MINUTES

Present:
Joel T. Ireland, President
Judy Burns, Clerk
Bruce Burke, Member
Adelita Grijalva, Member

Not Present:
Mary Belle McCorkle, Ed.D., Member

Also Present:
Roger Pfeuffer, Interim Superintendent
Bridget Auvenshine, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Nancy Woll, Compliance Officer
Cheryl Kellum, Secretary

Members of the Independent Citizens Committee:
Albert Soto, Chair
Lorraine Aguilar
Nellie Suarez
Roy Baker
Georgia Brousseau
Evelyn Yanagihashi
Frieda Baker
Joanne Thompson
Annabelle Nunez
Arcadio Gastelum
Sylvia Campoy

Others:
David Cherry, Presenter; TUSD Administrator, Retired
Maree Sneed, Presenter; Attorney, Hogan and Hartson, Washington, D.C.
Devon Mauney, School Board Candidate
Amanda Confer (audience)
John O’Dowd (audience)
Claire O’Dowd (audience)
Mary Schiltz (audience)
Ray Davies (audience)
Mike Tully (audience)
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SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 8:26 a.m. | Discussion only. No action required nor taken.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Joint Meeting with Independent Citizens’ Committee

1. Welcome and Introductions

   Joel Ireland called the meeting to order and stated that this was a joint meeting of the Governing Board and the Independent Citizens’ Committee (ICC).

   Albert Soto welcomed everyone. Everyone present introduced themselves. Mr. Soto turned the meeting over to David Cherry to facilitate the program.

2. History of Independent Citizens’ Committee

   * History of the court stipulation – what variables came into play?
   * Creation of the ICC – purpose and responsibilities
   * Overview of amendments to the court stipulation
   * Overview of actions/accomplishments of the ICC

   David Cherry provided information on the history of the stipulation of settlement, creation of the ICC and related events.

   Board member Judy Burns commented.

3. Unitary Status

   * Definition and overview
   * Current environment of Unitary Status in school districts throughout the U.S.
     - Examples of districts that went from deseg to Unitary Status
     - Process and tools used to reach this decision
ITEM ACTION

DISCUSSION ITEMS (continued)

3. Unitary Status (continued)

* TUSD
  - Where is the district with this?
  - What factors are use to determine Unitary Status for TUSD?
  - How is funding affected?

* ICC
  - What happens after Unitary Status is declared?

Maree Sneed provided information on unitary status – the history and national and local cases, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

Persons commenting and/or asking questions were Georgia Brousseau, Sylvia Campoy, Judy Burns, Nellie Suarez, David Cherry, Roger Pfeuffer, Lorraine Aguilar, Roy Baker, Joel Ireland, Bruce Burke, Albert Soto, Joanne Thompson and Adelita Grijalva.

SPECIAL MEETING ADJOURNED – 12:20 p.m.

Approved this 9th day of November, 2004.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE
By

Judy Burns, Clerk, Governing Board

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