reconvene Special Meeting
Mr. Greenburg moved to reconvene the Special Meeting at 8:47 PM. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. Executive Session – Action Items – Board Action Required

10. A. Provide direction to the attorney for the public body regarding potential lease with Phoenix Rising.

Mr. Greenburg moved to direct the attorneys for the public body to move forward with the lease negotiations with Phoenix Rising as discussed in executive session. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

At 8:48 PM, Mr. Greenburg moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Mrs. Beckman seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Dated this 6th day of April 2021

The Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District #48

[Signatures]

Jenn-Michael Greenburg, President
Julie Cieniawski, Vice President
Patty Beckman
Dr. Libby Hart-Wells
Zach Lindsay