

MINUTES FOR SPECIAL BOARD MEETING (Tuesday, June 2, 2020)

Members present: Rachael Sedgwick, Bruce Burke, Leila Counts [Connected via Zoom at 5:05 p.m.], Adelita S. Grijalva and Kristel Ann Foster.

Meeting called to order at 5:01 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - 5:02 p.m.

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Board Member Attendance was established via a call for the roll. Those in attendance were Rachael Sedgwick, Bruce Burke, Adelita Grijalva and Kristel Foster. Leila Counts was not present for the roll call. Superintendent Dr. Gabriel Trujillo and Rob Ross were present for the roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Jimmy Hart, Director of African American Studies.

5:03 p.m. Moment of Personal Privilege

Before requesting a moment of silence, Kristel Foster commented. We are in the business of educating young people and are in the business of critical thinking and understanding, that's what we do as educators and young people who engage in our society to change our world and make it better. A lot of that has been going on this week. As we ask for a moment of silence for George Floyd who passed away this past week, as well as, Tyrone Johnson, a graduate from Pueblo High School, the class of 89 who graduated with one of our Board Members, Ms. Grijalva. He lost his life in a similar way in 1999. We have a lot to make better and with that, if I can ask for a moment of silence for these two and anyone who has died unjustly.

2. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Call to the Audience, Procedural: 2.1 Guidelines to Address the Board – 5:06 p.m.

Board President Kristel Foster announced that Bruce Burke would read the Call to the Audience protocol.

Bruce Burke 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 Michael Corals re: Class Size and Grading; Tuyen June Hannan re: Request a Review of a failing grade; Joel McDermott re: Response to Covid-19 Suggestions; Dolores de Vera re: Budget and Substitutes.

Board President Kristel Foster asked if Board Members wanted to respond to audience comments.

Bruce Burke commented that he is aware that there is a grade appeal process and has requested that someone from the district be in touch with Tuyen Hannan and her son Kyle Hannan about the issue she addressed. Dr. Trujillo responded my office takes that on with these types of issues with call to the audience and will make sure that his staff call the parent and inform her of the process and get them scheduled if necessary.

Adelita Grijalva requested clarification regarding the district having a Substitute Teacher Association as Ms. De Vera mentioned that she is a part of that association. Dr. Trujillo clarified that the district does not have that group or are in negotiations with or a part of it.

Kristel Foster commented regarding Mr. McDermott's message on Information Item 4.1. Her hopes for the plan is to offer classes online as well as in-person.

Board President Kristel Foster closed the CTA at 5:20 p.m.

3. STUDY/ACTION ITEM(S)

Study/Action: 3.1 Budget Study Session: Teacher Compensation SY 2020-2021 – 5:20 p.m.

Motion to approve authorization to allocate all projected revenue necessary to fund the 3rd year of the Governor's 20% by 2020 teacher compensation initiative, to a salary increase for the employees of TDR-A and TDR-B.

Resolution: Motion to allocate the projected revenue received by TUSD from the 3rd year of the Governor's 20% by 2020 teacher compensation initiative, estimated to be in the amount of \$6,837,337, to a salary increase for the employees of TDR-A and TDR-B, Occupational Therapists (OTs), Physical Therapists (PTs) and Speech and Language Pathologists (SLPs), with the specific distribution of the monies to be negotiated with the bargaining units.

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Rachael Sedgwick.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

Dr. Trujillo provided information and introduced Renee Weatherless who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Kristel Foster, Adelita Grijalva Bruce Burke, Rachael Sedgwick and Leila Counts. Dr. Trujillo provided additional information. Rob Ross provided legal advice and commented.

4. INFORMATION ITEM(S)

Information: 4.1 Arizona Department of Education Roadmap to Re-Opening: Overview – 6:21 p.m.

INFORMATION ONLY

Dr. Trujillo provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Kristel Foster and Adelita Grijalva. Rob Ross provided legal advice.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:53 p.m.

Due to the Coronavirus, meeting conducted via Zoom.

Kristel Ann Foster presided and called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Approved this 9 day of June, 2020.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By _____
Leila Counts, Clerk

Governing Board