

**Tucson Unified School District No. 1
Governing Board Regular Meeting
Board Room, Morrow Education Center
1010 East Tenth Street
Tucson, Arizona 85719**

**September 8, 2009
6:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Judy Burns, President
Mark Stegeman, Clerk
Bruce Burke, Member
Miguel Cuevas, Member
Adelita S. Grijalva, Member

Also Present:

Elizabeth Celania-Fagen, Ed.D., Superintendent
Bonnie Betz, Chief Financial Officer
Jay Johnston, Chief Operations Officer, Engineering, Facilities and Planning
Rob Ross, Legal Counsel
Nancy Woll, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer
Maggie Shafer, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary Schools
James Fish, Assistant Superintendent, Middle Schools
Edith Macklin-Isquierdo, Assistant Superintendent, High Schools
Lupita Garcia, Assistant Superintendent, Government Programs & Community Outreach
Chandra Givens, Chief Negotiator and Labor Relations Director, Employee Relations
David Scott, Director, Accountability and Research
Brian MacMaster, Director, Technology
Kathy Prather, Director, Career and Technical Education
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Sylvia Lovegreen, Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board
Luci Messing, President, Tucson Education Association
Marivel Roybal, Vice President, Tucson Education Association
Eleanor Fowler, Board Liaison, School Community Partnership Council

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REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 6:39 p.m.

No action required.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bruce Burke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No action required.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

No action required.

Liz Fagen reported on the latest action by the Governor related to education funding and TUSD’s opportunity to participate in a pilot National Assessment of Educational Progress nationwide test.

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BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

No action required.

Adelita Grijalva reported on her visit to Pistor Middle School during President Obama's address to students.

Miguel Cuevas shared his recent experiences visiting TUSD schools.

Judy Burns commented on President Obama's speech to the students.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No action required.

The following are names of individuals who spoke and the subject of their comments:

Charmaine Hill – Support for Larry McKee as Interim Principal at Booth-Fickett School;

Kaye Abell – Support for Larry McKee as Interim Principal at Booth-Fickett School;

Brett Martyn-Dow – Support for Larry McKee as Interim Principal at Booth-Fickett School;

Joann Thompson – Appointment of a director for the African American Studies Department;

James Roberts – Support for Larry McKee as Interim Principal at Booth-Fickett School;

Kathy Schultz – Retention bonus;

Luci Messing – Extension of employee agreements and educational funding at the state level.

Bruce Burke and Adelita Grijalva commented.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. School Community Partnership Council (SCPC) Report

Information only.
No action required.

Eleanor Fowler reported on the plans for the upcoming SCPC orientation meeting to be held at Catalina Magnet High School on September 21, 2009. Judy Burns commented.

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INFORMATION ITEMS (continued)

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| 2. | Arizona School Facilities Board (SFB) – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Energy Grant Application | Information only.
No action required. |
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Following introductory remarks by Liz Fagen, Jay Johnston presented information on proposals for project applications and responded to comments and questions from Judy Burns and Adelita Grijalva.

CONSENT AGENDA

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| 3. | a) Salaried new hires
b) Hourly new hires
c) New hires for Food Services Department
d) Salaried changes
e) Hourly changes
f) Salary changes for Food Services Department
g) Salaried separations
h) Hourly separations
i) Separations for Food Services Department
j) Requests for leave of absence for certified personnel
k) Requests for leave of absence for classified personnel
l) Reauthorization of Auxiliary Revolving Funds for High Schools for FY 2009-2010
m) Authorization of Electronic Payments Clearing Account for FY 2009-1020
n) Funding Proposal: Arizona Department of Education – 2010 Math Science Partnership Grant Award (Year 2) to provide professional development to K-3 teachers, effective August 31, 2009, with authorization for the TUSD Contracts Manager to execute any agreements/contracts necessary
o) Agreement between Central Arizona College Dietetic Education Program and Tucson Unified School District Food Services for Clinical Practicum and/or Internship/Externship Educational Experience, January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2013, with authorization for the TUSD Food Services Director to execute the agreement | Bruce Burke moved approval of Consent Agenda Items No. 3 (a-o), (r), and (t-z); Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously. |
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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 3. r) Intergovernmental Agreement between Pima County Juvenile Court Center, the Arizona Board of Regents on behalf of the University of Arizona, and Tucson Unified School District for Juvenile Data Exchange (Amendment #2), July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010
- t) Award of Bid No. 09-155-09 – Fort Lowell Elementary School – upgrades and renovations (bond), awarded to Vermillion Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$573,000.00 which includes the Base bid, Alternate Bid No. 5 and a 10% contingency
- u) Award of Bid No. 10-48-10 – Henry Elementary School – upgrades and renovations (bond), awarded to Giles Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$390,000.00 which includes the Base Bid, Alternate Bid Nos. 1 through 5 and a 10% contingency
- v) Award of Food Services Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 10SB – Special Buys, awarded to Global foods, Inc., Good Source Solutions, LA Foods and United Commodity Group in the amount of \$500,000.00
- w) Plans and specifications for Brichta Elementary School – upgrades and renovations, with authorization to advertise for sealed bids (bond)
- x) Plans and specifications for Cragin Elementary School – upgrades and renovations, with authorization to advertise for sealed bids (bond)
- y) Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meetings
 - 1) Special Board Meeting, March 24, 2009
 - 2) Special Board Meeting, April 28, 2009
 - 3) Special Board Meeting, April 30, 2009
 - 4) Special Board Meeting, May 5, 2009
- z) Ratification of salary and non-salary vouchers for the period beginning August 1, 2009, and ending August 31, 2009

Mark Stegeman requested Consent Agenda Items No. 3 (p), (q) and (s) be considered separately.

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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

3. p) Intergovernmental Agreement between Tucson Unified School District and Maricopa County Community College on behalf of Mesa Community College as Regional Academy to extend the Cisco Networking Academy Program for the 2009-2010 SY, with authorization for the Superintendent to execute the agreement (Palo Verde Magnet, Rincon, Sahuaro, and Tucson High Magnet Schools)
- q) Intergovernmental Agreement between Tucson Unified School District and Maricopa County Community College on behalf of Mesa Community College as Regional Academy to extend the Cisco Networking Academy Program (Information Technology IT Essentials I and II Programming) for the 2009-2010 SY, with authorization for the Superintendent to execute the agreement (Palo Verde Magnet, Pueblo Magnet, Rincon, Sahuaro and Tucson High Magnet Schools)

Mark Stegeman moved approval of Consent Agenda Items No. 3 (p) and (q); Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

In response to comments from Mark Stegeman, Kathy Prather presented additional information.

- s) Memorandum of Understanding between Tucson Youth Development, Inc., and Tucson Unified School District to continue School Plus Jobs Program, effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 (Cholla Magnet, Pueblo Magnet, Santa Rita and Tucson High Magnet Schools)

Mark Stegeman moved approval of Consent Agenda Item No. 3(s); Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mark Stegeman commented briefly.

ACTION ITEMS

4. Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers – Director, Native American Studies

Bruce Burke moved approval; Mark Stegeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Liz Fagen provided an overview of the personnel process that was followed and recommended Roxanne Begay-James. Adelita Grijalva and Judy Burns commented.

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

5. Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers – Director, Pan Asian Studies
- Liz Fagen recommended Maria Hooker. Miguel Cuevas commented briefly.
6. Appointment of new member to the Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Audit Committee
- Mark Stegeman recommended Deborah Corcoran for a four-year term. Miguel Cuevas and Rob Ross commented.
7. Reappointment of Members to the Tucson Unified School District Bond Fiscal Oversight Committee (BFOC)
- Liz Fagen and Jay Johnston responded to comments and questions from Miguel Cuevas and Judy Burns. Vanessa Garrison and Earl Mendenhall were reappointed for four-year terms.

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-1. Miguel Cuevas voted no.

Mark Stegeman moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.

Bruce Burke moved approval; Mark Stegeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

STUDY ITEM

8. Governing Board Policy Code No. JE – *Student Attendance*, with review of its Administrative Regulation JE-R (revision)

Studied only. No action taken.

Miguel Cuevas provided an overview of the process for the recommended revisions to this policy. Liz Fagen, Mark Stegeman, Judy Burns and Bruce Burke commented.

STUDY/ACTION ITEM

9. Revision of the Bylaws for the Tucson Unified School District Bond Fiscal Oversight Committee (BFOC)
- Liz Fagen introduced the item and Mark Stegeman requested correction of a typographical error under Section 9, paragraph 9.3.

Mark Stegeman moved approval; Miguel Cuevas seconded. Approved unanimously.

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS


With so many staff changes this year, Adelita Grijalva requested information related to (1) any changes in direction in the different departments; (2) goals for this next year and (3) anticipated impact on student achievement.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED – 7:38 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of December, 2009.

TUCSON UNIFIED

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By 

Mark Stegeman, Clerk
Governing Board

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