



NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the April 8, 2019 held at 4:00 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 4:00 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Varona led all in the Pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented to the Board.

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

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

II. Approval of Governing Board Meetings of March 25, 2019

Superintendent Parra recommended approval as presented to the Board.

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

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

III. Governing Board/Superintendent Information

a. Superintendent Report- Discussion, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

At this time:

Superintendent Parra made an announcement stating that momentary before the meeting started, the administration received an email indicating Coronado Elementary school had just been classified an A+ school.

He added that the official announcement would take place at the next Board meeting. The Board congratulated the school for doing a great job.

1. Superintendent Outstanding Student Award:
Congratulations to Desert Shadows Middle School Poms Squad Arizona State Champions!

Superintendent Parra gave a brief overview and introduced Dr. Molera to give a brief update.

Dr. Molera gave a brief presentation and overview of the previous participations, and added that the girls overall GPA was 3.6. She added that Kamila, Rosa, Glenda and Victoria had a perfect 4.0 GPA overall school year.

Mrs. Moore, coach, spoke briefly about the hard work of the poms squad and thanked the moms for their help and hard work, the office staff for helping her with their needs and competition registrations. She mentioned their competition was with six (6) other middle schools and they had gotten 1st place and Kayla Maytorena had gotten 2nd place on her solo performance.

She introduced the poms squad for the record along with their awards received.

Mr. Parra introduced them with a NUSD award.

The Board thanked them all for a job well done.

2. Superintendent Outstanding Teacher Award:
Congratulations to Nogales High School Athletic Trainer and Teacher, Mr. Eric Sowle!

Superintendent Parra gave a brief background, stating that Mr. Sowle does a great job with the students and is working hard to get his CTE.

He introduced Mr. Sowle with a certificate of appreciation.

Mr. Sowle thanked everyone for the support and added his thanks to the administration for the recognition.

Mr. Cesar Miranda mentioned a few words of appreciation and added that Mr. Sowle was a hard worker and great with the students.

Dr. Varona echoed Mr. Parra's comments and added a few comments stating that Mr. Sowle has a high work ethic and he communicates well with the parents and students.

Mr. Ruiz thanked him for his hard work for the students of NUSD.

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

Dr. Varona congratulated Asst. Superintendent Angel Canto, for an article published in the Chamber Business News on the Golden Education Nugget in Nogales; it was a great article with great publicity.

He attended the Student of the Month at Wade Carpenter Middle School, and it was a great event.

He thanked the Board members who attended the NSBA in Philadelphia and stated it had been an excellent conference.

He mentioned some of the highlights of the conference.

He mentioned he felt more coding and computer science needed to be introduced to the students.

He also mentioned there was a website called *eemariachi.com* and suggested that the NHS mariachi gets some input from this mariachi group, that it may help them grow more in their music.

He congratulated all librarians on National Librarian Day.

He concluded by inviting the Board and administrators to the ASBA Summer Leadership Institute in Flagstaff.

Mrs. Mendoza congratulated the Coronado Elementary Team for the exceptional award received.

Mr. Rojas also congratulated Mrs. Jimenez, Coronado Elementary Principal, for the great honor in receiving the A+ school designation.

Mr. Lucero thanked Dr. V for his great report.

Mr. Ruiz congratulated Coronado Elementary for grade A+ award they received.

He reported he had met with the U of A President Dr. Robins and invited him to come down to Nogales and visit the schools. He was hopeful it could be set up soon.

He was also happy that many good things were happening along with good opportunities for NUSD.

IV. Call to the Public

Mr. Kenneth A. Gorman spoke regarding the NHS Senior Project and possible future changes in the rules to allow students to have a second chance in order to be able to walk during graduation.

He thanked the administration for all their help with his son's project discrepancy.

V. Consent Agenda Items

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

Mr. Ruiz thanked Mr. Frederick, present at the meeting, for his donation to Lincoln school.

Motion carried unanimously by members:

Rojas, Mendoza, Ruiz, Varona and Lucero

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Ratification of Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Vouchers
- c. Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Funds Extra Curricular Tax Credit
- d. Approval of Donation by Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office (Alfredo Velasquez) (\$1,000 for school activities to WCMS)
- e. Approval of Donation by Lawrence B. Frederick (\$1,158.39 of sound equipment for Lincoln Elementary School)
- f. Approval of Pay-Period Schedule for School Year 2019-2020
- g. Approval of Renewal of Employees for School Year 2019-2020
- h. Approval of Personnel Agenda Summary

VI. Action

a. Approval of NUSD Override Committee

Superintendent Parra requested approval as presented.

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

Superintendent Parra gave a brief overview of the procedure.

Dr. Varona requested a future follow-up report and schedule of the timeframe to follow all time limits.

Mrs. Mendoza asked if this particular override was for use of repairing school facilities.

Superintendent Parra clarified that this override was for salary increase for teachers, and classified staff, extracurricular activities and athletic programs.

Mr. Lucero concurred with Dr. Varona's request of the Board receiving a schedule of the timeframe.

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

Out of order:

Nogales High School student, as previously requested by the father, was allowed by the Board to speak about the Senior Project; Mr. Ruiz returned the meeting to the Call to the Public.

VII. Information and Discussion – None

VIII. Requests for Future Agenda Items

Dr. Varona ask that on the principal's report if the principals could mention what they are doing on the teaching on John McCain.

The Board requested more information on the senior project brought up on the Call to the Public.

Superintendent Parra stated they would have the information at the upcoming Governing Board's Retreat.

IX. Adjournment of the Study Session

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

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

Session adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

