

MINUTES FOR SPECIAL BOARD MEETING (Tuesday, June 22, 2021)

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

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

1. EXECUTIVE MEETING – 4:30 p.m.

Procedural: 1.1 Roll Call

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

Action: 1.2 Motion to Convene Executive Meeting

Motion to go into executive meeting at this time to consider the following matters:

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Ravi Grivois-Shah, Natalie Luna Rose and Leila Counts.

Not present at vote: Adelita Grijalva and Sadie Shaw.

Discussion: 1.3 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments and Transfers

Discussion: 1.4 Negotiations for the Purchase, Sale or Lease of Real Property

Discussion: 1.5 Negotiations with Employee Groups

Action: 1.6 Adjourn Executive Meeting and Reconvene Special Meeting

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Procedural: 2.1 Call to Order and Roll Call – 5:37 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 was present for the roll call. Rob Ross was present for the roll call.

Procedural: 2.2 Land Acknowledgement Statement – 5:37 p.m.

Jazmine Valenzuela Mesquita, 12th grader at Cholla High School, recited the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

Procedural: 2.3 Pledge of Allegiance – 5:38 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Emma Mendoza, 3rd grader at Tolson Elementary School.

Action: 2.4 Agenda Adjustments – 5:39 p.m.

No agenda adjustments requested.

3. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Information: 3.1 Awards and Recognitions – 5:40 p.m.

INFORMATION ONLY

Dr. Trujillo presented information.

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

4. BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

Information: 4.1 Board Member Activity Reports – 5:49 p.m.

INFORMATION ONLY

Board Members who reported activities were Natalie Luna Rose and Adelita Grijalva.

Natalie Luna Rose added that a great person in the community would be missed, Anne-Eve Pedersen. Mrs. Pedersen had recently passed away. She was a journalist and editor for the Tucson Citizen Newspaper and AZ Daily Star, a dedicated parent to education in the state, a strong supporter in the community, not only a Tucson native but a product of TUSD. Our condolences go to her husband, children, family and all those who will miss her dearly. Adelita Grijalva added that Mrs. Pedersen's advocacy was not only locally, but the state level also as well nationally has made a difference in the community. Ms. Grijalva requested a moment of silence.

5. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Call to the Audience, Procedural: 5.1 Guidelines to Address the Board – 5:54 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 Susan Neal re: Compensation for Bus Drivers; Kirsten Cummins re: Library Funding; Judi Moreillon re: School Librarians; Amy Soneira re: Optional Mask in School; Amber Norris re: Make Masks Optional; Mary and Matt Ruland re: Make Masks Optional; Cindy Winston re: Staffing Chart in the 2022 Budget Book or Presentation; Dawn Stevenson re: Make Masks Optional; Felicia Felix re: Make Mask Optional; Melissa Conroy re: Make Masks Optional; Rachael Velasquez re: Make Masks Optional; Lillian Fox re: Admin Appointment and Budget; Liliana Orozco re: Make Masks Optional.

Board President Leila Counts closed the CTA at 6:16 p.m.

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

Dr. Trujillo responded with information on the various topics that were read such as explaining the staffing ratios, Public Health Department and CDC, the candidacy for the Executive Director for Human Resources and probationary contracts. Also, at the July 13, 2021 Regular Board meeting, there will be an item regarding the continuation of students and staff wearing face masks for the new school year.

Adelita Grijalva responded to the comments regarding the importance of continuing to wear masks, provided the percentage of vaccinated people in the 220 square miles of the district and the new variant that is affecting people. Natalie Luna Rose piggybacked to Ms. Grijalva's comments and added to be open to optional masks.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent): 6.1 Approval of Consent Agenda Items 6.2 Through 6.9 – 6:25 p.m.

Dr. Trujillo recommends approval of the Consent Agenda items 6.2 through 6.9.

Resolution: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6.2, 6.4-6.6 and 6.9.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

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.

Action (Consent): 6.2 Approval of Dual Credit Course BIO156IN Intro Biology Allied Health for Grades 11-12

Motion to approve Dual Credit Course BIO156IN Intro Biology Allied Health for Grades 11-12 as presented.

Resolution: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6.2, 6.4-6.6 and 6.9.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

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.

Action (Consent): 6.4 Approval to Award a Contract for Invitation for Bid (IFB) 22-23-23 Frozen and Perishable Foods

Motion for approval to award a contract for IFB 22-23-23, for Frozen and Perishable Foods, in support of the National School Lunch/Food Services Programs.

Resolution: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6.2, 6.4-6.6 and 6.9.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

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.

Action (Consent): 6.5 Approval of the TUSD Principal Evaluation Instrument for SY 21-22

Motion to approve the proposed Evaluation Rubric and Scoring System effective for the 2022-2023 School Year with the 2021-2022 School Year serving as a transition year wherein the proposed Evaluation Rubric will be utilized using the 2020-2021(current) Scoring System.

Resolution: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6.2, 6.4-6.6 and 6.9.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

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.

Action (Consent): 6.6 Approval of the Revised Extracurricular Activities Fees Schedule Including Authorization for Principals to Waive Fees in Case of Hardship – Last Approved on June 23, 2020

Motion to Approve the Revised Extracurricular Activity Fee Schedule as submitted.

Resolution: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6.2, 6.4-6.6 and 6.9.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

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.

Action (Consent), Minutes: 6.9 Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meeting – June 8, 2021

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting for June 8, 2021.

Resolution: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6.2, 6.4-6.6 and 6.9.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

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.

Action: 6.3 Amendment IV to the Lease Agreement with the Higher Ground Resource Center at Wakefield, with Authorization for the Operations Program Manager to Execute the Agreement – 6:26 p.m.

Motion to approve Amendment IV to the lease agreement with the Higher Ground Resource Center at Wakefield, with Authorization for the Operations Program Manager to execute the agreement.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Adelita Grijalva.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Adelita Grijalva, Natalie Luna Rose, Sadie Shaw and Leila Counts.

Abstain: Ravi Grivois-Shah

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information.

Action: 6.7 Reauthorization of Change Funds FY2021-2022 – 6:27 p.m.

Motion to Approve the Reauthorization of District Change Funds for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Action: 6.8 Reauthorization of TUSD Accounts FY2021-2022 – 6:28 p.m.

Motion to Approve the Reauthorization of TUSD Accounts for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Dr. Trujillo requested to pull items 6.3, 6.7 and 6.8 to address it individually.

Items 6.7 and 6.8 were voted as one.

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

Renee Weatherless provided information.

7. ACTION ITEM(S)

Action: 7.1 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments, and Transfers – Executive Director, Human Resources – 6:30 p.m.

Motion to approve the selected candidate to serve as the Executive Director of Human Resources.

Dr. Trujillo recommended approval of Renee Heusser.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

Ms. Renee Heusser commented and thanked the Board and Dr. Trujillo for the opportunity. Leila Counts commented.

Action: 7.2 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments, and Transfers – Interim Director, School Safety – 6:32 p.m.

Motion to approve the selected candidate to serve as the Interim Director of School Safety.

Dr. Trujillo recommended approval of David Vildusea as the Interim Director of School Safety to extend the appointment for the first month of the 2021-2022 School Year.

Motion by Leila Counts, second by Ravi Grivois-Shah.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

Mr. David Vildusea commented and thanked the Board and Dr. Trujillo for the opportunity. Adelita Grijalva, Leila Counts and Natalie Luna Rose commented.

Action: 7.3 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments, and Transfers – Interim Director, Social Emotional Learning & Development – 6:34 p.m.

Motion to approve the selected candidate to serve as the Interim Director of Social Emotional Learning & Development.

Dr. Trujillo recommended approval of Catherine Comstock as the Interim Director of Social Emotional Learning and Development for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

Ms. Catherine Comstock commented and thanked the Board and Dr. Trujillo for the opportunity. Leila Counts and Adelita Grijalva commented.

Action: 7.4 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments, and Transfers – Interim Principal, Robison Elementary School – 6:35 p.m.

Motion to approve the selected candidate to serve as the Interim Principal of Robison Elementary School.

Dr. Trujillo recommended approval of Kristy Esquerra as the Interim Principal for Robison Elementary School for the 2021-2022 School Year.

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.

Ms. Kristy Esquerra commented and thanked the Board and Dr. Trujillo for the opportunity. Also, thanked Santa Rita's previous and current Principal James Palacio and Tamara Ray and for Regional Assistant Superintendent Holly Lemman Hammel for the wonderful support,

knowledge and encouragement that they have provided. Leila Counts and Adelita Grijalva commented.

Action: 7.5 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments, and Transfers – Interim Assistant Principal, Santa Rita High School – 6:37 p.m.

Motion to approve the selected candidate to serve as the Interim Assistant Principal of Santa Rita High School.

Dr. Trujillo recommended approval of Rosalinda Rodriguez as the Interim Assistant Principal for Santa Rita High School for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

Ms. Rosalinda Rodriguez commented and thanked the Board and Dr. Trujillo for the opportunity. Leila Counts and Adelita Grijalva commented.

Action: 7.6 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments, and Transfers – Assistant Principal, Mansfeld Middle Magnet School – 6:39 p.m.

Motion to approve the selected candidate to serve as the Assistant Principal of Mansfeld Middle Magnet School.

Dr. Trujillo recommended approval of Sara Sultan.

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.

Ms. Sara Sultan commented and thanked the Board and Dr. Trujillo for the opportunity. Leila Counts and Adelita Grijalva commented. Dr. Trujillo congratulated Ms. Sultan.

Action: 7.7 Administrative Appointments, Reassignments, and Transfers – Assistant Principal, Mary Belle McCorkle Academy of Excellence K-8 6:40 p.m.

Motion to approve the direct appointment of the Assistant Principal of Mary Belle McCorkle Academy of Excellence K-8.

Dr. Trujillo recommended approval of Venessa Renée Morales.

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.

Leila Counts commented.

Action: 7.8 Approval for Use of Cooperative Contracts for Online Supplemental Curriculum Materials Renewal/Support Services for FY21-22 – 6:42 p.m.

Motion to approve using Cooperative Contracts for single purchases over \$250K per transaction for Online Supplemental Curriculum Materials Renewal/Support Services for FY21-22.

Motion by Leila Counts, 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 Diana Kerfoot and Heidi Aranda who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Sadie Shaw and Ravi Grivois-Shah. Dr. Trujillo provided additional information.

Action: 7.9 Funding for Pre-School Playground Structures and Shade – 7:00 p.m.
Motion to approve funding for pre-school playground structures and shade.

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 Reem Kievit who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Jeff Sheppard, Play It Safe Playgrounds, provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Natalie Luna Rose, Leila Counts and Sadie Shaw.

Action: 7.10 Approval of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Tucson Unified School District Proposed Annual Expenditure Budget – 7:12 p.m.

Motion to Approve the FY2021-2022 Tucson Unified School District Proposed Annual Expenditure Budget.

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 Renee Weatherless who provided information and responded to Board Member inquiries. Board Members commenting and/or asking questions were Adelita Grijalva, Ravi Grivois-Shah and Leila Counts. Dr. Trujillo provided additional information.

Action: 7.11 Review, approve and adopt the revised 2021-2022 Employee Agreement for Non-Bargaining Employees – 7:39 p.m.

Motion to review, approve and adopt the revised 2021-2022 Employee Agreement for Non-Bargaining Employees.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Natalie Luna Rose.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

Not Present at Vote: Leila Counts

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Maricela Meza who provided information.

Action: 7.12 Review, approve and adopt the revised 2021-2022 Meet and Confer Agreement for ELI Administrators, Psychologists and Research Project Managers – 7:41 p.m.

Motion to review, approve and adopt the revised 2021-2022 Meet and Confer Agreement for ELI Administrators, Psychologists and Research Project Managers.

Motion by Leila Counts, 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 Maricela Meza who provided information.

Action: 7.13 Extend TUSD/TEA Consensus Agreement (Consensus) through August 31, 2021. Per Article 34 of Consensus, the Agreement is automatically extended for 45 days provided the parties negotiated in good faith – 7:42 p.m.
Motion to extend the TUSD/TEA Consensus Agreement (Consensus) through August 31, 2021.

Motion by Ravi Grivois-Shah, second by Leila Counts.

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 Maricela Meza who provided information. Adelita Grijalva commented.

Action: 7.14 Extend TUSD/TEA White Collar and Food Service Agreement (WC/FS) through August 31, 2021. Per Article 26 of the WC/FS, the Agreement is automatically extended for 45 days provided the parties negotiated in good faith. – 7:45 p.m.

Motion to extend the TUSD/TEA White Collar and Food Service Agreement (WC/FS) through August 31, 2021.

Motion by Adelita Grijalva, second by Leila Counts.

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 Maricela Meza who provided information.

8. STUDY/ACTION ITEM(S)

Study/Action: 8.1 Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) Priorities – Requested by Board Member, Dr. Ravi Grivois-Shah – 7:46 p.m.

Motion to approve and assign budgetary priorities for the 2022-2023 school year to the Budgetary Advisory Committee (BAC).

Motion by Natalie Luna Rose, second by Leila Counts.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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

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

9. INFORMATION ITEM(S)

Information: 9.1 FY21 Expenditure Update – May 2021 – 8:18 p.m. INFORMATION ONLY

Dr. Trujillo provided brief information and introduced Renee Weatherless who provided information.

10. FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEM(S)

Procedural: 10.1 Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Item(s) – 8:24 p.m.

No agenda items requested.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Procedural: 11.1 Adjourn Meeting – 8:24 p.m.

Due to the Coronavirus, meeting conducted via Zoom.
Leila Counts presided and called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
Meeting recessed to Executive Session at 4:30 p.m.
Meeting reconvened at 5:37 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Approved this 13 day of July 2021.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By _____
Sadie Shaw, Clerk