



NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the Board Meeting of August 28, 2017 held at 5:00 p.m.

I. Attendance:

The following Board Members were present:

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

a. Call to Order

Mr. Lucero called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Varona led all in the Pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Parra mentioned the back wall commemoration to Employees/Teachers of the year and thanked the staff who helped put it together.

The Board thanked Mr. Parra for a job well done.

Superintendent Parra recommended approval of the Agenda as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruiz and seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for approval. Motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Governing Board Minutes

a. Approval of the Governing Board Regular Board Minutes of August 14, 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. Celebration of the 16th of September, Mexico's Independence – NUSD Partnership with the Consulado General de Mexico and Santa Cruz County Superintendent's Office – Friday, September 15, 2017 at Pierson Vocational High School Field

Superintendent Parra announced that they were working in collaboration with the Consulado de Mexico and the City of Nogales to hold the Quince de Septiembre Celebration that is taking place at Pierson Vocational High School Field.

2. Transportation (Seat Belts) Update

Superintendent Parra gave an update mentioning that the signs have been posted in the buses for seat belts and the use has been approved to start this year. This includes the activity bus which will travel out of town, as well as the Special Needs buses. The other buses were chosen depending on the length of the trip. Administrators are helping to assist students to make sure they wear seatbelts and sending notices home informing the parents of the new system.

Dr. Varona asked Superintendent Parra for a brief update on the installation of Wi-Fi on the student buses.

Superintendent Parra mentioned that Mr. Sandoval would be giving a future full report and that they were checking that everything was in compliance.

Mr. Sandoval gave a brief explanation of where the District is at the moment on qualifications to provide the service.

Dr. Varona asked what would be the implementation date.

Mr. Sandoval mentioned this was still under discussion.

Dr. Varona asked that this item be placed as a future agenda item.

Mrs. Mendoza mentioned she was glad to see the seat belts were working out for the safety of the students and thanked the administration for getting this implemented.

3. Reclassification of Emergency Teacher Status to Certified Teacher

Superintendent Parra gave a brief report stating that the District is working hard to assist the principals to make sure the emergency teachers become certified. He added that at this moment there are 6 out of 11 ready to be certified.

4. Teaching Tolerance-Race Education

Superintendent Parra gave a brief review. He mentioned that there had not been any issues of discrimination locally that prompted this but rather situations around the country. He added that he believed it was important and appropriate to discuss this in the classrooms in order that the students reflect in the subject.

Mr. Lucero wished him good luck in this important plan.

5. A.J. Mitchell "Chat with the Principal" – Ms. Shuman

Superintendent Parra gave a brief review and introduced Ms. Shuman to explain how her plan is working at her school.

Ms. Shuman explained how her plan works and mentioned it was something done on the last Friday of each month. She further mentioned that parents come in and talk to the principal/staff and express their concerns. She added that she also encourages them to return the following month to tell her what changes they have seen and what else they can do to continue helping.

6. FY2018 Results-Based Funding – Ms. Canto/Mr. Sandoval

Superintendent Parra gave a brief update and introduced Asst. Superintendent Canto and Finance Director Adelmo Sandoval to explain the results.

Ms. Canto and Mr. Sandoval gave a Power Point presentation explaining the FY18 funding results. Hard copies of the presentation were provided.

Mr. Lucero thanked them for the presentation.

- b. ASBA Update by Governing Board Clerk Barbara Mendoza
 - 1. Update ASBA Legislative Report

Mrs. Mendoza reported that the project of "Save Our Schools" was going very well. She mentioned that, however, another lawsuit by the Goldwater Foundation had been filed.

She reminded the Board of the September 6-8, 2017 ASBA Law Conference in Phoenix.

She further mentioned the partnership with private businesses and corporate people to obtain support for extracurricular activities. She stated that districts need to get more creative and to make partnerships with these organizations and businesses to obtain the funding.

She concluded by reminding the Board and Administration of the upcoming ASBA County Meeting to be held at Little Red School District #28 on October 3, 2017.

c. Governing Board Report, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

Dr. Varona congratulated Ms. Jimenez and Mr. Colgate on their academic achievement. He, on behalf of the community, stated that they have faith that all other schools can achieve the same.

He congratulated Superintendent Parra for providing tolerance education. He proceeded to read a quote about the importance of education and mentioned the importance to keep the students educated. He added that he looked forward to seeing in the principals' reports how this was being addressed.

He further mentioned he attended the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Annual Conference and that they had a pre-conference on education sponsored by the Arizona Education Progress Meter and Statewide Attainment Goals.

He gave a brief summary of the pre-conference and the importance of the implementation of computer science and coding in the schools K-12.

He further mentioned he met a former 1995 NUSD graduate, Victor Mercado, now director of public information for Sunnyside District.

He concluded that the League Conference was asking for City Elected officials to get more involved in education.

Dr. Varona mentioned the highlights of the schools' reports that he had enjoyed reading about.

He concluded by reminding the Board about the "Relay for Life Event" coming up in September and suggested that they support the event with a \$25.00 donation and walk the walk.

Mr. Orozco made comments about the teaching of tolerance and kindness at NUSD and suggested the probability of having a Kindness-Tolerance Pledge for the Governing Board.

Mrs. Mendoza congratulated Ms. Jimenez and Mr. Colgate for their success and recognition received. She further mentioned that she was looking forward to seeing more good things happening at the schools and thanked the principals for their every-day work.

Mr. Ruiz congratulated Ms. Jimenez and Mr. Colgate for their achievement. He further mentioned the importance of teaching "Tolerance" since it was a highly contested issue and that he was glad it was being brought up to the students as it was very important since they were the future of this country. He thanked the principals and staff for taking over and wished them good luck with the subject.

Mr. Lucero echoed the Board's statements and directed himself to the principals stating, "You are our leaders, you make us look good, continued the good job". He reported he had also attended the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Conference and the Google presentation/luncheon had been very educational.

Dr. Varona mentioned he had lunch with the new president of the University of Arizona and he was a kind and intellectual man and it had been a very enjoyable luncheon.

IV. Call to the Public
None

V. Consent Agenda Items

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.

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Approval of Award for Sole Source status to United States Postal Service
- c. Approval of Resolution for Request for Proposal (RFP) for Wide Area Network (WAN) including Internet Services
- d. Adoption of Revised FY18 Resolution: Student Activity Fund Treasurers
- e. Approval to Issue Invitation for Bid (IFB) for the NHS Culinary Arts Classroom Construction Project
- f. Approval of Personnel Agenda

VI. Action Items - None

VII. Information and Discussion

- a. First Read of August 2017 Policy Advisory from Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) for Recommendation of Policy changes to Policies: BBBA – Board Member Qualifications; EEAEA – Bus Driver Requirements, Training, and Responsibilities; GCQF – Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members; GDFA – Support Staff Qualifications and Requirements (Fingerprinting Requirements); IE – Organization and Instruction; IJJ – Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption; JFAA – Admission of Resident Students; JFABC – Admission of Transfer Students (Academic Credit Transfer); JFB – Open Enrollment; JL – Student Wellness; and KB – Parental Involvement in Education

Superintendent Parra gave a brief presentation and introduced Mrs. Canto and Mrs. Zuñiga to explain the changes.

Mrs. Canto and Mrs. Zuñiga gave a Power Point presentation.

The Board expressed their concerns and Mrs. Canto and Mrs. Zuniga made clarification on their concerns.

VIII. Request for Future Agenda Items

Dr. Varona, once again, requested an update on Wi-Fi on the school buses.


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.

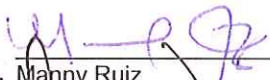
Motion carried unanimously.

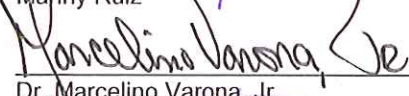
Session was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

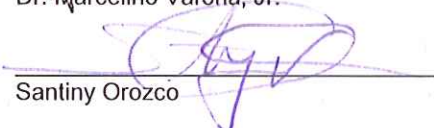
APPROVED BY THE BOARD


 _____ President
 Greg Lucero


 _____ Clerk
 Barbara Mendoza


 _____ Member
 Manny Ruiz


 _____ Member
 Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.


 _____ Member
 Santiny Orozco

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary
September 11, 2017

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