

**Tucson Unified School District No. 1  
Governing Board Regular Meeting  
Board Room, Morrow Education Center  
1010 East Tenth Street  
Tucson, Arizona**

**April 9, 2002  
6:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Present:**

Mary Belle McCorkle, Ed.D., President  
Joel T. Ireland, Clerk  
Judy Burns, Member  
Carolyn Kemmeries, Member  
Rosalie López, Member  
Joshua Lederman, Student Liaison to the Governing Board

**Also Present:**

Stan Paz, Ph.D., Superintendent  
Jane Butler, Senior Legal Counsel  
Rebecca Montaña, Ed.D., Associate Superintendent, Education  
Roger Pfeuffer, Assistant Superintendent, Support Services  
Patricia Lopez, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, Northwest Region  
Marla Motove, Assistant Superintendent, Southwest Region  
Larry Williams, Assistant Superintendent, Northeast Region  
Lorrane McPherson, Assistant Superintendent, Central Services  
Joan Richardson, Executive Director, Human Resources  
Pat Beatty, Interim Executive Director, Financial Services  
Toni Cordova, Executive Director, Public Relations  
David Krueger, Ph.D., Executive Director, Accountability and Research  
Kelly Langford, Director, African American Studies  
Robert Wortman, Ph.D., Director, School Improvement  
Liz Whitaker, Director, Technology and Telecommunications Services  
Barbara Benton, Ed.D., Director, School Community Relations  
Linda Augenstein, Ed.D., Assistant Director, Comprehensive Health  
Jennifer Sprung, Sponsor, Student Advisory Council  
Bridget Auvenshine, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board  
Mary Alice Wallace, Senior Staff Assistant II  
Marilyn Freed, President, Tucson Education Association  
Patricia Martin, AFSCME  
Robert Hersch, Executive Director, Educational Leaders, Inc.  
Jan Lemmons, Moderator, School Community Partnership Council  
Eliot Burris, Co-Moderator, School Community Partnership Council  
Mary Pritchard, Health Assistant, Lawrence Intermediate School  
Hipolito Corella, *Arizona Daily Star*  
KGUN 9 Television Station

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REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 6:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

No action required.

Judy Burns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Because of the public interest in the Naming of Schools, Dr. McCorkle moved this agenda item to be considered first.

STUDY/ACTION ITEM

- 13. Naming of two new elementary schools scheduled to open for the 2002-2003 school year: School #498 – 36<sup>th</sup> & La Cholla, and School #499 – Bopp Road

Stan Paz and Roger Pfeuffer presented information to the Board.

Board members commenting were Mary Belle McCorkle and Rosalie López.

Stan Paz recommended naming School #498, Henry Oyama Elementary School, in honor Dr. Henry “Hank” Oyama.

Rosalie López moved approval, Joel Ireland seconded, approved unanimously.

Stan Paz recommended naming School #499, Laura N. Banks Elementary School, in honor of Dr. Laura Nobles Banks.

Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

No action required.

Dr. Paz recognized the following persons:

2002 Outstanding Senior Automotive Students and their Teachers selected by the Automotive Wholesalers of Arizona – Cholla High Magnet School – **Scott Widick**, student, and **David Molina**, teacher; Palo Verde High Magnet School – **Brian Wilson**, student, and **Bill Markley**, teacher; Rincon High School – **Jared Wilder**, student, and **Bill Yandell**, teacher; Sahuaro High School – **Mark**

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### AWARDS AND RECOGNITION (continued)

**Benton**, student, and **Ken Paulin**, teacher; Santa Rita High School – **Scott David Raymond**, student, and **Robert Saul**, teacher; Tucson High Magnet School – **Brandon Dickerson**, student, and **Ross Leggett**, teacher.

Winners of the Arizona Technology Education Alliance – **Joyce Geranis**, principal at Ford, as Administrator of the Year; and **Norman Purdy**, computer support and training specialist, as Technology Support Person of the Year.

Persons associated with February 28, 2002, crisis resulting from criminal incident during which a TUSD bus driver was shot – **Rufino Galla**, bus driver; **Nick Makres**, Transportation safety training coordinator; **Dr. Mario Piña**, chiropractor at C-1 Chiropractic, who stopped to render aid; Borton Primary Magnet School staff – **Marisa Leon**, teacher, **Graciela Ortiz** and **Cruz Forbes**, teaching assistants, **Rosa Escarcega**, community representative, and **Teri Melendez**, principal; School Safety Department District Coordinator **Warren Allison**, and officers **George Walls**, **Francisco Muñoz**, **David Vildusea**, **Celeste O’Neil**, **Tom Mulligan**, **Frank Valdez**, and **Bill Briamonte**; Counselor Crisis Team Members **Judy Bowers**, Guidance Coordinator, **Holly Colonna**, **Karen Ward**, **Lois Marecek**, **Teresa Archer**, **Kirsten Cook**, **Mary Beth Rodriguez**, **Julee Dodd**, **Pat Rendon**, **Felicia Morelos**, **Andy Burrola**, **Gerri Cass**, **Tanae Morrison**, **Naomi Obenauf**, and **Angela Robinson**; Associate Superintendent **Dr. Rebecca Montaña**.

Mary Belle McCorkle also recognized **Toni Cordova**, Executive Director of Public Relations, and Stan Paz added **Estella Zavala**, Communications Specialist, for their contributions during the crisis.

### CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No action required.

The following persons spoke:

Phil Brenfleck – Enrollment projections at Dunham Elementary  
Roger Pritzke – Roskruge attendance for siblings of current students, and attendance boundaries

Randy Palacio – support for Roskruge

Jill Verbridge – irregularities in the magnet lottery selection for Roskruge

Aida Madero, Roskruge teacher, with students: Erika Moreno – desire to continue education at Roskruge; Nicolette Gomez – read poem honoring Roskruge; and Casandra Robles – feelings about attending Roskruge

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### CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (continued)

Ricardo Gomez – concerns and support for Roskruge  
Marilyn Freed – *Challenge of Change Conference*, and changes in health insurance coverage  
Thomas Bloodsworth – Violations of teacher’s civil rights  
Ray Clarke – support for Superintendent and Sahuaro Principal  
Rev. Elwood McDowell – concerns regarding situation at Sahuaro  
Maceo Wells – support for Sahuaro Principal  
Clarence Boykins – concerns regarding situation at Sahuaro and support for Superintendent and Principal  
Julian Kunnie – racism in TUSD and Sahuaro High School  
Rickey Harvey – support for Sahuaro principal and student  
Dr. Charles Ford – support for Sahuaro principal and concerns about decreasing African American teachers and administrators in TUSD  
Dick McConnell – clarification regarding Sahuaro student and support for the principal  
Bob Vielledent – incorrect information regarding Sahuaro incident and support for the principal  
Julie Wanat – Booth Fickett MESA -- First place win in the state championship and concerns about funding equity and the future of the MESA Club

Board member Mary Belle McCorkle commented and deferred persons who submitted cards for the Call to the Audience and did not get to speak to the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Student Advisory Council (SAC) Report  
Joshua Lederman, Student Liaison to the Board, presented the Report.  
Information only.  
No action required.
2. School Community Partnership Council (SCPC) District Report  
Jan Lemmons presented information to the Board.  
Information only.  
No action required.  
Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Judy Burns, Mary Belle McCorkle and Carolyn Kemmeries.

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**INFORMATION ITEMS** (continued)

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| 3. | Report on the National Education Association Challenge of Change 2002 Conference, <i>“Leadership and the Human Side of School Change,”</i> March 15-19, 2002<br><br>Stan Paz, Patti Lopez and Mary Pritchard presented information to the Board.<br><br>Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Mary Belle McCorkle, Carolyn Kemmeries, Rosalie López, and Judy Burns. | Information only.<br>No action required. |
| 4. | Summary of Selected Financial Activity and Supplemental Information for the Eight Months Ending February 28, 2002<br><br>Stan Paz and Pat Beatty presented information to the Board.<br><br>Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Carolyn Kemmeries, Mary Belle McCorkle, and Rosalie López.   | Information only.<br>No action required. |

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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| 5. | a) New positions/replacements/reinstatements of certificated personnel for the 2001-2002 school year<br>b) New hires/replacements/reinstatements of classified personnel for the 2001-2002 school year<br>c) Contract changes for certificated personnel for the 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 school years<br>f) Salary changes for classified personnel for the 2001-2002 school year<br>g) Separations of certificated personnel for the 2001-2002 school year<br>h) Separations of classified personnel for the 2001-2002 school year<br>i) Requests for leave of absence and issuance of contracts for certificated personnel<br>j) Requests for leave of absence for classified personnel<br>k) Requests to change leave of absence<br>l) Requests for released time<br>m) Requests for released time and travel expenses | Judy Burns moved approval of Consent Agenda items 5 (a-c, f-s), Rosalie López seconded, approved unanimously. |
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**CONSENT AGENDA (continued)**

- n) Intergovernmental Agreement between Tucson Unified School District and the University of Arizona Health Science Center for Physician Consultative Services, with authorization for the Superintendent or his designee to sign the Agreement on behalf of the TUSD Governing Board
- o) Award of Bid No. 7015 – Paper Supply Items for TUSD Warehouse Stock 2002-2003, awarded to low bid or low bid combination (vendors tie two or more items together) to Corporate Express, Hamlet Paper Co., Lofgreen's, Inc., Pyramid School Products, Sanitary Supply Co., Savin Corporation, Spicers Paper Inc., Standard Stationery Supply Co., XPEDX, in the amount of \$422,164.65
- p) Exchange of Land with the City of Tucson at Holladay Intermediate Magnet School, with authorization for the Director of Engineering and Planning Services to execute a Quitclaim Deed required for the exchange
- q) Revised Road Right-of-Way easement to Pima County, Lawrence Elementary School, with authorization for the Director of Engineering and Planning Services to execute the revised easement
- r) Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meetings
  - 1) Special Meeting, March 12, 2002
  - 2) Regular Meeting, March 12, 2002
- s) Ratification of salary and non-salary vouchers for the period beginning March 5, 2002, and ending March 28, 2002.

Stan Paz recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

Rosalie López asked that items 5(d) and (e) be considered separately.

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**CONSENT AGENDA (continued)**

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| 5. | d) Temporary certified changes – temporary to regular contracts for 2002-2003 school year       | Rosalie López moved approval of Consent Agenda Items 5(d) and (e), Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously. |
|    | e) Temporary certified separations to receive a letter of non-renewal for 2002-2003 school year |  |
|    | Stan Paz presented information to the Board.<br><br>Board member Rosalie López asked questions. |  |

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| 6. | Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers   |  |
|    | Stan Paz recommended the transfer of Pam Clarridge, Principal of Miller Elementary School, to be Principal of Kellond Elementary School. | Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously.                          |
|    | Stan Paz recommended the transfer of Paul Felix, Director of Human Resources, to be Assistant Principal of Hohokam Middle School.        | Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.             |
| 7. | Proclamation of <i>Volunteer Appreciation Week</i> in Tucson Unified School District, April 21-27, 2002                                  | Joel Ireland read the proclamation as a motion to approve, Rosalie López seconded, approved unanimously. |
|    | Board member Mary Belle McCorkle commented.  |  |

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**ACTION ITEMS (continued)**

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| 8. Letters of Assurance for Members of the Tucson Education Association (TEA) Bargaining Unit for the 2002-2003 School Year<br><br>Stan Paz recommended approval. | Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously. |
| 9. Non-renewal of Certificated and Classified Staff<br><br>Stan Paz recommended non-renewal of the contract for certificated teacher Donald Mason.                | Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously. |

**SPECIAL MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – 8:40 p.m.**

**SPECIAL MEETING RECONVENED – 8:46 p.m.**

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| 9. Non-renewal of Certificated and Classified Staff (continued)<br><br>Stan Paz recommended non-renewal of the contract for certificated teacher Thomas Bloodsworth.<br><br>Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Judy Burns, Rosalie López, Carolyn Kemmeries, Joel Ireland and Mary Belle McCorkle. | Joel Ireland moved that the Governing Board direct the Superintendent to issue written notice of intention not to re-employ Thomas J. Bloodsworth for the 2002-2003 school year, Mary Belle McCorkle seconded. Motion failed 2-3. Rosalie López, Carolyn Kemmeries and Judy Burns voted no. |
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9. Non-renewal of Certificated and Classified Staff (continued)  
Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Joel Ireland, Mary Belle McCorkle, Judy Burns and Rosalie López.
- Judy Burns moved that the Governing Board direct the Superintendent to issue a contract to Thomas J. Bloodsworth for the 2002-2003 school year, Rosalie López seconded, approved 3-2. Joel Ireland and Mary Belle McCorkle voted no.
10. Statements of Charges and Resolution to Send Notice of Intent to Dismiss Certificated Teachers, and determine whether to appoint hearing officer to conduct teacher dismissal hearings pursuant to A.R.S. §15-541  
Stan Paz recommended the Board adopt the Statement of Charges for Marietta Wasson.  
Rosalie López read the motion as follows: *"I move to adopt the statement of charges and notice of intent to dismiss teacher Marietta Wasson at the expiration of 30 days. She will be placed on administrative leave pending the expiration of the 30 days. Should Ms. Wasson request a hearing, I move to designate a hearing officer to hold the hearing, hear the evidence, issue subpoenas, prepare a record and issue a recommendation to the Governing Board for action."*
- Rosalie López moved adoption, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, adopted unanimously.
11. TUSD v. Fidelity National Title Agency, Inc., Trustee under Trust No. 10,754, Pima County Superior Court Cause No. C20021471  
Stan Paz recommended the Board approve the motion provided.
- Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously.

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11. TUSD v. Fidelity National Title Agency, Inc., Trustee under Trust No. 10,754, Pima County Superior Court Cause No. C20021471 (continued)

Jane Butler provided information to the Board.

Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Rosalie López, Mary Belle McCorkle and Carolyn Kemmeries.

Rosalie López read the motion as follows: *"I move that the Governing Board authorize and direct district legal counsel to serve and prosecute the case known as TUSD v. Fidelity National Title Agency, Inc., as Trustee under Trust No. 10,754, Pima County Superior Court Cause No. C20021471. I further move that legal counsel's direction and authorization in the Fidelity National Title Agency, Inc., case shall continue in any appeal of that case and include the direction and authority to file any required notice of appeal in the filing of appellate briefs. I further move that the Board authorize the Board President to execute tolling agreement between TUSD and TEP."*

12. Settlement Agreement in Pima County Cause No. C20010291

Stan Paz recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

Rosalie López moved approval, Judy Burns seconded, approved unanimously.

**STUDY/ACTION ITEMS**

14. School Uniforms for Richey K-8 School Students, effective August 2002

Stan Paz presented information to the Board.

Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Mary Belle McCorkle and Carolyn Kemmeries.

Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously.

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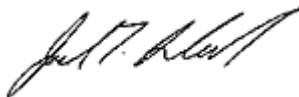
**STUDY/ACTION ITEMS** (continued)

- 15. Fisher-Mendoza 3% Variance Regulation  
 Stan Paz presented information to the Board and recommended approval.  
 Judy Burns moved approval contingent upon approval by the Court, Rosalie López seconded, approved unanimously.
  
- 16. Adoption of PacifiCare as a sole source health insurance carrier for Tucson Unified School District, effective July 1, 2002, and termination of Health Net effective June 30, 2002. Also, the termination of Blue Cross/Blue Shield as a TUSD dental provider effective June 30, 2002.  
 Stan Paz and Joan Richardson presented information to the Board. Stan Paz recommended approval.  
 Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Rosalie López, Mary Belle McCorkle and Carolyn Kemmeries, and Student Liaison to the Board Josh Lederman.  
 Rosalie López moved approval, Carolyn Kemmeries seconded, approved unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED – 9:10 P.M.

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ 14th \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ May \_\_\_\_\_, 2002.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By \_\_\_\_\_   
 Joel T. Ireland, Clerk  
 Governing Board

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