



## NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the Board Meeting of December 11, 2017 held at 4:00 p.m.

### I. Attendance:

#### The following Board Members were present:

Greg Lucero, President, Barbara Mendoza, Clerk; Members Manuel Ruiz and Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.

Board Member Santiny Orozco made his appearance further into the meeting.

#### a. Call to Order

Mr. Lucero called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

#### b. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Ruiz led all in the Pledge.

#### c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval of the agenda, including the Consent Agenda, as presented to the Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruiz and seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for approval of the agenda as presented to the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

### II. Approval of Governing Board Minutes

#### a. Approval of the Governing Board Study Session and Regular Board Minutes of November 27, 2017

Superintendent Parra recommended approval of the minutes as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruiz and seconded by Mendoza for approval of the Governing Board Minutes as presented to the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

### III. Governing Board/Superintendent Information

#### a. Superintendent Report, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

##### 1. Outstanding Teacher Award:

Congratulations to Ms. Shelly Rothstein, Mary L. Welty Elementary Teacher

Superintendent Parra gave a brief overview of Ms. Rothstein's background, her stubbornness and persistency for her work.

He read a letter of appreciation by Mrs. Bonillas to Ms. Rothstein. Superintendent Parra introduced Ms. Rothstein and presented her with a certificate of appreciation by NUSD.

Ms. Rothstein spoke words of appreciation and mentioned that she felt very lucky to be part of the Mary L. Welty family. She wished everyone happy Holidays and thanked everyone for their support.

2. Mary L. Welty Parent Perspective – Mr. Cesar Monge and Ms. Karla Siqueiros Saavedra

Ms. Bonillas, school principal, introduced Mr. Monge.

Mr. Cesar Monge, school parent, gave his perspective as a father in having chosen Mary Welty for his daughter. He congratulated Mrs. Bonillas for running a great well-grounded school.

Ms. Bonillas also introduced Ms. Siqueiros Saavedra. Mrs. Siqueiros, school parent, gave her perspective as a mother of the school (Spanish) and mentioned she was very happy with the school principal and the staff, that they were all very helpful and she was happy to have chosen this great school for her daughter to attend.

3. Follow Up/Update Report Nogales High School Hosted Full Scale Active Shooter Rescue- Task Force Exercise – Mr. Cesar Miranda; Border Patrol Agent Justin Zdunczyk and SRO Ray De La Ossa

Superintendent Parra introduced Mr. Cesar Miranda along with law enforcement who gave a presentation of the Shooter Rescue event held at NHS during fall break.

Agent Justin Zdunczyk, Border Patrol Agent, gave a Power Point presentation and mentioned the highlights of the event. He thanked all those who helped to make this a successful event. Mr. Ruiz made comments about the recent incident in New Mexico and the importance of preparing in case something happens.

Dr. Varona mentioned he had been a spectator at the event and that he was glad to have seen NHS administrators and students make this successful.

Mrs. Mendoza mentioned that it was great to see how important it was for the community to understand the care law enforcement has for them.

Mr. Lucero mentioned the incident of Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas and how one never thinks it will happen in their area and it's been happening in many places. He thanked the presenters for doing a great job and a fine report.

4. Update Report on Coding Integrated Across the Curriculum – Ms. Canto  
Superintendent Parra introduced Ms. Canto to give a report.

Asst. Superintendent Canto gave a Power Point presentation on Coding. A copy of the presentation was provided to the Board in their packets.

Dr. Varona mentioned it was both good and important to have Coding implemented in the K-12 at NUSD and was glad to see it was working for this District and further, that students were being well prepared for the future.

**b. ASBA Update by Governing Board Clerk Barbara Mendoza**

**1. Update ASBA Legislative Report**

Mrs. Mendoza reported that the State Board had a meeting on December 4, and highlighted the difficulty they had on coming to a conclusion on the traditional grade configurations. She added that once the legislature starts meeting in January 2018, she'll have more to report.

**c. Governing Board Report, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements**

Dr. Varona thanked the NHS Z Club for doing a great job making desserts and taking them to the Senior Center to share with the seniors. Dr. Varona asked that Mr. Miranda thank the sponsor on behalf of Santa Cruz Senior Center.

He reported he had attended the State's chorus presentation and it had been a great event. He added that their format had been changed and they had mentioned Nogales had been their model for their changes.

He congratulated NUSD schools for their participation in the Christmas Parade and that they all had great floats. He mentioned a funny anecdote with a couple of students who went near the float judges.

He thanked ASBA Board County Representative Mrs. Barbara Mendoza for having nominated him to serve in the ASBA Nominating Committee. He mentioned he interviewed several members to be on the ASBA Board and that it had been a great event to attend and a very rewarding experience.

He reported that the Lion's Club had completed the holiday clothing project and it had been a great event.

He concluded by congratulating choir directors Mr. Moehlman, Mr. and Mrs. Putnam, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Milner and Mr. Castleton for doing a great job with the students and having them well presented at the State chorus.

Mr. Orozco congratulated Ms. Shelly Rothstein for her service to NUSD and for achieving the outstanding teacher award.

He reported he had attended the Challenger Elementary Nutcracker Play at NHS and it had been a great event. He congratulated Mr. Milner for his leadership. He concluded by stating he had enjoyed the play very much and all the participants had done a great job.

Mrs. Mendoza thanked all principals and teachers and parents who worked hard on the floats for the parade. She mentioned that all the students looked very excited and they had done a great job.

Mr. Ruiz mentioned that this was the last Governing Board Meeting of the year, and thanked the board, superintendent, teachers and staff for their hard work and wished all happy holidays. He wished all the best in the New Year and looked forward to the second half of school year to continue doing a great job.

He had the opportunity to attend the County Association of Counties meeting and mentioned that it had been an incredible experience finding out what other state schools are doing.



Mr. Lucero reported he had lunch with Dr. Varona and they discussed his attendance to the Western Congregational Conference in Las Vegas and the discussion was on school funding. He further reported he had been appointed to the JTED Committee in Pima County.

He further reported he had attended the Superintendents' Consortium and he had been able to bring much information on JTED/Voc-Ed and the importance of future technology in education.

He also mentioned that this was his last month as president of the Governing Board and January would be an opportunity for Mrs. Mendoza to perform the presidential duties.

He thanked the staff and administrators for helping him during his presidency tenure and wished all a happy holidays.

#### IV. Call to the Public

Mr. David Moehlman thanked the NUSD Board, Administration and individuals for allowing the 2017 NUSD Elementary Choir trip to Phoenix. It was a wonderful trip and he thanked all for their help.

Ms. Ellen Spink, a Green Valley, Arizona community member, spoke about NUSD teachers' salaries funding.

#### V. Consent Agenda Items

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruiz and seconded by Mr. Orozco for approval as presented to the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Approval of Out of State Travel for NHS Band Department (to Anaheim California, March 11-14, 2018)
- c. Approval of Donation by Edward A. Villanueva (\$77,000.00 to Nogales High School Scholarship Fund)
- d. Approval of Donation by Shipley Family Foundation –Mary Ley (\$5,000.00 to Bracker Elementary School to be used for Technology Purchases, Field Trips, and Educational Programs)
- e. Award of Request for Quotes RFQ1718-01 for the FY18-19 Cell Phone Services
- f. Approval of the Energy Consulting Services Agreement and Addendum with Pierce Energy Planning
- g. Approval of Personnel Agenda

#### VI. Action Items- None

#### VII. Information and Discussion

- a. Update/Report on Use-Allocation and Distribution of Funds for Results-Based Funding Awards (SB1530)

Superintendent Parra gave a brief background and introduced Asst. Superintendent Canto and Business Director, Adelmo Sandoval to give a presentation.

Mrs. Canto and Mr. Sandoval gave a Power Point presentation.

Mr. Ruiz wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday season.

Mr. Ruiz thanked Superintendent Parra for the report. He made a comment regarding the situation and a teacher having approached him on this issue.

He mentioned that for the many years that he has served on the Board, they have had many situations on salaries and have always tried to do what is best for the teachers but that it's hard when dealing with the State Legislators.

He added that he knows the administration is doing their best for the teachers' well-being.

Dr. Varona mentioned that this funding would bring incentives to some but that unfortunately, sometimes it brings more problems than incentives.

He spoke about several situations that have always involved money.

He added that the administration is always working to be fair and give incentives to all.

Further, he mentioned that these funds received were something good and was hopeful that this would stay positive.

Mrs. Mendoza made comments about employees' based salary.

She added that the staff had done a great job in evaluating and interpreting as was required by the State.

She added that it would be a good option as decisions were made with the 49% to be used for professional development that reporting as appropriate be made to continue the transparency and keep the community informed.

She thanked Mrs. Canto and Mr. Sandoval for their presentation.

Mr. Orozco stated that the Board has worked hard to find ways to get the schools what they need to make the district a successful one. He added that everyone has worked to overcome the challenges.

He mentioned that the district needs to keep the attitude of "yes we can" to be able to make it all work.

He concluded by stating that he concurred with his colleagues' comments.

Mr. Lucero mentioned that the Board was strong supporters of educators and that they will do everything possible to help all educators succeed.

He also made the statement that, when a district has a Governor that is not strong on education, the schools struggle but that they can go lobby to the State Legislature and see for themselves how effective the public funding is.

He further mentioned that he had pushed hard for the JTED but that the facilities were old and there would be a need to find grants for funds for the repairs.

He stated that Santa Cruz County is one of the highest tax counties of the state and he encouraged all to address the State Legislators and see where it takes them.

Mr. Parra made comments that for the last three years NUSD, working together with IBN, has provided increases to salaries across the Board and it's been successful to have 80% of 123 monies going to salaries. Furthermore, the District has been able to give raises 8-9% to all district employees. Also, salary increases and incentives have been awarded for the past three years as salaries have been a priory for NUSD.

#### **VIII. Request for Future Agenda Items**

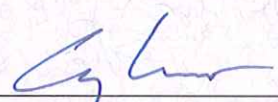
None

IX. Adjournment of the Governing Board Meeting

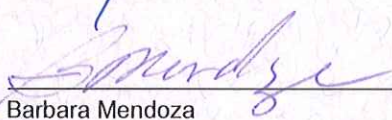
A motion was made by Mr. Ruiz and seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for adjournment of the public meeting.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Session was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

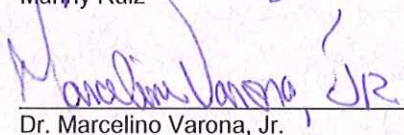
**APPROVED BY THE BOARD**


  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Greg Lucero President

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary  
January 22, 2018

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara Mendoza Clerk

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Manny Ruiz Member

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr. Member

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Santiny Orozco Member

(For exact statements made during the Board Meeting, you may request a copy of the DVD)