

**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. Josephine Montoya, President, at 6:00 p.m., May 20, 2015, in the District Board Room, 800 Apache Avenue, Second Floor, in Winslow.

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

ABSENT: Mrs. Beth Carlson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Ervien made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held May 6, 2015. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hadnot and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members present.

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. Heister recognized the Certified Employees of the Month for March and April. Each was presented with a plaque and the congratulations and thanks of the Board and others in attendance.

Mr. Brandon Guzman, Weights Teacher at the high school, makes himself and the facilities available at 6:00 a.m. each day for those who want extra workout time. He coaches far into the evening and will be the head football coach next year. He is a dedicated, valued employee and was the March honoree.

Mrs. Heather Fallaha, 2nd Grade Teacher at Jefferson School, is an awesome teacher leader, organizer and collaborator. She piloted a new classroom management email program and is very valuable in making connections with parents, as well as students. She is the April honoree.

B. Request ratification of expense and payroll vouchers per Ratification List No. 762 totaling \$872,637.44. This is a routine procedure to allow the District to submit vouchers to the County School Superintendent between board meetings.

Mrs. Hadnot made a motion to approve all vouchers on Ratification List No. 762. Mrs. Ervien seconded the motion. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

C. Mr. Heister requested that the Governing Board approve the hiring of the following personnel:

- Kayla Brady – Emergency Substitute Teacher – District
- Anne Calhoun – 4th Grade Teacher – Washington School
- Brittany Holland – 4th Grade Teacher – Bonnie Brennan School
- Arianna Huerta – Parent Liaison – Washington School
- Corrina Smith – Part-time Classroom Aide – Jefferson School
- Renell Heister – Co Head Varsity Volleyball Coach – High School
- Liz McLaws – Co Head Varsity Volleyball Coach – High School

Mr. Heister requested that the Governing Board approve the transfer of the following personnel:

- Steve Brodt – from 4th Grade Teacher to 6th Grade Teacher at Bonnie Brennan
- Loretta Chischilly – from Secretary at Washington to Parent Liaison at Junior High
- Candace Hartman – from 3rd Grade Teacher at Washington to 3rd Grade Teacher at Bonnie Brennan
- Kim Henling – from 5th Grade Teacher to 4th Grade Teacher at Bonnie Brennan
- Rose Lammey – from 3rd Grade Teacher to 6th Grade Teacher at Washington
- Damon McHenry – from 4th Grade Teacher to 3rd Grade Teacher at Bonnie Brennan
- Terri Milligan – from 4th Grade Teacher to 6th Grade Teacher at Washington
- Anna Morales – from 6th Grade Teacher at Washington to 6th Grade Teacher at Bonnie Brennan

- Leah Nez – from 4th Grade Teacher to 5th Grade Teacher at Washington
- Leslie Powers from 4th Grade Teacher to 5th Grade Teacher at Washington
- Kassandra Setalla – from Classroom Aide at Bonnie Brennan to 3rd Grade Teacher at Bonnie Brennan
- Pam VanArsdale – from 5th Grade Teacher at Bonnie Brennan to Math Teacher at Junior High
- Deanna Wilcox – from Sp Ed Aide ½ BB and ½ JH to all day at Bonnie Brennan
- Tracy Turley – from HN Sp Ed Aide at High School to Washington School
- Zach Young – from Sp Ed Aide in CBI classroom to HN Sp Ed Aide at High School
- Bonnie Batala – from Classroom Aide at Bonnie Brennan to HN Sp Ed Aide at High School
- Debra Allen – from Sp Ed Classroom Aide to HN Sp Ed Aide at Junior High

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

- Danielle Alvarado – Health Technician – Jefferson School – Effective 5-28-15
- Sierra Black – Health Technician – Bonnie Brennan School – Effective 5-28-15
- Edward Kennedy – Computer Ed Teacher – Junior High School – Effective 5-28-15
- Lorenda Ortiz – HN Sp Ed Aide – High School – Effective 5-28-15
- Elyda Torres-Tafoya – 3rd Grade Teacher – Bonnie Brennan School – Effective 5-28-15
- Shawn Layden – Academic Coach – Washington School – Effective 5-28-15

Mrs. Scheid made a motion to approve the hiring, transfer and resignation of personnel as read by Mr. Heister. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hadnot. Mrs. Montoya called for a vote; three members voted “aye” and Mrs. Ervien voted “nay”. Mrs. Ervien spoke to give a brief explanation of her reasons for voting no. She said that she had nothing personal against Mrs. Heister or her qualifications as a volleyball coach, but as Mr. Gilmore previously said, the high school counselors are very busy and have no prep time and do not even have time for lunch. If Mrs. Heister, a full time employee, coached volleyball, she would miss two full days of work and need to leave early on five additional game days. Mrs. Ervien said that she cannot, in good conscience, vote for that.

Karen Rockwell asked if she could speak and Mrs. Montoya allowed her to do so. She said while she sees Mrs. Ervien’s point, she is totally in support of Mrs. Heister coaching volleyball. She made further comments and suggestions.

Mrs. Montoya thanked her for her input.

D. Mr. Heister requested that the Board accept the following donations.

- \$94.00 to Washington School from Arizona Restaurant Systems, Inc. for Sonic Night
- \$384.70 to Jefferson School from Box Tops for Education
- \$2.00 to Winslow Junior High School from Box Tops for Education

A motion to approve the donations was made by Mrs. Hadnot and seconded by Mrs. Scheid. All members present voted “aye” and the motion carried. Mrs. Montoya expressed thanks for the donations.

- E. Mr. Heister requested that the Governing approve the 2015-16 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Northern Arizona Vocational Institute of Technology (NAVIT). He said the agreement is the same as in recent past years and the Navapache Superintendent's Association arranged for one attorney to review the agreement and approve it for all 11 member districts, thereby saving money on legal fees.

Mrs. Ervien made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Hadnot, to approve the 2015-16 NAVIT IGA as presented. A vote was taken and all members present voted "aye". Motion carried.

REPORTS

- A. The district financial reports for April, 2015, were presented.

- B. The Board was provided with copies of the student suspension logs.

- C. Governing Board Comments

Mrs. Ervien said she is concerned about losing students to Joseph City School District. She said that 27 of our former students now attend school there and she has heard comments and concerns from parents regarding this matter. She spoke about honors and awards received by students who used to attend school here.

Mrs. Hadnot offered congratulations to the Class of 2015, and to Mrs. Fallaha and Mr. Guzman. She thanked the teachers for all their hard work and said they are appreciated. She apologized for missing some recent meetings and activities as she has been out of town.

Mrs. Scheid thanked the Board for allowing her to participate by telephone. She had her knee replaced Friday and is doing fairly well in her recovery.

Mrs. Montoya commended the staff at Jefferson School for their efforts to raise funds for a fellow employee and her family. She said that baccalaureate was very nice and impressive. Mrs. Montoya complimented all the music students for their recent concerts, and said the high school play was wonderful. She said that the music programs are often overlooked and encouraged administrators to show their appreciation for their wonderful work. She thanked the teachers, maintenance and custodial personnel for all their hard work.

D. Superintendent's Comments

Mr. Heister reminded the members of the Board that graduation is Wednesday, May 27. He advised them to meet at 7:30 p.m. that evening in the gym if they planned to participate in the ceremony.

He congratulated the high school for their bronze rating by U.S. News and World Report in their recent ranking of public high schools. A bronze rating means that WHS is in the top 1/3 of public high schools in the country. Congratulations to them, and to the whole district for their part in the students' growth and successes.

E. Assistant Superintendent's Comments

Mrs. Mattox was not present this evening. Her son is a senior this year and she was attending the WHS Sports Assembly.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Hadnot at 6:23 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