

**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., October 19, 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 approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hadnot and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Ervien made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 5, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Montoya. All members voted "aye" and the motion carried.

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.

There were no comments from the public this evening.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A. Mr. John Summerville, Principal of Washington Elementary School, addressed the Board. He conducted a PowerPoint presentation. He said the Walk-a-Thon has been a great fundraiser for the last nine years, supporting things like the electronic marquee at the school and the t-shirts which he gave the members of the Board. He said that the results of the parent survey rate Washington School as an "A" school and he is proud of that.

He talked about Second Chance Ranch, which is an alternative to out-of-school suspension. Ms. Theresa Pacheco is the coordinator of this.

Mrs. Mary Ann Bratt, reading specialist and DIBELS coordinator, spoke to the Board. She shared examples of reports, discussed how the data is used, and her role in assisting the students. Mrs. Bratt also talked about being able to specifically target interventions.

Ms. Corri Havlicek is the Fast ForWord coordinator and she shared with the Board information about foundational skills and cognitive skills. She also shared report examples and discussed growth. She talked about the live-action reading program for 6th graders: Reading Assistant.

Mr. Summerville displayed a graph comparing the programs, grade levels and categories of students.

Mr. Summerville then introduced Miss Taylor Bradley, who teaches science and social studies. Ms. Bradley had three students with her, Stephen Crisp, Kadence Armstrong and Jaylynn Sharp. The students talked about their study of the scientific method when making borax crystals. They displayed their results. Mr. Summerville said that Miss Bradley has really brought a spark of enthusiasm to the school and that the students love her class.

The Board thanked Mr. Summerville, the teachers, staff and students for their report.

B Request ratification of expense and payroll vouchers per Ratification List No. 791 totaling \$1,076,036.95. 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. 791. Mrs. Ervien seconded the motion. All members voted "aye" and the motion carried.

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

- Stephanie Westover – Emergency Substitute – District

Mrs. Mattox recommended that the Governing Board approve the transfer of the following personnel:

- Rudy Aragon – from Warehouse Worker to Grounds – District
- Maurice Dunham – from Transportation/Custodial to Warehouse Worker – District
- Analisa Scofield – from Part-time Classroom Aide to Full-time Classroom Aide – Jefferson School
- Bennie Yazzie – from Part-time Grounds Worker to Full-time Grounds/Custodial – District

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

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

- \$18.37 to Bonnie Brennan School from Target
- \$13.90 to Bonnie Brennan School from Box Tops for Education
- \$59.44 to Jefferson School from SW Karma for Sonic Night

A motion to accept these donations was made by Mrs. Carlson and seconded by Mrs. Montoya. A vote was taken and all members voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

E. Mr. Heister recommended that the Governing Board approve the following out-of-state travel.

- Four employees and 14 students to travel to Valencia, California May 18 – 20, 2017, for the Honor Society senior trip
- One employee to travel to Monument Valley, Utah, November 11 – 13, 2016, for a counseling conference

Mr. Heister said the first trip is routine and the second trip requires travel just a couple of miles over the state line.

Mrs. Ervien made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Hadnot, to approve the trips as recommended. The motion carried with a vote of “aye” from all members.

- F. Mr. Heister asked the Board to designate Loren Sadler Architecture as a sole source provider for architectural services. He said he is recommending this because Mr. Sadler's firm could best serve the District as Mr. Sadler is a former board member and a parent of students who are enrolled here. Mrs. Ervien said she likes the idea of using local vendors and she appreciates the knowledge and input of Mr. Sadler, but she is asking how far this will go before it is discussed by the Board. A lot of money has already been paid and she asked if there will be a cap. Mr. Heister assured her that he will keep the Board informed on this matter.

Mrs. Hadnot made a motion and Mrs. Montoya seconded to designate Loren Sadler Architecture as a sole source provider for architectural services for the District. Mrs. Scheid called for a vote and all members present voted "aye". The motion carried.

- G. Mr. Heister addressed the Board regarding the Comprehensive Grading System. He said this item should have been listed under Old Business since it has been presented to the Board before, but that error is not consequential to the request for approval. He said there have been no changes since it was reviewed by the Board last spring. He talked about what it will be used for and said he is requesting the Board's approval to have the schools start using this tool for self-assessment.

Mrs. Ervien said some of the information is vague and she understood that there would be some changes before the final version was to be brought before the Board. She specifically asked about the high school's 89% college matriculation rate. Mr. Heister said he was not sure how that figure was arrived at. Mr. Heister acknowledged Mrs. Ervien's statement that the plan doesn't adequately address matriculation. He then read the paragraph pertaining to this. Mrs. Ervien said she would like to see data regarding those in their second year of college.

After further discussion, Mrs. Scheid asked if there was a motion to approve the Comprehensive Grading System as presented for use. This motion was made by Mrs. Montoya and seconded by Mrs. Hadnot. Four members of the Board voted in the affirmative, and Mrs. Ervien voted no. Motion carried.

- H. Mr. Heister asked the Governing Board to change the elementary early release scheduled for Wednesday, November 2, 2016, to Monday, October 31, 2016. He said the PLC meetings could be held after the students are released from their parties. He thinks this would be a good change and would save time, for parents and teachers as well. He does understand that there are some scheduling issues that will need to be worked out, particularly with the kindergarten classes. Mr. McReynolds was asked for his input, and he said his staff would be able to adapt and make this work.

Mrs. Ervien made a motion to change the elementary early release day from November 1 to October 31. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Montoya and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members.

REPORTS:

A. The Board was presented with district financial reports for September, 2016. Mrs. Lomeli reported that 25% of the year had been completed at the end of September and actual expenditures were at 22%. Everything is moving according to schedule.

B Superintendent's Reports

Mr. Heister asked Mr. Sal Hernandez, WHS Assistant Principal, to report on a collaboration with the country of Liberia.

Mr. Hernandez said that he and Mrs. Mattox recently met with the Vice President of Liberia to discuss a collaboration with the goal of helping them put their educational system back on track. Other districts participating are Agua Fria, Tempe Union and a charter school in Tucson.

Mrs. Mattox said that our District was suggested by Mr. Mel Hannah, and she said this was a real compliment to us.

Mr. Hernandez said the educational needs in Liberia are great because of the civil war there and the fact that the recent government has not valued education as much as previous leaders. The president-elect is trying to do what he can to strengthen the educational system. They are also going to collaborate with community colleges to assist in this.

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed to exchange information. Mrs. Ervien said this is very interesting and we hope for mutual benefits for all parties.

The Board thanked Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Mattox for their work and the information.

At this time, Mr. Heister distributed blank Superintendent Evaluation forms to the Board members and asked them to bring their completed evaluations to the November 16, 2016, meeting, at which time his evaluation will be conducted.

**BOARD
COMMENTS:**

The members of the Board commented on:

- Loren Sadler Architecture, and Mr. Sadler's service as a member of the Board
- Inviting Mr. Mel Hannah to a meeting of the Board
- Comprehensive Grading System
- Washington School's report
- Walk-a-Thon
- DIBELS

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Scheid asked if there was a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Hadnot made this motion and Mrs. Ervien seconded it. All members voted "aye" and the motion carried. The time was 7:07 p.m.

President

Vice-President

Clerk

Member

Member

Richard L. Heister, Superintendent

Cyndie Mattox, Assistant Superintendent