November 9, 2021

A Special Meeting and Executive Session of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 6:01 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 was 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 November 9, 2021. Members of the Governing Board and non-Board member participants participated in the meeting in-person with masks on.

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

Board Members in attendance were Jenn-Michael Greenburg, President; Julie Cieniawski, Vice President; Patty Beckman Dr. Libby Hart-Wells; 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 moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Dr. Menzel thanked all Scottsdale Unified School District employees for what they do every day in support of SUSD students, teachers, staff, schools and school communities.

November 8th – 12th is National School Psychology Week and November 15th – 19th is American Education Week. Wednesday, November 17th is Education Support Professionals Day and Friday, November 19th is Substitute Educators Day. Thank you to all SUSD employees, represented by the Scottsdale Education Association, the Scottsdale Support Professionals Association and the Scottsdale Administrators Association, for your ongoing outstanding performance.

Information/Discussion Items
3. A. SAA, SEA and SSPA Updates

Grace Stombres, SAA Co-President; Veronica Leiper, SAA Co-President; Becky Williams, SEA President and Keri Blaker, SSPA President presented a unified update from the three associations.

3. B. First Read: High School and Middle School Planning Guide for the 2022-2023 School Year

Dr. Kim Guerin, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services; Dr. Kim Dodds Kieran, Director of Teaching and Learning and Mrs. Melinda Splitk, Assistant Principal Education Services, Coronado High School presented the proposed Middle School and High School Course Planning Guide including updates for state alignment, minor revisions and course additions for the 2022-2023 school year. PowerPoint Presentation: MSPG & HSPG Updates 2022-2023 School Year.

3. C. First Read of Proposed Revisions to Policy BEDD – Public Participation at Board Meetings

Lori Birt, General Counsel, recommended that changes be made to existing Governing Board Policy BEDD. The proposed revisions will add a provision to the policy addressing the rules of order at public board meetings.

3. D. First Read of Proposed Revisions to Policy BEDH – Public Participation at Board Meetings

Lori Bird, General Counsel, recommended that changes be made to existing Governing Board Policy BEDH. The proposed revisions will add a provision to the policy addressing public participation at board meetings.

4. Action Items – Board Action Required

4. A. Second Read and Approval of Revisions to Policy JK – Student Discipline
Lori Bird, General Counsel, recommended that the Governing Board approve and adopt the revisions to Policy JK - Student Discipline.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Second Read and Approval of Revisions to Policy JK - Student Discipline. Dr. Hart-Wells seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

4. B. Second Read and Approval of Revisions to Policy JKD - Student Suspension

Lori Bird, General Counsel, recommended that the Governing Board approve and adopt the revisions to Policy JKD - Student Suspension.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Second Read and Approval of Revisions to Policy JKD - Student Suspension. Dr. Hart-Wells seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

4. C. Second Read and Approval of Revisions to Policy JKE - Expulsion of Students

Lori Bird, General Counsel, recommended that the Governing Board approve and adopt the revisions to Policy JKE - Expulsion of Students.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Second Read and Approval of Revisions to Policy JKE - Expulsion of Students. Dr. Hart-Wells seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

4. D. Approval of Revisions to Policy IHAMB - Family Life Education

Lori Bird, General Counsel, recommended that the Governing Board approve the revisions of Policy IHAMB - Family Life Education.

Dr. Hart-Wells proposed the following amendments to IHAMB:
- Title Change to Sex Education and Corresponding Rights of Parents
- In the 4th paragraph adding the word “shall” (The school district shall notify ……)
- In the 6th paragraph remove the “s” from districts

Dr. Hart-Wells moved to approve the Revisions to Policy IHAMB - Family Life Education as amended. Mr. Greenburg seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

4. E. Approval of Revisions to Policy JFB - Open Enrollment

Lori Bird, General Counsel, recommended that the Governing Board approve the revisions of Policy JFB - Open Enrollment.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Revisions to Policy JFB - Open Enrollment. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

4. F. Approval of Sixth Amendment to Easement Agreement with American Towers LLC (“AT”) at Yavapai Elementary School

Lori Bird, General Counsel, recommended that the Governing Board approve the Sixth Amendment to Easement Agreement with American Towers LLC (“AT”) at Yavapai Elementary School.

Mrs. Beckman moved to table the Approval of Sixth Amendment to Easement Agreement with American Towers LLC (“AT”) at Yavapai Elementary School pending further questioning from General Counsel. Dr. Hart-Wells seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

4. G. Approval of Award of Request for Proposal No. 22-33-26 — Districtwide Data Gathering & Analysis

Shannon Crosier, Chief Financial Officer, recommended that the Governing Board award Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 22-33-26 for Districtwide Data Gathering & Analysis to The Hanover Research Council for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and authorize four (4) additional one-year renewals.
Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Approval of Award of Request for Proposal No. 22-33-26 — Districtwide Data Gathering & Analysis. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.


Shannon Crosier, Chief Financial Officer, recommended that the Governing Board approve the Revised FY2020-2021 Annual Financial Report, which includes the school-by-School report.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Revised FY 2020-2021 Annual Financial Report (AFR). Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

5. Executive Session – Board Action Required

Mr. Greenburg moved to convene in Executive Session for:

5. A. The Governing Board will convene in executive session to review with the Superintendent his quarterly performance and to discuss the working relationship between the Superintendent and the Board.

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

At 10:16 PM the Special Meeting reconvened

At 10:16 PM, Mr. Greenburg moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Dated this 9th day of November 2021

The Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District #48

Jann-Michael Greenburg, President

Julie Cieniawski, Vice President

Patty Beckman

Dr. Libby Hart-Wells

Zach Lindsay