

MINUTES FOR REGULAR BOARD MEETING (Tuesday, January 12, 2021)

Members present: Adelita S.Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Meeting called to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. EXECUTIVE MEETING – 3:30 p.m.

Action: 1.1 Motion to Convene Executive Meeting

Board Member Attendance was established via a call for the roll. Those in attendance were Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, and Leila Counts. Sadie Shaw was not present for the roll call. Superintendent Dr. Gabriel Trujillo was not present for the roll call. Rob Ross was present for the roll call.

Resolution: Motion and vote to recess Regular Meeting into Executive Session.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Not Present: Sadie Shaw

Discussion: 1.2 Personnel

Discussion: 1.3 Discussion or Consultation with Attorney(s)

Action: 1.4 Adjourn Executive Meeting and Reconvene Regular Meeting

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Procedural: 2.1 Call to Order – 4:34 p.m.

Board Member Attendance was established via a call for the roll. Those in attendance were Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts. Superintendent Dr. Gabriel Trujillo and Rob Ross were present for the roll call.

4:35 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance led by Josefine Counts, 1st grader at Bloom Elementary School.

Action: 2.2 Agenda Adjustments – 4:36 p.m.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommended addressing Items 8.1 and 9.1 after Call to the Audience.

By unanimous consent to address Items 8.1 and 9.1 after Call to the Audience.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Information: 3.1 Superintendent's Report – 4:38 p.m.

INFORMATION ONLY

Details are available via the video and audio recordings on the TUSD Internet at www.tusd1.org.

- Doolen/Sabino Virtual Performance Video – 4:40 p.m.
- Superintendent's Report – 4:48 p.m.

Dr. Trujillo provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Leila Counts and Sadie Shaw.

4. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Call to the Audience, Procedural: 4.1 Guidelines to Address the Board – 4:57 p.m.

Board President Leila Counts announced that Sadie Shaw would read the Call to the Audience protocol.

Sadie Shaw read the protocol for Call to the Audience.

Members of the public submitted their written comments via email at governingboard@tusd1.org.

Public comments were read into the record by Yolanda Peña, Program Coordinator of Staff Services to the Governing Board.

Persons whose comments were read during the Call to the Audience were Andrea Rickard re: Benchmark Testing; Michael Boreale re: Proposed cuts to Assistant Principals; Betts Putnam-Hidalgo, Representative of CARE re: Grading Committee; Pilar Ruiz, Representative of CARE re: Governing Board Policy; Lillian Fox re: Review of TUSD's Plans and Policies.

Board President Leila Counts asked if Board Members wanted to respond to audience comments.

Dr. Trujillo clarified that 100% communication to the press, teachers, employees, and the Board that in no way was the District's grading scale changed. Instead, proposed options were given. Teachers had the option to give incompletes. Teachers are not required to give incompletes or a pass grade. It is a violation of state statutes for a principal and Board member to unilaterally turn a grade over. In regards, to the Grading Committee, any work that the committee currently does, will be for recommendations to the Board for School Year 2021-2022

Leila Counts reminded the Board that at the end of the Call to Audience, the Board could respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Board, wish to ask staff to review a matter, or wish to ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. No more than one board member may address each criticism.

Sadie Shaw responded to Andrea Rickard's comments and requesting a review of the benchmark testing. Dr. Trujillo commented.

Also, Sadie Shaw requested in regards, to the Grading Committee that the District have public forums for input. Dr. Trujillo commented. Leila Counts added that curriculum representation be included.

8. INFORMATION ITEM(S)

Information: 8.1 COVID 19 Vaccine Distribution Update for the Tucson Unified School District – 5:15 p.m.

INFORMATION ONLY

Dr. Trujillo provided information and introduced Nikki Stefan and Brian Eller, COVID Liaison, Pima County Health Department who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Natalie Luna Rose, Ravi Grivois-Shah and Sadie Shaw. Dr. Trujillo provided additional information.

9. STUDY ITEM(S)

Study: 9.1 2021-2022 Budget Study Session#1: Fiscal Year 2021 Overview – 5:53 p.m.

STUDIED ONLY

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Renee Weatherless who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Ravi Grivois-Shah, Adelita Grijalva, Leila Counts, Natalie Luna Rose and Sadie Shaw.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent): 5.1 Approval of Consent Agenda Items 5.2 through 5.10 – 6:59 p.m.

Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent): 5.2 Approval of Talent Acquisition, Transfers, Separations, Changes, Payouts, and Leaves of Absence

Motion to approve the Talent Acquisition personnel lists.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent): 5.3 Memorandum of Understanding between the Tucson Unified School District, Educational Enrichment Foundation and Cox Communications regarding Connect2Compete Program

Motion to Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Tucson Unified School District, Educational Enrichment Foundation and Cox Communications regarding Connect2Compete Program for TUSD students, families and staff.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent): 5.4 Approval of No Kid Hungry Grant Award of \$75,000 – Tucson Unified School District Food Services Department

Motion to Approve No Kid Hungry Grant Award of \$75,000.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent), Minutes: 5.5 Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meeting – December 8, 2020

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting for December 8, 2020.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent), Minutes: 5.6 Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meeting – January 5, 2021

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting for January 5, 2021.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent): 5.7 Salary and Expense Vouchers – December 2020

Ratification of Salary and Expense Vouchers for the Period Beginning December 1, 2020 and Ending December 31, 2020.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent): 5.8 Student Activity Funds through December 31, 2020

Motion to approve the Summary of Student Activity Funds for the Period of July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent): 5.9 Tax Credit Extracurricular Activity Programs Report by School Site through December 31, 2020

Motion to approve the Summary of Tax Credit Extracurricular Activity Balances for the Period of July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Action (Consent): 5.10 Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Public Gifts and Donations to Schools Quarterly Report (2nd Quarter)

Motion to approve the FY2020-2021 Public Gifts and Donations to schools 2nd Quarter Report.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 5.2 through 5.10.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

6. ACTION ITEM(S)

Action: 6.1 Proclamation: National School Counseling Week in Tucson Unified School District, February 1 – 5, 2021 – 7:02 p.m.

Motion to Approve Proclamation: National School Counseling Week in Tucson Unified School District, February 1 – 5, 2021 as presented.

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Natalie Luna Rose.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rebecca Carrier who read the proclamation and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Natalie Luna Rose, Adelita Grijalva, Leila Counts, Ravi Grivois-Shah and Sadie Shaw.

Action: 6.2 Approval of Expenditures, in excess of \$250,000, for District Microsoft Licenses Using a Cooperative Contract, with Authorization for the Director of Purchasing to Execute the Agreement – 7:08 p.m.

Motion to approve the expenditures for Microsoft Licensing Services using a Cooperative Contract with expenditures that are estimated at 650,000.00 for the year.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Adelita Grijalva.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Blaine Young who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Blaine Young introduced Diana Kerfoot and Rabih Hamadeh who provided information and responded to Board Members inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Adelita Grijalva and Natalie Luna Rose. Dr. Trujillo provided additional information.

7. STUDY/ACTION ITEM(S)

Study/Action: 7.1 Governing Board Policy ECAA - Security (Surveillance Cameras) (New) FIRST READING – 7:21 p.m.

Motion to post proposed Policy ECAA – Security (Surveillance Cameras) on the Governing Board website for public comment prior to bringing back for final action.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Natalie Luna Rose.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information. Jeff Coleman provided information and responded to Sadie Shaw's inquiries.

Study/Action: 7.2 Governing Board Policy IMB – Teaching About Controversial/Sensitive Issues (Revisions) FIRST READING and proposed Governing Board Policy IB – Academic Freedom – 7:27 p.m.

Motion to post the attached proposed revisions to Policy IMB – Teaching About Controversial/Sensitive Issues, and the attached proposed new Policy IB – Academic Freedom – on the Governing Board website for public comment prior to bringing back for final action.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Adelita Grijalva and Leila Counts. Dr. Trujillo provided additional information.

Study/Action: 7.3 Governing Board Policy IMD – School Observances (Patriotic) – Revisions – FIRST READING – 7:33 p.m.

Motion to approve the attached proposed revisions to Policy IMD – School Observances – for posting on the Governing Board website for public comment prior to bringing back for final action.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Natalie Luna Rose.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Rob Ross provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Adelita Grijalva, Leila Counts, Natalie Luna Rose, Ravi Grivois-Shah and Sadie Shaw.

Study/Action: 7.4 Governing Board Policy CFC – Site Councils (Revision) FIRST READING – 7:41 p.m.

Motion to post revisions to Policy CFC – Site Councils – on the Governing Board website for public comment prior to bringing it back for final action.

Study/Action: 7.5 Governing Board Policy GCAB - Filling of Vacancies

Motion to approve the attached revisions to Policy GCAB - Filling of Vacancies - for posting on the Governing Board website for public comment prior to bringing it back for final action.

Items 7.4 and 7.5 addressed as one item.

Motion by Ravi Grivois-Shah, second by Adelita Grijalva.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Rob Ross provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Ravi Grivois-Shah, Leila Counts and Sadie Shaw. Dr. Trujillo provided information.

10. FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEM(S) (The Board may consider adding, canceling and/or rescheduling future board meeting(s). In addition, a Board Member may propose future agenda item(s) with limited discussion. The discussion should center around the purpose of placing the item on the

appropriate agenda for consideration and action, as necessary. (Ref: Governing Board Policy BEDB)

Procedural: 10.1 Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Item(s) – 7:48 p.m.

Dr. Trujillo sadly was informed that former Board President/Member Michael Hicks had passed away earlier in the evening from COVID-19. A memorial tribute will be facilitated at the next Board meeting.

Dr. Trujillo proposed having an additional short study session Tuesday, January 19, 2021 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with no executive session, strictly on COVID-19 response for the District. It would include the current options for employees, update on vaccines and in-person back to school. Adelita Grijalva commented. Rob Ross provided legal advice.

Motion to approve a Study Session Special Board meeting on updates on COVID-19, vaccines and back to school for January 19, 2021 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Natalie Luna Rose.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Adelita Grijalva, Natalie Luna Rose and Leila Counts expressed their condolences to the TUSD and the Hicks Family.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:55 p.m.

Due to the Coronavirus, meeting conducted via Zoom.
Leila Counts presided and called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
Meeting recessed to Executive Session at 3:30 p.m.
Meeting reconvened at 4:34 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Approved this 9 day of February, 2021.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By _____
Sadie Shaw, Clerk
Governing Board