



Inspiring Hope and Empowering All Students To Courageously Pursue Their Goals and Dreams

**Governing Board
Executive Session, Study Session and Regular Meeting Minutes
October 03, 2019**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER OF MEETING:** Mr. Sunn, Governing Board President, at 4:00 p.m., called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Mr. Delson Sunn, Mrs. Nubia Briceno and Mrs. Susan Doucet were in attendance.

- II. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Doucet to approve the agenda. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet

- III. **MOTION TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03, concerning the discussion of Superintendent Goals and Performance Pay).
Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Briceno to enter into Executive Session at 4:03 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet

- IV. **MOTION TO ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Briceno, to adjourn the Executive Session at 4:28 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet

- V. **MOTION TO CONVENE INTO THE STUDY SESSION ON SPECIAL EDUCATION:**
Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mr. Sunn, to enter into the Study Session on special education at 4:30 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet

The purpose was to provide information about special education in Union Elementary School District. The presentation included strengths, challenges and plans put in place for this year and future years. The presentation was presented by these members: Mrs. Carrie Brandon, Ms. Melanie Block, Mrs. Ana Avalos, and Mrs. Susan O’Rielly.

- VI. **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE STUDY SESSION ON SPECIAL EDUCATION:**
Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Briceno, to adjourn the Study Session on Special Education at 5:56 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet

- VII. **RECESS:**
Mr. Sunn, Governing Board President called for a recess at 5:56 p.m.

- VIII. **MOTION TO CONVENE THE REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING:**
Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Doucet to enter into the Regular Governing Board Meeting at 6:02 pm.

Administration Present:

Kristine Morris, Superintendent

Ana M. Avalos, Director of Human Resources

Susan O'Rielly, Executive Director of Business Services

Carrie Brandon, Director of Student Services

Melanie Block, Director of Academic Services

Michael Welsh, Union Elementary Principal

Dr. Randy Watkins, Hurley Ranch Principal

Jonathan Stewart, Dos Rios Principal

IX. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- X. **PUBLIC COMMENTS – Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.** *(This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Governing Board may not discuss items that are not on the agenda. Therefore, action taken as a result of public comments will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date)* - **None**

- XI. **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS:** The Superintendent and/or Governing Board members may present a brief summary of current events. The Governing Board will not propose, discuss, deliberate, or take legal action at the meeting on any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action. –

As we close out the first quarter of the year, teachers are actively communicating with parents about each child's progress toward meeting grade level state standards. During this week's parent-teacher conferences, teachers are sharing with parents their child's strengths, areas for improvement, and how their child is being supported in their continued academic and social emotional learning progress. Our schools have done a nice job of ensuring early positive contact with families during events such as meet the teacher, curriculum night, and through on-going communications and progress reports. The conference time should be a collaborative conversation about how both the parent and teacher together can help accelerate the child's academic and social emotional growth.

I am happy to share that on Friday of last week, our District submitted a School Safety Grant through the Arizona Department of Education. This new competitive grant opportunity came about through a \$20 million-dollar appropriation that the legislature made last session to increase the number of counselors and/or school resources officers in schools. This one-year grant, renewable for three years, requested 4 additional counselors totaling \$429,329.82. The grant is highly competitive, 274 LEAs submitted school safety applications for 896 school sites. We are hopeful that we will receive some funding to meet even part of our request. The application window closed on September 27, 2019 and awardees will be determined as early as October 28, 2019 and no later than December 2, 2019 depending on the volume of applications. ADE will bring recommended awardees before the State Board of Education for approval at one of those meeting dates or during a special session in November. Thank you to our amazing team of Susan, Melanie, Carrie, Ana, Cara, Jonathan, Michael, Randy and Ruth, who came together and quickly responded to this opportunity. We only had two weeks to complete the application and our team made a great effort!

This year two of our campuses have made a big push toward improving student attendance, Union Elementary & Hurley Ranch. I'm happy to share that during the first quarter, it appears that their focus is making an impact. Hurley Ranch has improved attendance by .65% and Union Elementary by 1.1%! We know that students can only learn what we need them to learn if they are in school every day. Congratulations to these school teams for their efforts and results so far!

Closing out our Top Happenings for this week, I want to recognize and celebrate our maintenance department and head custodians. On Wednesday we celebrated and appreciated the work of our team who keep our buildings clean, in good repair, keep our children safe while crossing busy streets, and they do so with a smile and with care. Thank you to Jorge, Bill, Benny, Daniel, Richard, Jesus, Don, and Mike, our facilities are looking better than ever, and their work helps the community see that their investment in Union Elementary School District is a good one.

XII. **APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mr. Sunn to approve the consent items.

A. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2019

- B. Approval of the Personnel Consent List as presented
 - C. Approval of the Accounts Payable Vouchers
 - D. Approval of the Payroll Vouchers
 - E. Approval of the Student Activity Accounts
 - F. Approval of Gifts and Donation
- Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet

XIII. **REPORTS FROM DISTRICT PERSONNEL**

- A. Mrs. Susan O’Rielly gave a presentation on the 2018-2019 Annual Financial Report (AFR).

XIV. **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Doucet to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 School Facilities Board Capital Plan. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet
- B. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Doucet to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Arizona School Facilities Board Preventative Maintenance Program Reporting Statement. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet
- C. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mr. Sunn to approve the Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Financial Report. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet
- D. Motion by Mrs. Briceno, seconded by Mrs. Doucet to approve the first reading of policy advisories 651-669. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet

XV. **AGENDA ITEMS / PRESENTATION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

- 1. November 14, 2019 – School Accountability (A-F) Presentation.
- 2. November 14, 2019 – Integrated Action Plan (IAP) for Hurley Ranch Presentation.
- 3. November 14, 2019 – Maintenance and Facilities Presentation.
- 4. November 14, 2019 – Executive Session: Superintendent Evaluation & Contract Discussion.

XVI. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY-NO ACTION REQUIRED**

- 1. Curriculum Adoption Cycle and Mathematics Timeline
- 2. Teacher and Principal Evaluations Aggregate Data
- 3. Governing Board Financial Report

XVII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Sunn, seconded by Mrs. Doucet, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Aye: Mr. Sunn, Mrs. Briceno, Mrs. Doucet



Mr. Delson Sunn, President of the Board

Date 11/14/2019