

**Governing Board
Regular Public Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2016**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Briceno, Governing Board Member at 5:01 p.m.

Roll Call: Nubia Briceno and Stacy Marchelli were in attendance. Delson Sunn was absent.

Mrs. Marchelli made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Briceno to nominate Mrs. Briceno as president to reside over the meeting in Mr. Sunn's absence. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Administration Present:

*Dr. James W. Rice, Superintendent
Susan O'Rielly, Executive Director of Business
Carrie Brandon, Director of Student Services
Adam Klingelhoets, Hurley Ranch Principal
Dr. Dru Barisich, Dos Rios Assistant Principal*

*Norma Pacheco, Human Resource Director
Melanie Block, Academic Services Director
Michael Welsh, Union Elementary Principal
Milton Collins, Dos Rios Principal*

II. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

IV. **SUPERINTENDENT TOP HAPPENINGS**

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

1. Mr. Klingelhoets and the Hurley teachers recognized star students during the Star Student assembly. Every teacher selected one student to recognize for the month of December and one student for the month of January. These students were presented with a certificate and their specific academic, behavioral or character accomplishment was shared and celebrated with their peers.
2. Union Elementary School got a visit yesterday from KNIX Country. They visited Mr. Moeses's class and named him their Teacher of the Week. Mr. Moeses was nominated by a Union parent Sonia. She nominated him because of his dedication to students and parents, his welcoming classroom, and promoting a positive self-esteem to his students. Congratulations to Mr. Moeses!
3. Dos Rios, Hurley Ranch and Union schools each held their own science fair in January and February. The Science Fair was a huge success and produced many creative and thoughtful projects. Union elementary transformed their hallway into an "under the Sea" experience. The Arizona Herpetological Association also brought snakes and other reptiles for viewing and touching. Each school had a great turn out of parents and community members. First and second place winners were identified in grades three through seven. Each winner will go on to the district science fair on February 19th.

4. Dos Rios is holding its first Valentines Day dance on February 12th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. A Literacy Reading Night on Thursday February 18 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the gym, and also having a McTeacher Night on Friday February 26 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the McDonald's on 99th and Lower Buckeye.
5. Union Elementary and their PAC held a rummage sale on January 31st in the parking lot using donations given from parents and staff. Items were reasonably priced to provide affordable items to purchase by our Union Elementary community. Union PAC raised \$191.
6. The Academic Services team is developing a menu of presentations for the February 24th half day professional development. Teachers will be able to select two staff development sessions from eight academic presentations being offered that afternoon. Some of the titled presentations are: Place Value Disks; Grammar Gallery; Plickers; Classroom Dojo; Interactive ELA notebooks; Accommodations; Galileo; and Hands on Worksheets. One of best things about this staff development afternoon, besides teachers learning new techniques to take back to the classroom, is our own teachers will be teaching the classes. Teachers learning from other Teachers!

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS-None

VI. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

A. Summary of Current Events

1. Mr. Michael Welsh gave the Governing Board a presentation on the DIBELS Next and Galileo Data for the Union Elementary School District. This included where students placed in the beginning of the year and middle of the year testing. Testing areas include Math and Reading. Kindergarten saw an increase in both Math and Reading in the middle of year, while the first grade saw a decline. Mr. Welsh has put an action plan in place to increase first grade comprehension that includes individualized teaching and teacher professional development.
2. Mr. Ryan Statom, Transportation Supervisor gave a presentation on the transportation department functions. The transportation department services students for pick up and drop off to school, field trips, McKinney-Vento students, and Special Education students that require transportation in their IEP's. The department does receive some state funding and the remaining amount is made up by the maintenance and operations budget. Transportation employees go through annual training and testing to insure compliance. Mr. Statom also went over the driver's pre-trip checks, DPS inspections and CDL requirements.

VII. 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 Mrs. Marchelli, seconded by Mrs. Briceno to approve the 2016-2017 school calendar. Per A.R.S. § 15.901 the Governing Board shall establish the school calendar each year. The 2016-2017 school calendar that was presented is the same calendar as the Tolleson Union High School District calendar with the exception of August 8th and February 8th. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to approve the Certified Teacher Salary Placement Schedule plan A and plan B for the 2016-2017 school year. Plan A is contingent on the passing of Proposition 123. The schedule reflects a 1% increase to base level placements. With the intent of returning staff receiving a 2% salary increase in the 2016-2017 school year. Plan B on the failure of Proposition 123. The schedule reflects a 0% increase to base level placements. With the intent that returning staff receive a 0% increase in salary for the 2016-2017 school year. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Mrs. Marchelli, seconded by Mrs. Briceno to approve the Certified Teaching Staff for the 2016-2017 school year per A.R.S. § 15.538 and A.R.S. § 15.539. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to approve the stipend salary schedule for the 2016-2017 school year. The amount of the stipends will remain the same as approve in the 2015-2016 school year. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to approve the West Valley Effective Teacher Collaborative Agreement with fiscal agent Grand Canyon University. The agreement allows the collaborative professional development for teacher and district leaders. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- F. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Marchelli to approve the tax credit donations for the 2015 tax year. There was a total of fifty-four contributions. Six of the fifty-four contributions were employees using the established tax credit payroll deduction process. Vote as unanimous. Motion carried.
- G. Motion by Mrs. Marchelli, seconded by Mrs. Briceno to approve the revision to the Resolution for Appointments for the Student Activity Treasurer and Assistant Student Activity Treasurer for fiscal year 2015-2016. The resolution was brought forward to the Governing Board at the May 7, 2015 and the August 13, 2015 meetings. The revision is necessary due to the appointment of Adam Klingelhoets, Interim Hurley Ranch Principal. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

VIII. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS-None

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Requests for future agenda items.
A presentation on the new teacher hiring process and mentoring programs were requested by Mrs. Briceno.
- B. Upcoming Board Presentations

March 10, 2016 – EDISA & GEIT Presentation
Union Elementary School Presentation

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Marchelli seconded by Mrs. Briceno, to adjourn the Public Meeting at 5:56 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Delson Sunn, President of the Board

Date