



**Governing Board
Regular Public Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2015**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Briceno, Board Member at 4:21 p.m.

Roll Call: Nubia Briceno and Stacy Marchelli were in attendance. Delson Sunn arrived late at 5:00 pm

Administration Present:

Dr. James W. Rice, Superintendent

Susan O’Rielly, Executive Director of Business

Carrie Brandon, Director of Student Services

Adam Klingelhoets, Hurley Ranch Assistant Principal

Dru Barisich, Dos Rios Assistant Principal

Norma Pacheco, Human Resource Director

Melanie Block, Academic Services Director

Michael Welsh, Union Elementary Principal

Tommie Dyer, Hurley Ranch Principal

- II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to adopt the agenda. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- III. VOTE TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to convene to an executive session at 4:21 pm for

- A. The discussion of the annual goals for the Superintendent Dr. James W. Rice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03, subsections A, paragraph 1.
- B. The discussion to conduct a Superintendent search pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03, subsections A, paragraph 1.

Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- IV. RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING**

Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Briceno to reconvene the public meeting at 5:00 pm. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- VI. SUPERINTENDENT TOP HAPPENINGS**

Dr. James Rice, Superintendent presented the governing board with the top happenings around the district.

- 1. Dos Rios had the pleasure to speak with CBS 5 and KTVK 3 yesterday to highlight the music, and art programs that were made possible by Tax Credit Donations and the efforts by the City of Phoenix to raise awareness about the benefits of tax credits and how it can help the extracurricular programs at schools. With the 400% increase in tax credits last year, Dos Rios was able to purchase music instruments, art supplies, go on field trips, and provide after school sports. The news piece aired last night on the 5 pm news.
- 2. Hurley Ranch had 90 participants in this year’s spelling bee; that is the highest number in Hurley Ranch history! The competition was today at Hurley Ranch. The winners will move on to the District Bee in January.

3. On December 1st Dos Rios got a visit from the Phoenix Suns Gorilla to help kick off the Dos Rios boys and girls basketball season.
4. The Hurley Ranch Choir is going to the State Capital tomorrow to sing at the 50th Anniversary Holiday Concert Series at the State Capital entrance. The choir sings directly in front of the official Arizona Christmas Tree.
5. On Friday, December 4th Dos Rios had a visit from the Tolleson High School Choir to do a little concert for the 7th and 8th grade students. The students enjoyed the concert and also got a glimpse of the extracurricular options they will have in high school.

Dos Rios also held their first ever winter music concert on December 8th. Ms. Estrada did an awesome job with the Kindergarten, third, and fourth grade students.
6. The Hurley Ranch students participating in A World In Motion (AWIM) the student STEM projects will compete against each other in their final run next Tuesday. Medals will be given to the top winners and a trophy to the over-all winning group.
7. Dos Rios had 60 dads come to participate in the Mr. Collins Donuts with Dad event this morning. It was nice to see all the dads coming to the school to share a donut with their children.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

Susan O’Rielly gave a presentation on the first revision to the School District Expenditure Budget for the 2015-2016 school year.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS-None

IX. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

A. Summary of Current Events

1. The Governing Board enjoyed a holiday performance that was led by Ms. Sabrina Estrada and Mr. Christopher Painter. Mrs. Haley’s third grade class represented Dos Rios. The Galaxy choir represented Hurley Ranch. After the choir performances the Governing Board gave a break to allow parents and students to exit if they chose to.
2. Melanie Block, Director of Academic Services gave a presentation on the District AzMerit Data. She gave a comparison of the state average, the school average, and the individual school average.

X. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to approve consent items.

- A. Approval of Regular Public Meeting Minutes.
- B. Approval of Personnel Items as presented.
- C. Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers
- D. Approval of Payroll Vouchers
- E. Approval of Student Activity Accounts
- F. Approval of Gifts and Donations

Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

2. New Business

- A. Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Briceno to approve the field trip request to the Grand Canyon on May 6, 2016. Mrs. Vail's 4th grade class at Dos Rios is requesting Governing Board approval for a field trip to the Grand Canyon on May 6, 2016. Students will leave Dos Rios at 5:30 am and will return at 10:00 pm. The cost of the field trip is approximately \$6,700 which will be paid from Student Council and PTA funds and includes charter bus and train costs for the eighty (80) students and eighteen (18) chaperones. Per Governing Board Policy IJOA, the Governing Board must grant approval for longer field trips that are outside of the school day. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mr. Sunn to approve the first revision to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 District Expenditure Budget per A.R.S. § 15-905. Section 13. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to approve the Statement of Assurance for the District's Teacher Evaluation System. Per A.R.S § 15-537, the Governing Board must submit evidence to the State Board of Education that the evaluation system originally approved by the Governing Board continues to meet all requirements set forth in the this statue. The signed Assurance is evidence of that. The Governing Board must certify that the district evaluation system is in compliance with A.R.S. § 15-537 and the monies have been expended for teacher compensation in A.R.S § 15-952. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to approve the personnel complaint to be filed with the Arizona Department of Education against Rosemary Martinez teaching certificate. Administration requested the Governing Board approve a written complaint to be filed on behalf of the Union Elementary School District with the Arizona Department of Education regarding a Kindergarten Teacher, Rosemary Martinez, who cancelled her contract by email on November 19, 2015, without explanation. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

XI. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS-None

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Requests for future agenda items.-None
- B. Upcoming Board Presentations
- January 14, 2015-Dos Rios AzMerit presentation
Hurley Ranch AzMerit presentation

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli, to adjourn the Public Meeting at 5:49 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Delson Sunn, President of the Board

Date