

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE
WINSLOW UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
GOVERNING BOARD**

CALL TO ORDER: The public hearing of the Governing Board of Winslow Unified School District No. 1 was called to order by Mrs. Josephine Montoya, President, at 5:46 p.m. on May 20, 2015, in the District Board/Conference Room, 800 Apache Ave., Second Floor, Winslow, Arizona.

PRESENT: Mrs. Josephine "Dodie" Montoya
Mrs. Roberta Hadnot
Mrs. Marilee Ervien
Mrs. Marian Scheid (appeared telephonically)

ABSENT: Mrs. Beth Carlson

II. The Pledge of Allegiance was not said.

III. Mr. Heister reviewed the District's response to legislation mandating reductions in non-classroom spending. He displayed a PowerPoint presentation.

Three positions have been abolished and an additional two positions will remain unfilled due to attrition. This will result in an approximate savings of \$284,145. The District estimated needing to save \$275,000 for the next fiscal year (2016) to comply with the mandated cuts.

For the next fiscal year, the Auditor General will refigure classroom spending to include classroom dollars, instruction support and student support. Our District spent approximately 65% of its budget on these three categories in 2014. The 2015 figures will not be available until February of 2016. The amount to be saved by abolishing/not filling the five positions mentioned above, and then transferred into classroom spending, represents approximately 1.64% of the current budget, which will put the amount of classroom spending for WUSD in 2016 at approximately 66%. The national average is 65%.

IV. Mr. Heister continued by announcing avenues for the public to respond to the District's actions regarding the budget cuts.

A special email account has been created. The email address is: budget@wusd1.org A special voicemail account at 928-288-8103 has been set up and voicemails will be converted to written text. Persons wishing to comment should do so within 30 days, by June 20, 2015. All emails and voicemail texts will be forwarded to the Governing Board for their consideration. All comments will be recognized by the Board at a meeting convened after June 20, 2015.

Mr. Heister informed the Board that the above information about the procedure to submit comments will be published in The Scoop and posted on the District's website. This PowerPoint presentation will also be available through the District's website and hard copies will be available at the district office upon request.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Hadnot made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 5:54 p.m. and Mrs. Ervien seconded said motion. All members present (in person and by telephone) voted "aye" and the motion carried.

President

Vice-President

Clerk

Member

Member

Richard L. Heister, Superintendent

Cyndie Mattox, Assistant Super.