

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

**November 15, 2011
5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:**

Miguel Cuevas, President
Adelita S. Grijalva, Member
Michael Hicks, Member
Mark Stegeman, Member

****A vacancy on the Board was created when Judy Burns, Clerk, died on October 27, 2011**

Also Present :

John Pedicone, Ph.D., Superintendent
Martha Durkin, Lead Legal Counsel
Cara Rene, Director of Communications/Media Relations
Augustine Romero, Director, Student Equity
Shannon Roberts, Employee Relations Coordinator
School Safety Officers
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Sylvia Lovegreen, Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board
Alexis Huicochea, *Arizona Daily Star*
TV Channel 4

SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 5:40 P.M.

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ACTION ITEMS

1. Pima County School Superintendent's Community Advisory Committee for the Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Vacancy

Miguel Cuevas made introductory comments and asked Sylvia Lovegreen to read the motion related to the vacancy which was approved by the Board at its November 8, 2011 meeting.

Mr. Cuevas read the names put forward by board members: Steve Holmes, community member, submitted by Adelita Grijalva; Michele Harbour, teacher, submitted by Mark Stegeman; Charles Weisel, business leader, submitted by Michael Hicks; and Tola Barker, parent, submitted by Miguel Cuevas. Mark Stegeman noted a spelling correction in one of the names.

Miguel Cuevas stated that board members had each submitted an additional name for consideration for a fifth committee member and an alternate.

Adelita Grijalva commented on the importance of the Community Committee being as diverse as the TUSD community. She then provided a brief background and recommendation for Roxanne Begay-James.

Mark Stegeman spoke on behalf of his nominee, Juan Ciscomani, and provided background information on his qualifications.

Michael Hicks provided information on his proposed candidate, Johnny Renfro, and the basis for recommending her.

Miguel Cuevas presented the background and qualifications for his recommendation, Colleen Niccum.

Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman, Miguel Cuevas and Michael Hicks engaged in additional discussion about who the fifth committee member should be. Martha Durkin provided legal advice.

Michael Hicks moved to submit the four names as read; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

Adelita Grijalva moved to appoint Roxanne Begay-James as the fifth member; motion died for lack of a second.

Mark Stegeman moved to appoint Juan Ciscomani as the fifth member; Michael Hicks seconded. Motion failed 2-2; Adelita Grijalva and Miguel Cuevas voted no.

Miguel Cuevas moved to appoint Colleen Niccum as the fifth member; however, he withdrew his motion when a second was not forthcoming.

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

1. Pima County School Superintendent's Community Advisory Committee for the Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Vacancy (cont.)

Following the withdrawal of Mr. Cuevas' motion, Board members continued to discuss the additional members for the Community Committee.

SPECIAL MEETING RECESSED – 6:07 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING RECONVENED – 6:18 P.M.

ACTION ITEMS (continued)

1. Pima County School Superintendent's Community Advisory Committee for the Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Vacancy (cont.)

Upon returning to the meeting following the recess, Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman, Miguel Cuevas and Michael Hicks continued the discussion, trying to determine the fifth member and alternate for the Community Committee. Martha Durkin provided legal advice.

Adelita Grijalva moved to submit all four names to the Pima County School Superintendent and allow her to choose the fifth member and alternate; Michael Hicks seconded. Motion failed 2-2. Mark Stegeman and Miguel Cuevas voted no

Mark Stegeman, Miguel Cuevas, Adelita Grijalva and Michael Hicks continued the lengthy discussion to determine the fifth committee member and an alternate. Martha Durkin offered legal advice.

Michael Hicks moved to suspend *Robert's Rules*; Mark Stegeman seconded. Motion passed 3-1. Miguel Cuevas voted no.

Mark Stegeman made a motion that the Governing Board resolves that it attempted to satisfy the County School Superintendent's request but remains irresolute on the fifth member and alternate and thus is forwarding the four names proposed by board members for her consideration for appointment to the Committee as she sees fit: Johnny Renfro, Juan Ciscomani, Colleen Niccum and Roxanne Begay-James.

Mark Stegeman moved approval as outlined in his motion; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Motion passed 3-1. Miguel Cuevas voted no.

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

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| 1. | Pima County School Superintendent's Community Advisory Committee for the Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Vacancy (cont.) | Michael Hicks moved to reinstate <i>Robert's Rules</i> ; Mark Stegeman seconded. Approved unanimously. |
| 2. | Schedule an executive meeting at this time to consider the following matters – | Michael Hicks moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously. |
| A. | Legal advice/instruction to attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsections (A)(3) and (A)(4); negotiations pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsections (A)(5) | |
| | 1) Discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the Governing Board in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations with employee organizations | |

SPECIAL MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:41 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING RECONVENED AND ADJOURNED
– 8:27 p.m.

Approved this 12th day of June, 2012.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE



By _____
Michael Hicks, Clerk
Governing Board