



NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Regular Minutes of the March 27, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

I. Attendance:

The following Board Members were present:

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

Not present: Board Member Santiny Orozco

a. Call to Order

Mr. Lucero called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent Fernando Parra led all on the pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

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

Motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Governing Board Minutes

a. Approval of the Governing Board Regular Board Minutes of February 27, 2017

Superintendent Parra recommended approval of the minutes as presented.

A motion was made by Dr. Varona and seconded by Mr. Ruiz 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 Award:

Congratulations to Ms. Roxanna Holguin, Speech/Language Pathologist for NUSD #1

Superintendent Parra gave a brief background on Ms. Roxanna Holguin's special nomination. He mentioned she's retiring this year and the District is losing a great speech/language pathologist and was hopeful she would consider coming back to NUSD after her retirement.

Superintendent Parra also gave an overview of Ms. Holguin's education and work experience and presented her with a certificate of appreciation from NUSD.

Ms. Holguin spoke some words of gratitude and expressed her appreciation working for so many years at NUSD.

Mr. Lucero mentioned that listening to the staff speak well about their experience working at NUSD makes the Board realized what a great place it is and that their volunteering time is all worth it.

2. Update - Governing Board Meeting of April 24, 2017, will be held at Pierson Vocational High School starting at 3:30 p.m.
(The date has been changed from April 10, 2017)

Superintendent Parra announced that the Governing Board Meeting that was previously scheduled to be held at Pierson Vocational High School on April 10, 2017, has been rescheduled to April 24, 2017, at 3:30 p.m.

3. Notice to the Governing Board of the Retirement Dinner Celebration set for May 12, 2017 to be held at the Quality Inn Americana Hotel

Superintendent Parra announced to the Board of the date for this year's Retirement Dinner Celebration taking place at the Quality Inn Americana on Friday, May 12, 2017. He further added that this event would be placed on their calendars by the Governing Board's Secretary, Mary Lopez, and also a close-to-the-date reminder to make proper arrangements.

- b. ASBA Update by Governing Board Clerk Barbara Mendoza

1. Update - ASBA Legislative Report

Mrs. Mendoza mentioned she had attended the Capitol meeting where the attendees had the opportunity to discuss with the Legislators the President's Education Bill and she regretted having to find out that overall the education area would be suffering cuts. She added that it was important to keep in touch with the legislators in order that the people's voices are heard and they know their needs.

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

Mrs. Mendoza reported she read at Lincoln School and Desert Shadows Middle school, on the read across America week. She mentioned it had been a great experience especially reading at the middle school level. She added that the students she had read to were honor students and therefore, it had been nice to see middle schoolers interested in what goes on at the District level and that they had asked her questions like how was the district run and about education.

She reported she had also attended the Public Hearing at the State Board of Education A-F Ad Hoc Committee and that questions and comments had been well received, and she mentioned that they have slowed down the process a little bit to try to get everything right.

Dr. Varona reported that he reads the Washington Post every morning and he likes to read posts from a conservative individual George Will, because he likes his philosophy; in stating so, he mentioned the importance of funding in education. He further congratulated Ms. Kathy Scott's article (Arts/STEM) and added it had been very precise and well done. He also participated as a member of City Council in "the friendship hug" that the U.S. Consul and the Mexico Consul had put up this event. He mentioned he had met a young man who was a Nogales, Sonora Mexico Council member who, to his surprise, used to be a NUSD student.

Dr. Varona further reported he had also read to Wade Carpenter Middle School students and that it had been an enjoyable experience. He thanked Dr. Soltero and Mrs. Silva for their invitation. He thanked the administrators, teachers and students for all the positive comments he had heard around the community about NUSD. He mentioned he appreciated the great leadership at NUSD. He mentioned he was keeping up with the fishes at Bracker Elementary. He congratulated the Nogales High School Baseball team on the game NHS vs. Douglas and mentioned he was proud they had won 13-0, and that it had been a great game to watch.

Mr. Lucero reported he had read at Wade Carpenter Middle School and thanked Dr. Soltero for his invitation, that it had been a nice experience. He also reported he had attended the NHS baseball game and was happy to see them win.

IV. Call to the Public

None

V. Consent Agenda Items

Superintendent Parra mentioned that the insurance had been stabilized throughout this year and no increases in premiums had been made.

Superintendent Parra requested approval of the consent agenda as presented.

Dr. Varona thanked the administration and the committee for having worked hard on keeping the insurance stabilized and put these moneys in better use for the teachers.

A motion was made by Dr. Varona and seconded by Mr. Ruiz for approval of the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Ratification of Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations vouchers (January 2017)
- c. Ratification of Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations vouchers(February 2017)
- d. Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Funds Extra Curricular Tax Credit (report ending 1/31/2017)
- e. Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Funds Extra Curricular Tax Credit (report ending 2/28/2017)

- f. Approval/Acceptance of Donation by Tucson Conquistadores Foundation -Joe Wittmann- (\$3,000.00 to WCMS to be used for athletic uniforms and sports awards)
- g. Approval of Personnel Agenda Summary
- h. Approval of ASBAIT Insurance FY 2017-2018
- i. Approval of Pay-Period Schedule for School Year 2017-2018
- j. Approval of Salary Schedules for School Year 2017-2018
- k. Approval of Benefit Schedules for School Year 2017-2018

VI. Action Items – None

VII. Information and Discussion and Possible Action

- a. Approval of Submission of Proposed Occupational Program Request for Air Force Jr. Reserved Officer Training Corps (JROTC) [to consider adding as a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program of study]

Superintendent Parra gave a brief overview of the Air Force JROTC consideration presented to the Board to be approved and added as part of the CTE program.

Assistant Superintendent, Angel Canto, added a few comments of the program.

A motion was made by Dr. Varona and seconded by Mr. Ruiz to approve the recommendation by the administration.

Dr. Varona thanked Superintendent Parra and Mrs. Canto for bringing this recommendation forward.

VIII. Request for Future Agenda Items

Dr. Varona asked for a possible overview of the recent Supreme Court ruling on the education of individuals with disabilities, and how it affects the district.

IX. Adjournment of the Special Meeting/Study Session

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

Dr. Varona mentioned this had been a very

Motion carried unanimously.

Session was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

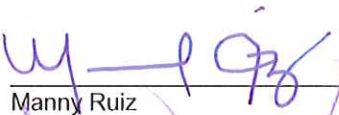
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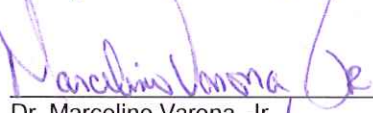
Greg Lucero President



Barbara Mendoza Clerk



Manny Ruiz Member



Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr. Member



Santiny Orozco Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary
April 10, 2017

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