

**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. Dodie Montoya, Acting President, at 7:00 p.m., February 19, 2014, in the District Board Room, 800 Apache Avenue, Second Floor, in Winslow.

**PRESENT:** Mr. Loren Sadler (attended telephonically)  
Mrs. Josephine "Dodie" Montoya  
Mrs. Marian Scheid  
Mrs. Beth Carlson

**ABSENT:** Mrs. Roberta Hadnot

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Mrs. Carlson made a motion to table New Business Item B and to then approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Scheid. A vote was taken and all members in attendance voted "aye". Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mrs. Scheid made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 5, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sadler and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members in attendance.

**CALL TO PUBLIC:** Mrs. Montoya 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.

There were no comments from the public this evening.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** A. Mr. Watson recognized the Employees of the Month for January. The classified employee is Pearl Cisneros, a special education aide at the junior high. She is a self-starter and has a great relationship with the students. Her teacher was happy to nominate her. Ms. Cisneros was given a plaque and the congratulations of the group. The certified employee is Andrea Padilla, CTE teacher at the junior high. Ms. Padilla has done an outstanding job with her students, particularly on their educational career action plans (ECAPs). Ms. Padilla was unable to be present this evening so Mrs. McCauley will recognize her at a staff meeting in the near future.

B. This item was previously tabled.

C. Request ratification of expense and payroll vouchers per Ratification List No. 734 totaling \$1,164,509.15. 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. 734. Mrs. Scheid seconded the motion. All members in attendance voted "aye" and the motion carried.

D. Mr. Heister recommended that the Governing Board approve the hiring of the following personnel:

- Wilbur Barton – Assistant Track Coach – High School
- Jordan Payne – Assistant JV Baseball Coach – High School
- Carlos Zamora – Assistant JV Softball Coach – High School

Mr. Heister recommended that the Governing Board approve the resignation of the following personnel:

- Nina Ortiz – S.A.F.E. Room Aide – Junior High School – Effective 2-7-14
- Anita Henling – Secretary to the Business Manager – District – Effective 2-28-14
- LaRita Nelson – Math Teacher – Junior High School – Effective 5-29-14
- Andrea Padilla – CTE Teacher – Junior High School – Effective 5-29-14
- Keri Arthur – Sp Ed Teacher – Junior High School – Effective 5-29-14

Mr. Heister recommended that the Governing Board approve the termination of the following personnel:

- Katherine Taylor – Bus Driver – District

Mrs. Carlson made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Scheid, to approve the hiring, resignation and termination of personnel as recommended. All members in attendance voted "aye" and the motion carried.

E. Mr. Watson requested that the Governing Board accept the following donations:

- \$55.00 to Jefferson School from Arizona Restaurant Systems, Inc. for Sonic Night
- \$53.00 to Washington School from Arizona Restaurant Systems, Inc. for Sonic Night

Mrs. Scheid made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Carlson, to accept the donations. All members in attendance voted in the affirmative and the motion carried. Mrs. Montoya expressed thanks for the donations.

F. At this time, Mrs. Lomeli asked the Governing Board to sign a Letter of Declaration as part of the process to renew the District's line of credit with Wells Fargo Bank. This line of credit is necessary in the event of a cash shortfall; however, it was not drawn on last year.

A motion to sign the Letter of Declaration was made by Mrs. Carlson and seconded by Mrs. Scheid. All members in attendance voted "aye" and the motion carried.

## **REPORTS**

A. Copies of the District financial reports for January, 2014, were provided to the Board. Mrs. Lomeli said everything is on schedule as 58% of the year was completed at the end of January and actual expenditures were at 51%.

B. Copies of the student suspension lists were provided to the Board.

C. Mrs. Cyndie Mattox, Principal, and Mrs. Jodie Garner, Data Coach, gave a presentation on programs and achievement at Jefferson Elementary School. They distributed a handout and shared pictures of the staff, the staff listing and carving at the entrance to the school, students conducting a science experiment and receiving vocabulary instruction. Mrs. Mattox discussed the use of manipulatives and shared some examples.

They also presented growth data on early literacy skills and Fast ForWord, which is used as a tier 3 intervention. Other topics presented were Reading Night; and OverDrive, which is an online library website. The librarians have done great work in regard to this new way to provide 24 hour access to library books, with no overdue books and no fines.

Mrs. Mattox discussed transportation issues, including students' safety around the school property and the huge amount of changes to transportation plans for students handled each month by the staff; sometimes more than 400 changes in a month.

The Board had some questions and comments, particularly about the safety issues. They thanked Mrs. Mattox and Mrs. Garner for their presentation.

D. Governing Board Comments

Mrs. Scheid complimented Mrs. Mattox and Mrs. Garner for a nicely done presentation. She enjoyed it.

Mrs. Carlson said visual aids are wonderful for kids. The staff is utilizing some great ideas. She thanked the teachers for their work because recently someone told her how wonderful Winslow Unified School District is.

Mrs. Scheid shared that she was recently talking to a woman new to Winslow who has a child in kindergarten at Bonnie Brennan School. The woman is very impressed with the school and with her child's teacher, Mrs. Corum. These things are nice to hear.

Mrs. Montoya complimented the S Club at the high school. They are a wonderful, hardworking group of students and she'd like them to be recognized in a way that Mr. Watson deems appropriate.

E. Superintendent's Comments

Mr. Watson thanked Mrs. Mattox and Mrs. Garner for their presentation.

F. Assistant Superintendent's Comments

Mr. Heister said that the District transports a little more than half of all the students. This represents thousands and thousands of transactions, and we get it right way, way more than we get it wrong. He thinks the District does pretty well handling this huge amount of details.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Scheid. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Carlson. All members in attendance voted "aye" and the motion carried at 7:42 p.m.

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Douglas P. Watson, Superintendent

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Richard L. Heister, Assistant Superin.