NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
GOVERNING BOARD
Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of October 9, 2019
Held at 12:00 p.m.

I. Attendance:
The following Board Members were present:
Manuel Ruiz, President, Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr., Clerk; Members Barbara Mendoza, Greg Lucero and Robert Rojas

a. Call to Order

Mr. Ruiz called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Adelmo Sandoval, Business Director, led all in the Pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented to the Board.

Mr. Lucero made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Rojas for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Lucero, Rojas, Varona, Mendoza and Ruiz

II. Study Session

a. FY19 Annual Financial Report

Adelmo Sandoval, Business Director, gave a Power Point presentation to the Board.

Dr. Varona thanked the Administration for a conservative budget and in keeping track of finances.
He recognized support services for doing a good job with the school facilities and being able to “come up to the plate”.

He further made comments on the energy savings program and teachers’ negotiation committee.
He concluded by, in advance, thanking the tax payers for taking the time to take in consideration the override and mentioned that the students are the ones who benefit from it.
Mr. Lucero requested that a budget vs. revenue be considered as a future presentation to the Board. Further, asked for discussion on bonds at the next Board Retreat.

Mrs. Mendoza made comments about the employees' salaries and mentioned she was looking forward to a great year.

Mr. Rojas reported he had attended the Government of Affairs Conference in Rio Rico where Superintendent Verdugo was present and made comments on education. He concluded by stating he felt very confident with the reports given by Mr. Sandoval.

Superintendent Parra made comments about an increase in the 301 funding.

Mr. Sandoval made a clarification that when there are extra funds available, the committee decides how they are distributed.

Judith Mendoza-Jimenez, Student Services Director, added that when there is a loss of teachers, that money still needs to be available for incoming qualified certified teachers.

Mr. Rojas asked how many substitutes the District presently had.

Ms. Zuniga clarified that there were eight long-term substitutes and most of them do meet the qualifications for the 301 funds.

Superintendent Parra clarified that the teachers do not take these moneys as an increase but as an incentive.

Dr. Varona, for clarification to the public, asked that the budgeting of the music program in the schools be explained.

Mr. Sandoval clarified that music extra-curricular programs where sustained by the Override and music teachers by Prop 301.

Mr. Ruiz mentioned that being conservative with the funds provided was very important. He further mentioned that he was happy to hear there was good communication with the teachers and they were happy.

Superintendent Parra thanked the Board for their support. He highlighted how the district took care of critical issues with the teachers.

He also mentioned programs have been maintained with the District’s financing. He concluded by stating he was very proud of the District's accomplishments and thanked the Board for their support.

Mr. Ruiz concluded by highlighting the great leadership, strategies, and guidance of Superintendent Parra.

III. Approval of Governing Board Minutes of September 23, 2019

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Lucero for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Rojas, Lucero, Mendoza, Varona and Ruiz
IV. Consent Agenda Items

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented to the Board.

Mrs. Mendoza made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Lucero for approval.

Dr. Varona recommended that the FBLA give a report on how it went at the Conference in Washington upon their return.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Mendoza, Lucero, Rojas, Varona and Ruiz

a. Approval of Out of State Travel for Melissa Dembowski (2019 IB CP, DP, MYP Categories 1, 2, & 3 Workshops – Chicago, IL – Oct. 25-28, 2019)
b. Approval of Out of State Travel for FBLA of NHS (to FBLA National Leadership Conference, in Washington, DC – October 31- November 4, 2019)
c. Approval of Out of State Travel for Tim Colgate (to 2019 Winter IB Conference – December 4-7, 2019 - St. Pete Beach, Florida)
d. Approval of the Pima County School Superintendent’s Inter-Governmental Agreement for FY19-20
e. Approval of the AZ DES Inter-Governmental Agreement Amendment for the Transition to Work Program FY19-20
f. Approval of Personnel Agenda Summary

V. Action

a. Approval of FY19 Annual Financial Report

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for approval as presented.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Rojas, Mendoza, Varona, Lucero and Ruiz

VI. Adjournment of the Study Session

Mr. Lucero made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Rojas for adjournment of the public meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Lucero, Rojas, Mendoza, Varona and Ruiz

Session adjourned at 12:39 p.m.
APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Manny Ruiz
President

Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.
Clerk

Barbara Mendoza
Member

Greg Lucero
Member

Robert S. Rojař
Member

Respectfully Submitted
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary
October 28, 2019

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