

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
WINSLOW UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
GOVERNING BOARD**

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Governing Board of Winslow Unified School District No. 1 was called to order by Mrs. Marian Scheid, President, at 6:00 p.m., May 4, 2016, in the District Board Room, 800 Apache Avenue, Second Floor, in Winslow.

PRESENT: Mrs. Marian Scheid
Mrs. Beth Carlson
Mrs. Roberta Hadnot
Mrs. Marilee Ervien
Mrs. Josephine Montoya

ABSENT:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mrs. Carlson made a motion to change the order of business moving Call to the Public ahead of Approval of Minutes and to then approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hadnot and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members.

CALL TO PUBLIC: Mrs. Scheid invited public comments on any listed items on the agenda at this time. She requested that anyone speaking should state their full name for the record and confine their remarks to three minutes or less. She stated that no action will be taken as a result of public comments. She reminded the public that the Board expects citizens who address the Board to present concerns regarding the activities in question rather than make personal attacks upon board members, staff or others present or absent according to Governing Board Policy BEDH. In addition, questions or comments on matters that are currently under legal review will not be accepted per Board Policy BEDH, Public Participation at Board Meetings. Anyone wishing to discuss an issue with the Governing Board that is not on the agenda should complete form WPS 511 located on the entrance table. Copies will be distributed to all board members for their consideration.

Mr. Chris Gilmore, Principal of Winslow High School, requested to address the Board. He introduced two students who have been chosen as Gates Millennium Scholarship recipients: D. J. Chambers and Judicael Tombo. Their parents were introduced and all were congratulated.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES:**

Mrs. Hadnot made a motion to approve the minutes of the public hearing and regular meeting held April 20, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Carlson. Mrs. Scheid asked if there was any discussion. Mrs. Scheid read the following statement.

"I am issuing this statement on behalf of myself and Mrs. Carlson.

In the April 20th board meeting minutes, Mrs. Ervien requested that the board review minutes from the April 6th board meeting for inaccuracies of fact and terminology made in some board comments. On April 20th, Mrs. Ervien stated that she believed that, at the April 6th meeting, two board members had used the word "expelled" incorrectly when they referred to why they believed some Winslow students were now attending Joseph City school district. I would like to address our use of the word "expelled".

In our lexicon, we have routinely used the term "expelled" to refer to any student who has or is facing discipline from district administration that would entail a long term forced absence from a district school. Our comments on April 6th were intended to make reference to the belief that at least some of the students who have transferred to Joseph City have done so as the result of facing extended discipline, possible long term suspension or expulsion, here in Winslow. To be legally accurate, we should have said that we believed that there were some students whose parents have withdrawn their student and enrolled them in Joseph City schools in order to escape pending disciplinary action through either long term suspension or possible expulsion hearings here at the Winslow school district. After some research into the students who have transferred from Winslow to Joseph City, we find that to be the case in approximately a little more than a third of the 18 junior high and high school students who transferred to Joseph City or sought admittance at other institutions.

It is important to understand that the majority of the parents who have made the choice to transfer their student from Winslow to Joseph City are making personal rational decisions and exercising their right, under state law, to choose where their student attends school.

This statement, in its entirety, will be entered into the minutes of this May 4, 2016, regular meeting of the Winslow Governing Board specifically to correct use of the word "expelled" during board comments at the April 6th Winslow Governing Board meeting."

Mrs. Scheid asked if there was any further discussion and there being none, called for a vote. Four members voted "aye" and Mrs. Ervien voted "no" to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

**EMPLOYEES OF
THE MONTH:**

Mr. Heister said the March and April Employees of the Month will be recognized at the May 20 meeting of the Governing Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Second reading of the following Arizona School Boards Association Policy Services Advisories:

Advisory No. 548	BDF – Advisory Committees
Advisory No. 549	JK – Student Discipline
	JK-RB – Student Discipline
Advisory No. 550	JLDB – Restraint and Seclusion
	JLDB-EA, EB, EC, ED – Restraint and Seclusion
Advisory No. 551	KF – Community Use of School Facilities

Mr. Heister said he is recommending that the Board approve these as presented. He pointed out the following:

- Advisory No. 548 adds language to Policy BDF stating that executive session requirements will be followed by board subcommittees.
- Advisory No. 551 adds language creating an extra shield for the District, board members, employees and agents in the event of a lawsuit.

Mrs. Carlson made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Hadnot, to adopt the policies as presented in the Advisories No. 548 – 551. All members present voted “aye” and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request ratification of expense and payroll vouchers per Ratification List No. 782 totaling \$521,105.40. This is a routine procedure to allow the District to submit vouchers to the County School Superintendent between board meetings.

Mrs. Carlson made a motion to approve all vouchers on Ratification List No. 782. Mrs. Montoya seconded the motion. All members voted “aye” and the motion carried.

- B. Mrs. Mattox recommended that the Governing Board approve the hiring of the following personnel:

- Erik Lentowski – Biology Teacher – High School
- Tabatha McClellan – 3rd Grade Teacher – Bonnie Brennan School

Mrs. Mattox recommended that the Governing Board approve the resignation or retirement of the following personnel:

- Cheryle Benton – 3rd Grade Teacher – Bonnie Brennan School – Effective 5-27-16
- Enfamio Billie – Substitute Bus Driver – District – Effective 1-27-16
- Marandian Hayduk – Substitute Bus Driver – District – Effective 2-10-16
- Brittany Holland – 4th Grade Teacher – Bonnie Brennan School – Effective 5-26-16
- Yvonne Jodie – Substitute Teacher – District – Effective 4-26-16
- Renee White-Alcott – Biology Teacher – High School – Effective 5-26-16
- Renell Heister – Counselor – High School – Effective 5-31-16

Mrs. Mattox recommended that the Governing Board approve the nonrenewal of the 2016-17 work agreement for the following personnel:

- Elizabeth Petreman – Warehouse Coordinator – District

Mrs. Ervien made a motion to approve the personnel changes as recommended, which was seconded by Mrs. Carlson. A vote was taken and the motion passed with all members voting "aye".

C. Mr. Heister requested that the Governing Board accept the following donations.

- \$83.00 to Jefferson School from SW Karma for Sonic Night
- \$400.00 to Winslow Junior High School from Capital Financial PLLC

A motion to accept these donations was made by Mrs. Hadnot and seconded by Mrs. Carlson. All members voted "aye" and the motion carried.

D. Mrs. Lomeli requested that the Governing Board approve an exemption to procurement guidelines for bus repairs. She explained that the proper procedures were followed and a bus was repaired in Flagstaff. After it was returned, it began having more problems so it was taken back to the vendor in Flagstaff; and it was then discovered that the new problem was not related to the previously repaired issue. The bus is needed back in service and it would be costly and time consuming to bring it back to Winslow for three more quotes; therefore, it is requested that the Board grant an exemption from the usual procedures. Mr. Heister added that state law allows for such an exemption and the transaction will be reviewed in the next audit.

Mrs. Ervien made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Montoya, to forego the usual procurement procedures in this matter. All members voted "aye" and the motion carried.

E. Mr. Heister requested that the Governing Board approve an intergovernmental agreement with Navajo County Community College District dba Northland Pioneer College for dual enrollment courses. He said this approval is a routine, annual procedure and the agreement has not changed since last year. He added that it has been approved by counsel.

Mrs. Montoya made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Carlson, to approve the intergovernmental agreement as presented. All members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

F. Mr. Heister addressed the Board regarding the Arizona School Boards Association 2017 Political Agenda. He will send out a spreadsheet for voting and the members of the Board are asked to select their top five priorities and two additional priorities. The results will be compiled and discussed at the May 20 meeting. After the Board makes their selections, this information will be used for our delegate to vote at the legislative assembly in September. Mr. Heister is recommending no action at this time.

REPORTS:

A. The Board received copies of the student suspension logs.

B. Governing Board Comments

The members of the Board commented on

- a recent article in the Tribune News about our retirees
- the prom
- college signing day
- the Gates Millennium scholarship recipients

C. Superintendent's Comments

Mr. Heister commented on several things, including

- the prom
- college decision day
- the state budget
- Proposition 123

D. Assistant Superintendent's Comments

Mrs. Mattox commented on

- the Middle Grade Initiative (part of GEAR UP)

Mrs. Scheid asked the principals and administrators to share news about current events at their respective sites; which they did.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Scheid asked if there was a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Hadnot made this motion and Mrs. Carlson seconded it. All members voted "aye" and the motion carried. The time was 6:39 p.m.

President

Vice-President

Clerk

Member

Member

Richard L. Heister, Superintendent

Cyndie Mattox, Assistant Superintendent