

MINUTES FOR SPECIAL BOARD MEETING (Friday, March 27, 2020)

Members present: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts [via phone], Adelita S. Grijalva [via phone], Rachael Sedgwick [via phone] and Kristel Ann Foster.

Meeting called to order at 4:33 p.m.

1. SCHEDULE EXECUTIVE MEETING – 4:33 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, Bruce Burke, Leila Counts Adelita Grijalva and Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster. Superintendent Dr. Gabriel Trujillo was present for the roll call.

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

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Discussion: 1.2 Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body pursuant to ARS 38-431.03(A)(3)

Discussion: 1.3 Negotiations for the Purchase, Sale or Lease of Real Property

Discussion: 1.4 Negotiations with Employee Organizations

Action: 1.5 Adjourn Executive Meeting and Reconvene Special Meeting

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – 5:42 p.m.

Procedural: 2.1 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 5:42 p.m.

Board Member Attendance was established via a call for the roll. Those in attendance were Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster. Superintendent Dr. Gabriel Trujillo was present for the roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Dr. Gabriel Trujillo.

Action: 2.2 Agenda Adjustments – 5:56 p.m.

NO AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

3. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Information: 3.1 Superintendent's Report – 5:56 p.m.

INFORMATION ONLY

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

5:56 p.m. Food Services and Transportation

5:59 p.m. Technology Services/Curriculum and Instruction

6:01 p.m. Moses Thompson and Community Gardens

6:04 p.m. Community Schools and Pre-K Programs

6:15 p.m. HB2910

6:33 p.m. The Class of 2020

Dr. Trujillo provided information on the following topics and introduced Reem Keivit who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Members commenting and/or asking questions were Kristel Foster and Bruce Burke, Adelita Grijalva. Dr.

Trujillo provided additional information. Rob Ross provided legal advice and commented.

4. BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

Information: 4.1 Board Member Activity Reports – 6:38 p.m.
INFORMATION ONLY

Board Member who reported activities were Kristel Foster, Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva and Rachael Sedgwick. Dr. Trujillo commented.

5. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Call to the Audience, Procedural: 5.1 Guidelines to Address the Board – 6:42 p.m.

Board President Kristel Foster announced the Governing Board is committed to the safety of the entire TUSD community. In order to observe the recommended safeguards for reducing the rate of spread of COVID-19, the following procedures related to the Call to the Audience portion of Board meetings will be observed:

- Members of the public who wished to address the Governing Board were to contact the Governing Board office via email, governingboard@tusd1.org, or phoned in at 520-225-6070.
- Speakers provided their name, topic, and a phone number to reach them during the meeting.
- At the Call to the Audience portion of the meeting agenda, the Governing Board shall call the phone number provided by the speaker.
- The remaining rules for Call to the Audience will remain in effect.

Bruce Burke read the protocol for CTA.

Persons who spoke at Call to the Audience were Miguel Vazquez re: Support from Hillyard with COVID-19 preparedness, custodial management and available supplies on hand and a big shout out and thanks to Transportation, Food Services and the Early Childhood Learning Centers; Leila Rosales re: The status for the children in self-contained classes during the COVID 19; Pilar Ruiz re: Thanked the Superintendent for the information provided during the Superintendent's Report, requested a commitment from the Board members to have a graduation for the Class of 2020 and incorporate to cleaning the banisters, desks and chairs regularly at the high schools; Lindsey Aragon re: On behalf of the military families on the base, thanked Kristel Foster and Lindsay Aguilar for the support in having meals delivered to the students on the military base; Dolores re: Asked for the reason that classified employees were treated differently than the certified and administrators, by forcing to go to work while during the pandemic.

Board President Kristel Foster closed the CTA at 7:01 p.m. and asked if Board Members wanted to respond to Audience Comments.

Bruce Burkes commented regarding cleaning banisters, chairs and desks at the high schools.

Adelita Grijalva requested that Dr. Trujillo review the HB2910. Dr. Trujillo explained in detail the HB2910.

Kristel Foster responded to speaker Leila Rosales. She shares her concerns with the special needs children as she has one in her family and can relate to her. Also, suggest that anyone who had suggestions to contact the Board.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent): 6.1 Approval of Consent Agenda Items 6.2 Through 6.4

Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 6.2 through 6.4.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 6.2 through 6.4.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Action: 6.2 Approval of Request for Proposals 21-04-23 – Voluntary Group Dental, Vision, Voluntary Pet Coverage and Full Flexible Spending Account Administration

Motion to approve award recommendation and expenditures for RFP 21-04-23 – Voluntary Group Dental, Vision, Voluntary Pet Coverage and Full Flexible Spending Account Administration. While payments for these voluntary benefits are a function of the District, there is no cost to the District, as voluntary benefits are fully employee paid.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 6.2 through 6.4.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Action (Consent), Minutes: 6.3 Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meeting - March 10, 2020

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting for March 10, 2020.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 6.2 through 6.4.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Action (Consent), Minutes: 6.4 Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meeting - March 18, 2020

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting for March 18, 2020.

Resolution: Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 6.2 through 6.4.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

7. ACTION ITEM(S)

Action: 7.1 Tucson Unified K-12 Framework for Remote Instruction for Spring 2020 District Closure – 7:10 p.m.

Motion to approve a re-allocation of funding necessary to purchase and deploy digital devices to the segment of the TUSD student body that does not have access to a digital

device in the home and to pay for 30 days of high speed internet service for the students of the district that do not have internet access.

Resolution: In conformance with the presentations and accompanying PowerPoint presentations and the discussions from the administrators this evening in the presentation, motion for the approval of the reallocation of the funds necessary to purchase and deploy digital devices to those students and teachers who have no access to a digital device and to pay for necessary internet service and the digression of the administration as required for qualification for that service for those students and teachers who have no access and with respect to the re-allocation of funds from the Desegregation budget to do so in compliance with the USP collaborative procedures for the re-allocation process and also specifically to permit the acquisition of the digital devices through and perhaps even the services through cooperative contracting.

Motion by Bruce Burke, second by Kristel Foster.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

7:10 p.m. – Instructional Learning

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Flori Huitt and Heidi Aranda who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Adelita Grijalva commented and asked questions. Greer Martin-Smith provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries.

7:30 p.m. – Technology Services Component

Blaine Young provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Kristel Foster, Rachael Sedgwick, Bruce Burke and Adelita Grijalva. Dr. Trujillo provided additional information. Rob Ross provided legal advice.

Action: 7.2 Approval for the Re-Configuration of the Desegregation Department – 8:03 p.m.

Motion I

Motion to approve the job description as presented.

Motion by Kristel Foster, second by Adelita Grijalva.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Motion II

Motion to approve the reconfiguration of the Desegregation Department and reconstitute it under an Assistant Superintendent for Equity and Diversity as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Kristel Foster, Adelita Grijalva Leila Counts and Bruce Burke.

Action: 7.3 Intergovernmental Agreement among Pima County and Tucson Unified School District No. 1. Pima County, and the Pima County Treasurer

Regarding State's Refusal to Pay Additional State Aid for Education – 8:17 p.m.

Motion to approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Authorization for the Board President to execute on behalf of the Governing Board.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information.

Action: 7.4 Plant Fund Allocation for Additional Projects – 8:20 p.m.

Motion to approve \$330,000 in Plant Funds for the renovation and relocation of portables to Borman K8, Sam Hughes Elementary and Bloom Elementary and to approve an additional \$45,000 to complete the security camera project.

Motion by Bruce Burke, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided information and introduced Damon Ballesteros who provided information.

Action: 7.5 Governing Board Policy IMG – Animals in Schools (REVISIONS – SECOND READING) required by OCR, requested by Legal – 8:23 p.m.

Motion to Adopt Policy IMG, as posted, with no changes.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Kristel Foster.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information.

Action: 7.6 Governing Board Policy JFABD – Admission of Homeless Students in Foster Care (REVISED) requested by Charlotte Patterson and Legal – Statutory revisions (SECOND READING)

8:28 p.m.

Motion to ADOPT Policy JFABD as posted.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Kristel Foster.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Charlotte Patterson who provided information. Rob Ross provided legal advice.

Action: 7.7 Governing Board Policy JFABDA – Admission of Students in Foster Care (NEW) requested by Charlotte Patterson and Legal – Statutory Requirement (SECOND READING) – 8:30 p.m.

Motion to ADOPT new Policy JFABDA as posted.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Charlotte Patterson who provided information.

Action: 7.8 Governing Board Policy GBEFA – Staff Use of Digital Devices While Operating a Motor Vehicle (NEW) requested by Legal – Statutory (A.R.S. 28-914) SECOND READING – 8:32 p.m.

Motion to ADOPT new Policy GBEFA – Staff Use of Digital Devices While Operating a Motor Vehicle as posted.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information.

Action: 7.9 Governing Board Policy GBEB – Staff Conduct (Revisions) – Requested by Legal Department per ARS 15-153 *SECOND READING* – 8:33 p.m.

Motion to ADOPT proposed revisions to Policy GBEB – Staff Conduct, as amended.

Motion by Bruce Burke, second by Adelita Grijalva.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information.

Action: 7.10 Governing Board Policy DBC - Budget Planning, Preparation, Schedules (Revision – FIRST READING) requested by Legal and Finance (financial transparency, school websites) (BAI 1 of 3) – 8:35 p.m.

Motion to post Proposed Revisions to Policy DBC – Budget Planning, Preparation, Schedules, on the District Website for Public Comment.

Motion by Bruce Burke, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information and responded to Board Members inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Kristel Foster and Bruce Burke.

Action: 7.11 Governing Board Policy JQ – Student Fees (Tax Credit), Fines and Charges – FIRST READING) requested by Legal and Finance (BAI 2 of 3) – 8:39 p.m.

Motion to post Proposed Revisions to Policy JQ – Student Fees (Tax Credit), Fines and Charges on the District Website for Public Comment.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Bruce Burke.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information.

Action: 7.12 Governing Board Policy KCD – Gifts and Donations – (REVISION – FIRST READING) requested by Legal and Finance (BAI 3 of 3) – 8:40 p.m.

Motion to post Proposed Revisions to Policy KCD – Gifts and Donations – on the District Website for Public Comment.

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Adelita Grijalva.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Bruce Burke, Leila Counts, Adelita Grijalva, Rachael Sedgwick and Kristel Foster.

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Rob Ross who provided information.

8. FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEM(S) (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 next most appropriate agenda for consideration and action as necessary. Ref: Governing Board Policy BEDB.)

Procedural: 8.1 Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Item(s) – 8:42 p.m.

For the April 7, 2020, Regular Board meeting, Dr. Trujillo provided information with his plans for bringing forth a graduation plan and recommendations for promotion/retention.

Kristel Foster stated that before the District can decide on a plan of action for graduation and promotion/retention, we would have to wait to hear the decisions made from Arizona Department of Education.

Adelita Grijalva expressed her concerns regarding the setup on conducting a Zoom meeting while practicing social distancing. She requested that separate tables to be arranged in the Boardroom, so that all Board members could be present. Kristel Foster commented.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:46 p.m.

There were approximately 10+ people in the audience.

Kristel Ann Foster presided and called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Meeting recessed to Executive Session at 4:33 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 5:42 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Approved this 7th day of April, 2020.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By _____
Leila Counts, Clerk
Governing Board