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

April 20, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District, #48, Maricopa County, was called to order at 6:15 PM, at the Scottsdale Unified School District Coronado High School, 7501 E. Virginia Avenue, 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 20, 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-Wellis; 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.

There was a revision to the agenda. Agenda Item 8Q, Authorization of Expenditure – Parking Lot Improvement Projects at Eleven School, was pulled from the agenda.

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

Students and Staff Recognitions and Celebrations
Acknowledgement of some outstanding celebrations:
- Dr. Milissa Sacks, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Education, Deanne McDaniel, Comprehensive Gifted Science Teacher and Principal Erin Kadera, celebrated Ingleside MS student Aidan McClure – NASA, Future Engineers semifinalist. Congratulations Aidan! Aiden was presented with an SUSD challenge coin.
- Dr. Kim Guerin, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services, along with Susan Leonard, Abbey Bobet and Principals Todd Driefort and Walter Chantler congratulated two new NBCTs: Anne Waddington, Cherokee Elementary and Clare Gustkey, Chaparral High School. Thank you, Mrs. Waddington and Mrs. Gustkey, for your dedication to your craft and to your students.
- Dr. Ibi Haghighi, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education and Principal Jen Waldron celebrated Kyle Bragg, Anasazi - SHAPE America's 2021 Elementary School P.E. Teacher of the Year. Congratulations on your accomplishment, Mr. Bragg, and for choosing SUSD to develop your considerable instructional talents. And thank you, Gabriella, for sharing your student perspective about your P.E. teacher.
- The Arizona Department of Education announced the allocation of $21.3 million in federal COVID relief funds, known as ESSER funds, to support the School Safety Grant Program. This funding will support the hiring of an additional 71 school counselors and 69 school social workers for two years across the state of Arizona. Twenty-two of those social workers will work at SUSD schools. Every school in the Scottsdale Unified School District will have a full-time, grant-funded social worker for the two-year grant cycle. Deepest appreciation to Dr. Sacks and Shannon Cronn, Director of Support Services, to Dr. Guerin, Sheryl Rednor, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, and Lindsay Stollar Slover, grant-writer, for the long, arduous work that went into gathering the information to write and submit 28 grant proposals on behalf of each SUSD school. Thank you!
- Last month, we met Trystan Davenport from Desert Mountain High School, who is competing in the national English Speaking Union's annual Shakespeare competition’s People’s Choice Award. To vote for Trystan: Text NSC27 to 212-818-1200, it's free. Voting ends Friday this week, so get your vote in while you can to support this outstanding SUSD thespian. Good luck, Trystan!
- April 21 is National Administrative Professionals Day. Thank you to our school secretaries, administrative and executive assistants, and other administrative support professionals who keep our schools and district offices on time and on task. We appreciate you!
- Tuesday, April 27, is School Bus Drivers Appreciation Day. When you're dropping off or picking up your student that day – or any day, give a shout out to your bus driver to thank him

Motion #154
Approval of Agenda as Amended
Students and Staff Recognitions and Celebrations
or her for getting our children to and from school safely every day and transporting our middle school and high school athletic teams to games, meets and matches.

Superintendent’s Comments
Dr. Merzel highlighted the following:
- On April 19, the Governor issued a new statement with respect to the wearing of masks at our schools. Dr. Cara Christ also issued a statement from the Arizona Department of Health Services and the Scottsdale Unified School District issued a statement. We have been able to keep our schools open for in person learning since September 12th. If we move too quickly with not having to wear masks, we might jeopardize the ability to finish the year strong. In order to finish the year strong we need to continue to wear masks.

Public Comments – Agenda, Non-Agenda, Information/Discussion, and Consent Agenda Items

Eleven Public Comment cards were presented:
- Rev. Martha Seaman – Action Item 10I, Recognizing SEA is the right thing to do.
- David Hanlon – Association Recognition, Vice President of SEA, Action Item 10I
- Allyson Beckham – Policy HA, Action Item 10I, do not approve
- Keri Blaker – Scottsdale Support Professionals Association (SSPA) on HA Agreement recognition, Action Item 10I
- Amanda Wray – Action Item 10A
- Rose Smith – HA Agreement, Action Item 10I, recognize SUSD associations: SEA, SAA, SSPA
- Krista Demetrious – HA Agreement, Action Item 10I
- Trish Olson – Action Item 10A
- Nick Noonan – Policy HA, Action Item 10I
- Karen Teon – Action Item 10I
- Katie Woodward – Recognition Action Item 10I

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS
7. A. Student Advisory Board April Presentation – Chaparral and Desert Mountain High School

Caroline Carter, President, Student Advisory Board (Chaparral High School student), Trex Jones, President-Elect, Advisory Board (Arcadia High School Student), Sowmya Viswanathan (Desert Mountain HS, SAB Senator) and Jake Ziger (Desert Mountain HS) presented a PowerPoint: Student Advisory Board Update – Chaparral and Desert Mountain Spotlights. Updates on the two Teen Town Halls (Coronado and Chaparral), the presentation to SUSD Foundation (future partnership-Innovation Fund proposal) and presentation/participation with the Strategic Planning Design Team along with spotlights on Chaparral High School and Desert Mountain High School.

8. Consent Agenda
A. Approval of Consent Agenda Items
B. Acceptance of Gifts $49,232.49
C. Accounts Payable Vouchers (630 Bond Fund) Processed from February 10 through March 3, 2021
D. Accounts Payable Vouchers Processed from March 5 through April 7, 2021
E. Payroll Vouchers Processed from March 10 through April 1, 2021
F. Personnel Action Items, 3/17/21 to 4/6/21
G. Approval of Minutes of March 16, 2021 Special Governing Board Meeting and Executive Session
H. Approval of Minutes of March 16, 2021 Regular Governing Board Meeting
I. Approval of Minutes of April 6, 2021 Special Governing Board Meeting and Executive Session
J. Instructional Resource Assistant Job Description and Work Calendar Updates
K. Mentor Teacher Job Description
L. Reclassification of Office Manager Position
M. Reclassification of Director of Facilities
N. Approval of Multiple Vendor Award of RFP No. 22-01-27 — Hearing Officers to Harold J. Merkow, Attorney at Law, and Osborn Maledon
O. Approval of Award of RFP No. 22-04-27 — Backflow Prevention Parts & Service to Backflow Prevention Device Inspections (BPDI)
P. Approval of Award of RFP No. 22-02-27 — Middle School Sports Officials to Tri Star Sports Officials
Q. Authorization of Expenditure – Parking Lot Improvement Projects at Eleven School Campuses
Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Mrs. Beckman seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Public Comments – Action Items

There were no Public Comments on Action Items.

ACTION ITEMS

10. A. Implementation for the 2021-2022 School year in the following areas: 6-8 English Language Arts, 9-12 English Language Arts, AP Literature, AP Language, AP Psychology

Dr. Kimberly Guerin, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services and Sheryl Rednor, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning recommended that the Governing Board approve the materials for the adoptions for implementation in the 2021-2022 school year.

Dr. Hart-Wells moved to approve the Implementation for the 2021-2022 School year in the following areas: 6-8 English Language Arts, 9-12 English Language Arts, AP Literature, AP Language, AP Psychology as presented. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. B. Approval of Purchase of Teacher Laptops

Dr. Patrick Sweeney, Interim Chief Systems Officer, recommended that the Governing Board approve the purchase of 170 Dell Latitude 7420 teacher laptops with Dell Dock-WD19 docking stations through Dell Technologies in accordance with the State of Arizona Cooperative Contract #ADSP016-098163.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Purchase of Teacher Laptops. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. C. Approval of Purchase of Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs)

Dr. Patrick Sweeney, Interim Chief Systems Officer, recommended that the Governing Board approve the purchase and installation of 170 75" View Sonic Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs) for classrooms in the Arcadia, Coronado, and Saguaro complexes.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Purchase of Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs). Dr. Hart-Wells seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. D. Approval of Purchase of 170 Lenovo M80Q Tiny Processors

Dr. Patrick Sweeney, Interim Chief Systems Officer, recommended that the Governing Board approve the purchase and installation of 170 Lenovo M80Q Tiny Processors.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Purchase of 170 Lenovo M80Q Tiny Processors. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 - 0.

10. E. Pupil Transportation School Bus Purchase

Brendan Wagner, Director of Pupil Transportation, recommended that the Governing Board approve the purchase of five (5) Type ‘D’ 84-passenger rear engine school buses from RWC Group.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Pupil Transportation School Bus Purchase. Mrs. Beckman seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. F. Tentative Approval of Capital Budget for the 2021-2022 School Year


Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Tentative Approval of Capital Budget for the 2021-2022 School Year. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. G. Approval of Revisions to Policy BEDB – Agenda
Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation that the Governing Board approve the revisions to Policy BEDB - Agenda.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Revisions to Policy BEDB - Agenda. Mrs. Beckman seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. H. Approval of Adoption of Policy GCCA – Professional/Support Staff Sick Leave

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation that the Governing Board approve the adoption of Policy GCCA Professional/Support Staff Sick Leave.

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Adoption of Policy GCCA – Professional/Support Staff Sick Leave. Mrs. Cieniawski seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. I. Approval of Adoption of Policy HA – Employment Agreement(s)

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation that the Governing Board approve the adoption of Policy HA Employment Agreement(s).

A roll call vote was requested on Action Item 10I:
- Zach Lindsay – Yes
- Libby Hart-Wells – Yes
- Patty Beckman – Yes
- Julie Cieniawski – Yes
- Jann-Michael Greenburg – Yes

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Adoption of Policy HA – Employment Agreement(s). Mrs. Cieniawski seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

10. J. Approval of Revisions to Policy JICK – Student Violence/Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying

Jennifer MacLennan, Outside Counsel, presented the Policy Committee’s recommendation that the Governing Board approve the revisions to Policy JICK Student Violence/Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying, which upon approval will be known as “Student Bullying/Harassment/Intimidation.”

Mr. Greenburg moved to approve the Revisions to Policy JICK – Student Violence/Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying. Dr. Hart-Wells seconded. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Future Items
Mrs. Cieniawski
- Request: 1) discussion about placing caps on class sizes and not based on averages, 2) a more thorough discussion about how the ESSER funds will be used and how things will look differently for students learning experience, 3) summer school – find more creative ways to offer learning opportunities throughout our district for PreK-12.

Dr. Hart-Wells
- ESSER funding request - update on the creative ideas that have been solicited from teachers on how to deploy resources in accordance with the stated goals of the law.
- Renew request for comprehensive outcomes data on academic performance and the events that impact academic performance such as discipline and attendance.

Dates of Upcoming Meetings
A. Tuesday, May 4, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Special Governing Board Meeting - MDA
B. Tuesday, May 18, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Regular Governing Board Meeting – Coronado High School
C. Anticipated Executive Session on May 4, 2021

Governing Board Reports
Mrs. Beckman
- Thank you to everyone that supported Project Prom and the community members and Board members that volunteered. Thank you to SEA, Scottsdale Parent Council, Nutrition Services, Rose Smith, and the students in the culinary program at Chaparral for the delicious cookies. It was a great night, and we can’t wait for next year.
Mrs. Cieniawski
- Thank you to the SEA for initiating Project Prom and to Governing Board Member Beckman for her work to see it through fruition.

Dr. Hart-Wells
- Participated in Laguna Elementary STEAM night, Tonalea K-8 Mad Scientist night, a number of ASBA webinars, Community Town Hall and listened in on the Teen Town Hall.

Mr. Greenburg
- Thank you to those that participated in the Superintendent Town Hall.

At 9:04 PM, Mr. Greenburg moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Hart-Wells seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 – 0.

Dated this 20th day of April 2021

The Governing Board of the Scottsdale Unified School District #48

John Michael Greenburg, President

Julie Cieniawski, Vice President

Patty Beckman

Dr. Libby Hart-Wells

Zach Lindsay

Motion #158
Adjournment