

**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 Mr. Loren Sadler, President, at 6:00 p.m., December 3, 2014, in the District Board Room, 800 Apache Avenue, Second Floor, in Winslow.

PRESENT: Mr. Loren Sadler
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. Montoya made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Scheid and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Montoya made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and executive session held November 19, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Scheid and carried with a vote of "aye" from all members present.

CALL TO PUBLIC: Mr. Sadler invited public comments on any listed items on the agenda at this time. He requested that anyone speaking should state their full name for the record and confine their remarks to three minutes or less. He stated that no action will be taken as a result of public comments. He 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.

Karen Rockwell, 6th grade teacher at Washington School, addressed the Board and the audience about the Dibels testing taking place and about the wonderful job Mrs. Mary Ann Bratt, Reading Specialist, is doing. Good things happen when everyone works together.

Mrs. Rockwell also announced that Mrs. Anna Morales has received an award of \$500 and a plaque from Tate's Auto Group and Frontier Communications for Outstanding Teaching Practices – Northern Region. Mrs. Morales was nominated by students and selected for the October award.

Mr. Summerville congratulated Mrs. Morales and thanked Mr. Heister for sending the email regarding this opportunity.

The Board congratulated Mrs. Morales as well.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A. Mr. Heister announced the Employees of the Month for October. The Classified Employee of the Month is Aimee Tafoya. She is a special education aide at the high school. Mrs. Tafoya is a great employee who really cares about her students and she is very effective in building positive relationships with them. She can always be counted on to help with whatever is needed.

The Certified Employee of the Month is Kim Henling, who is a 5th grade teacher at Bonnie Brennan School. This is Mrs. Henling's first year back after taking a few years off from teaching for our District. She is a highly competent member of the 5th grade team who also has a great rapport with the students. Mr. Troy McReynolds, Principal, said that Mrs. Henling is a great teacher, who is appreciated very much.

These two employees were given plaques and the thanks and congratulations and appreciation of the Board, administration and audience.

B. Mr. Matt Weber, Superintendent of Northern Arizona Vocational Institute of Technology (NAVIT), was introduced and he distributed a handout to accompany his report this evening. He said he appreciates the opportunity to be here and address the Board, and he also thanked Mr. Chris Gilmore, WHS Principal; Mrs. Penny Brimhall, CTE Director; and the high school teachers for their work and assistance. Mr. Weber also paid tribute to Mr. Greg Carlson, who was the NAVIT board member representing Winslow for the last eight years. Mr. Royce Greer will be replacing him now.

Mr. Weber said that NAVIT serves 11 school districts and the two primary purposes of NAVIT are to provide an additional funding stream to individual CTE programs and to provide additional CTE program offerings at community college hubs. He reviewed the list of central programs, as well as the WHS satellite programs and teachers. The amount of money reimbursed to the District for FY 2015 was \$269,904, which was based on student enrollment. This is up from the previous three years' amounts. Mr. Weber said that a total of 314 Winslow students were served by NAVIT in FY 2014.

Mr. Weber discussed the new central program of Mechatronics, which is comprised of automation/robotics, manufacturing and instrumentation. He invited the members of the Board to join the Navapache Superintendents' Association at the Holbrook Northland Pioneer College Skills Center Thursday, January 15, 2015, at 1:15 p.m., for a tour of the mechatronics program and facility. He said that NPC has spent over \$1.5 million on the mechatronics program.

Mr. Weber said that partnerships, such as the one between NAVIT, member districts, and NPC, provide so many more opportunities for students. He then reviewed some Arizona CTE state data. The members of the Board asked a few questions, which Mr. Weber answered. They thanked Mr. Weber for his report.

- C. Request ratification of expense and payroll vouchers per Ratification List No. 752 totaling \$590,474.04. 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. 752. Mrs. Scheid seconded the motion. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

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

- \$78.00 to Jefferson school from Arizona Restaurant Systems, Inc. for Sonic Night
- \$93.00 to Bonnie Brennan School from Arizona Restaurant Systems, Inc. for Sonic Night
- \$4,591.89 to Washington School from members of the community for their Walk-A-Thon

A motion to accept the donations was made by Mrs. Montoya and seconded by Mrs. Scheid. All members present voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.

- E. Mr. Heister requested that the Board approve the following out-of-state travel:

- Two employees and four students to travel to Walnut, California, December 5 – 7, 2014, for a cross country meet

Mr. Heister said that the funding for this trip came from fundraising efforts of the team and that this is a very nice honor for the participants.

Mrs. Carlson made a motion to approve the trip as requested and Mrs. Montoya seconded it. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

REPORTS

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

B. Governing Board Comments

Mr. Sadler recognized Mr. Jimmy Halbison, General Manager of Tate's Auto Center in Winslow. Mr. Halbison discussed the teacher recognition program "Driving Students to Success" and congratulated Mrs. Morales for being chosen from the many wonderful nominees. Mr. Halbison read several comments from the students' nominations and said that it certainly sounds like Mrs. Morales is a great teacher. He said Tate's is excited and honored to have this recognition program. He thanked the teachers and staff for what they do and said to let his company know if they can help our schools and district. Mr. Sadler thanked Mr. Halbison for coming to the meeting and for the recognition program.

Mrs. Montoya said she would like the cross country athletes to attend a board meeting after they return from the meet in California. Mr. Gilmore said that the invitation is a prestigious one and he thanked the Board and administration for their support.

C. Superintendent's Comments

Mr. Heister said he recently spoke with Mr. Gilbert Martinez from The Scoop and discussed affordable advertising for the District. This will help get the word out about all the great things happening at our schools. It is possible that teachers and students can become involved in the plans to publicize the events and happenings taking place.

The football field replacement is on schedule. Mr. Heister said the base was sound and in good shape, and the pieces of turf are being sewn together now. He is excited about the progress. The work should be completed on schedule, within a few more weeks.

Mr. Heister repeated Mr. Weber's invitation to tour the mechatronics program in Holbrook next month. He said that the Navapache Superintendents' Association meetings are productive and informative.

Mr. Heister congratulated Mrs. Morales for her award.

He also recognized Mr. Daniel Tafoya, Agricultural Science Teacher at the high school. Mr. Tafoya and his classes are important reasons contributing to the fact that the enrollment of students in the CTE classes has increased.

D. Assistant Superintendent's Comments

Mrs. Mattox was not present this evening.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Scheid at 6:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Montoya. All members present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

President

Vice-President

Clerk

Member

Member

Richard L. Heister, Superintendent

Cyndie Mattox, Assistant Superintendent