

**Tucson Unified School District No. 1  
Governing Board Special Meeting  
Room 102 – 1125 N. Vine  
Tucson, Arizona**

**February 21, 2006  
5:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Present:**

Adelita S. Grijalva, President  
Alex Rodriguez, Clerk  
Bruce Burke, Member  
Judy Burns, Member  
Joel T. Ireland, Member

**Also Present:**

Roger F. Pfeuffer, Superintendent; Blue Ribbon Committee Member  
Patti Lopez, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent/Chief Academic Officer; Blue Ribbon  
Committee Member  
Judith Knight, Ph.D., Associate Superintendent; Blue Ribbon Committee Member  
Kathy Rucker, Executive Director, School Health Services  
David Scott, Director, Accountability and Research  
Kathy Prather, Assistant Director, Career and Technical Education  
Rudy Flores, Assistant Director, Technology and Telecommunication Services; Blue Ribbon  
Committee Member  
Lisa Long, Curriculum, Instruction and Technology Integration  
Terri Polan, Coordinator Professional Development, Exceptional Education  
Dan Bailey, Principal, Catalina Magnet High School  
Clarice Clash, Ed.D., Assistant Principal, Catalina Magnet High School  
Kay Passmore, Budget Chair, Catalina Magnet High School  
Patricia Dienz, Principal, Pueblo High Magnet School  
Angie Julien, Principal, Rincon High School  
Mark Kirschner, Principal, Santa Rita High School  
Carol Meyer, Teacher, Santa Rita High School  
Debbie Summers, Principal, Utterback Magnet Middle School; Blue Ribbon Committee Member  
Bill Estes, Chair of Blue Ribbon Committee; President, The Estes Co.  
Michael Duran, Blue Ribbon Committee Member; Vice President & Chief Development Officer,  
TMC Foundation  
Petra Falcon, Blue Ribbon Committee Member; Pima County Interfaith Council (PCIC)  
Jaimie Leopold, Blue Ribbon Committee Member; Jaimie Leopold Consulting  
Ed Parker, Blue Ribbon Committee Member; President and CEO, United Way of Tucson and  
Southern Arizona  
Tanis Salant, TUBAC Chair, Blue Ribbon Committee  
Mike Tomasaski, Union Pacific Railroad  
Pat Edsel

**ITEM**

**ACTION**

SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 5:15 P.M.

**JOINT MEETING WITH THE BLUE RIBBON  
COMMITTEE (BRC)**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions – Roger Pfeuffer and Bill Estes, Jr. | Discussion only. No action required or taken. |
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Bill Estes welcomed everyone and asked that those present around the table introduce themselves.

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| 2. Brief Updates                                    | Discussion only. No action required or taken. |
| - Success for Children – Patti Lopez and Mike Duran |   |

In addition to Patti Lopez and Mike Duran, Lisa Long and Terri Polan provided information on the status of the implementation of the Success for Children plan, the aspects of self-assessment, class size reduction, professional development and the integration of Exceptional Education into the process.

- Bright Ideas – Judith Knight and Rudy Flores

Rudy Flores shared information on the successful “Bright Ideas Day” and the regeneration of Bright Ideas with a new question, i.e., “How do we make TUSD the best place to send your child and the best place to work?”

In response to a question from Mike Duran, Rudy Flores made additional comments.

- JTED – Kathy Prather

Kathy Prather provided information on dates for industry-specific planning meetings as well as the overall JTED (Joint Technological Education District) Plan timelines for Pima County.

Roger Pfeuffer, Bill Estes and Alex Rodriguez commented.

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**DISCUSSION ITEMS** (continued)

2. Brief Updates (continued)

Discussion only. No action required or taken.

- Strategic Planning-Issue Statements – Roger Pfeuffer

Bill Estes and Roger Pfeuffer provided a brief history of the strategic planning process to date and shared timelines for the continuing process.

David Scott provided additional information in response to a question from Petra Falcon.

3. BRC Report – Jaimie Leopold

Discussion only. No action required or taken.

Jaimie Leopold provided a Summary of Report Findings on the *TUSD Blue Ribbon Committee A Reflection on Our Practice 2006* report.

Jaimie responded to questions and comments from Bill Estes, Ed Parker, Kathy Rucker, Rudy Flores, Roger Pfeuffer and Board Members Judy Burns and Alex Rodriguez.

4. Focus on High School Reform in TUSD – Roger Pfeuffer and Selected High School Principals

Discussion only. No action required or taken.

Roger Pfeuffer made introductory comments and explained that high school reform is basically breaking large high schools into smaller learning communities to enhance student achievement. Patti Lopez introduced Mike Tomasaski from Union Pacific Railroad and stated that Union Pacific has provided the resources for TUSD to proceed with the high school reform process.

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**DISCUSSION ITEMS** (continued)

4. Focus on High School Reform in TUSD – Roger Pfeuffer and Selected High School Principals (continued) Discussion only. No action required or taken.

Principals Angie Julien, Dan Bailey, Mark Kirshner and Patricia Dienz, along with Clarice Clash, Kay Passmore, and Carol Meyer, presented information on the process undertaken and the progress of school reform in their respective high schools.


Others commenting during the presentation were Bill Estes, Roger Pfeuffer, Jaimie Leopold, David Scott, Petra Falcon, Mike Duran, Debbie Summers, Judi Knight, Rudy Flores, Ed Parker, Patti Lopez, Mike Tomasaski, Kathy Prather, Terri Polan, Pat Edsel and Board Members Adelita Grijalva, Judy Burns, Joel Ireland, Alex Rodriguez and Bruce Burke.

5. Agenda Items for Next Joint Meeting – Roger Pfeuffer and Bill Estes, Jr. This item was not addressed.

SPECIAL MEETING ADJOURNED – 7:25 P.M.

Approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2006.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By   
Alex Rodriguez, Clerk  
Governing Board

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