

**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, Acting President, at 6:00 p.m., March 18, 2015, in the District Board Room, 800 Apache Avenue, Second Floor, in Winslow.

PRESENT: Mrs. Marian Scheid
Mrs. Beth Carlson
Mrs. Roberta Hadnot (appeared telephonically)
Mrs. Marilee Ervien

ABSENT: Mrs. Josephine Montoya

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mrs. Carlson made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ervien and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Carlson made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 4, 2015. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ervien and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members present.

CALL TO PUBLIC: Mrs. Scheid asked that anyone wishing to make public comments about a specific agenda item wait until that item is being addressed. She then invited public comments on other items. 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. John Summerville, Principal at Washington Elementary School, spoke about the Tate's Auto Group and Frontier Communications teacher appreciation program, "Driving to Success". He said that two teachers from Washington School have received this award, which is student-nominated. He introduced Sharon Vasquez, who presented the award to her sister, Karen Rockwell. Mrs. Vasquez said that she and her sister are both 6th grade teachers at Washington and she enjoys working with her. She added that Mrs. Rockwell has been teaching for 13 years, 9 of them here in Winslow. She is a very devoted, highly effective teacher and is very deserving of this honor. Mrs. Rockwell received a check for \$500 and a plaque.

The members of the Board and audience offered their congratulations.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Request ratification of expense and payroll vouchers per Ratification List No. 758 totaling \$1,068,782.45. 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. 758. Mrs. Hadnot seconded the motion. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

- B. Mrs. Mattox requested that the Governing Board approve the hiring and rehiring of the following personnel:

- Owen Kerr – Substitute Teacher – District
- Lawrence Oso – Substitute Bus Driver – District
- Matthias Wilson – Sp Ed Teacher – District (15-16 SY)
- Personnel on the enclosed rehire lists for the 2015-16 school year

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

- James Anway – Student Advisor – Junior High School – Effective 6-30-15
- Peggy Elrod – Math Teacher – Junior High School – Effective 5-28-15
- Eden Goding – 5th Grade Teacher – Bonnie Brennan School – Effective 5-28-15
- Connie Hendershot – Classroom Aide – Bonnie Brennan School – Effective 5-28-15
- Erin McWilliams – Sp Ed Teacher – Junior High School – Effective 5-28-15
- Nora Smith – Parent Liaison – Junior High School – Effective 5-28-15
- Ronni Davis – Sp Ed Classroom Aide – Washington School – Effective 5-28-15

A motion to approve the hiring, rehiring, and resignation or retirement of personnel was made by Mrs. Ervien and seconded by Mrs. Carlson. A vote was taken and the motion passed with a vote of "aye" from all members present.

- C. Mr. Heister addressed the Board regarding a Reduction in Force. Due to budget cuts mandated by the state legislature, administration is recommending that the Board eliminate the positions of School Psychologist, Custodial Supervisor and Transportation Supervisor. Mr. Heister added that, depending on directives and information received from the state in the near future, more reductions may be necessary.

Mrs. Scheid called for a motion. Mrs. Carlson made a motion to eliminate the three positions as recommended, and Mrs. Hadnot seconded the motion. All members of the Board in attendance voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.

Mrs. Scheid then invited public comments; there were none.

- D. Mr. Heister requested that the Governing Board approve the salary schedules for the 2015-16 school year. He said they are the same as this past year.

Mrs. Ervien made a motion to approve the salary schedules for 2015-16 as presented and Mrs. Carlson seconded it. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

- E. Mr. Heister requested that the Board accept the following donations:

- \$91.00 to Bonnie Brennan School from Arizona Restaurant Systems, Inc. for Sonic Night
- \$71.00 to Jefferson School from Arizona Restaurant Systems, Inc. for Sonic Night

Mrs. Hadnot made a motion to accept the donations and Mrs. Ervien seconded it. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

REPORTS

- A. The district financial reports for February, 2015, were presented. Mrs. Lomeli said that 67% of the year has been completed and actual expenditures are also at 67%.

- B. The members of the Board received copies of the student suspension logs.

- C. Governing Board Comments

Mrs. Ervien said she hopes that intersession is going well and that there has been a good turnout.

Mrs. Carlson congratulated Mrs. Rockwell for her award, and told everyone to enjoy their time off.

Mrs. Scheid congratulated Mrs. Rockwell and added that it is nice to be recognized for what you do.

Mrs. Hadnot also offered her congratulations to Mrs. Rockwell and said that she appreciates the work of all the teachers.

D. Superintendent's Comments

Mr. Heister congratulated Mrs. Rockwell, too.

He told the members of the Board that a report about intersession will be presented in the near future.

He thanked the Board for their work and thoughtful consideration regarding the Reduction in Force, and he knows that they are tasked with making some difficult decisions. It is not easy when you must make decisions such as this that affect valued staff members.

E. Assistant Superintendent's Comments

Mrs. Mattox said she accompanied a visitor from Chinle schools to several of our schools for the purpose of observing intersession procedures and activities. He was impressed and it was a proud moment for her.

She said that the 2015-16 salary schedules will be posted on our website as soon as possible.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Carlson at 6:19 p.m. It was seconded by Mrs. Ervien. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

President

Vice-President

Clerk

Member

Member

Richard L. Heister, Superintendent

Cyndie Mattox, Assistant Superintendent