

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

**December 9, 2008
6:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Alex Rodriguez, President
Adelita S. Grijalva, Clerk
Bruce Burke, Member
Judy Burns, Member
Joel T. Ireland, Member

Also Present:

Elizabeth Celania-Fagen, Ed.D., Superintendent
Beatriz Rendon, Chief Business Officer, Educational Support Services
Rudy Flores, Chief Operations Officer, Engineering, Facilities and Planning
Rob Ross, Legal Counsel
Nancy Woll, Legal Counsel
Dea Salter, Chief Academic Officer – Team 1
James Fish, Chief Academic Officer – Team 4
Steve Holmes, Chief Academic Officer – Team 5
Ross Sheard, Chief Academic Officer – Team 6
Susan Wybraniec, Executive Director, Human Resources
Lorrane McPherson, Executive Director, Grants Management and Resource Development
Lorraine St. Germain, Executive Director, Exceptional Education
Chyrl Lander, Director, Communication and Media Relations
Bonnie Betz, Director, Financial Services
David Scott, Director, Accountability and Research
Elizabeth Moll, Director, Professional Learning
Brian MacMaster, Director, Technology Services
Chandra Givens, Chief Negotiator and Employee Relations Director
Jane Mullins, Assistant Director, Exceptional Education
Tom Mulligan, Director, Transportation (Acting)
Bryant Nodine, District Planner
Mark Miller, Miller Institute for Learning with Technology
Wes Harrimon, Member, Westside Educational Facilities Strategic Plan Task Force
Lori Stratton, Member, Westside Educational Facilities Strategic Plan Task Force
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Sylvia Lovegreen, Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board
Michele Gutierrez, Senior Staff Assistant I to the Governing Board
Steve Courter, President, Tucson Education Association
Pernela Jones, Executive Director, Tucson Education Association
Bruce Slabaugh, AFSCME
Eleanor Fowler, School Community Partnership Council
Rhonda Bodfield, Arizona Daily Star
TV Channel 13

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

No action required.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Joel Ireland led the Pledge of Allegiance. He recited it in Latin and then in English.

No action required.

Alex Rodriguez asked everyone to join him in a moment of silent recognition of the death of Kenneth Paulen who served TUSD for 33 years as a middle and high school Industrial Arts and Vocational Education teacher.

No action required.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

No action required.

Liz Fagen expressed appreciation for Alex Rodriguez's and Joel Ireland's service as members of the TUSD Governing Board.

BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

No action required.

Judy Burns commented on the Board retreat this past weekend regarding the Coherent Governance Model.

Joel Ireland congratulated Jeff Scurran and the Santa Rita High School team who played the Notre Dame Saints. He also commented on his 20 years of service as a member of the Governing Board.

Adelita Grijalva expressed appreciation to Mr. Ireland for his service. She then presented Alex Rodriguez with a gavel in honor of his service as President of the Board for 2008.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No action required.

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

Mary Belle McCorkle – future overrides;

Bruce Slabaugh – thanks to Alex Rodriguez and Joel Ireland for their services as board members; concerns about Blue Collar issues;

Mark Stegeman – property swap;

Comelia Goyathlay – concerns about child's education.

Alex Rodriguez commented.

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INFORMATION ITEMS

1. School Community Partnership Council (SCPC) Report
Information only.
No action required.
In the absence of Marcy Briggs, SCPC Moderator, Eleanor Fowler presented the SCPC Report.
2. Life Skills Suspension Program
Information only.
No action required.
Jim Fish and Jane Mullins presented information and responded to questions and comments from Board Member Adelita Grijalva.
3. OCR-LAU Case Update
Information only.
No action required.
Steve Holmes provided an update and responded to inquiries from board members. Adelita Grijalva, Judy Burns, and Alex Rodriguez commented and/or asked questions.
4. Technology Update
Information only.
No action required.
Brian MacMaster presented information to the Board. Judy Burns commented.
5. Presentation on FY 2009 Budget Status and Update on FY 2010 Budget Development
Information only.
No action required.
Liz Fagen, Beatriz Rendon and Rudy Flores presented information and responded to comments and questions from Judy Burns, Alex Rodriguez, Adelita Grijalva, and Bruce Burke.
6. Summary of Districtwide Gifts and Donations and Student Activity Funds for the Five Months Ending November 30, 2008
Information only.
No action required.
In response to comments and questions from Adelita Grijalva and Alex Rodriguez, Liz Fagen and Beatriz Rendon provided information.

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CONSENT AGENDA

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| 7. | 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 certificated personnel
k) Requests for leave of absence for classified personnel
l) Requests for leave of absence for Food Services Department
m) Amended 2009-2010 Academic School Calendar
n) Authorization for Governing Board Member(s) to travel to the National School Boards Association Federal Relations Network Conference, Washington, D.C., January 30-February 4, 2009
o) Easement Agreement with Southwest Gas at Safford Magnet Middle School, with authorization for the District Planner to execute the Easement
p) Award of Construction Contract – Renovation of girls varsity locker rooms, Sahuaro, Santa Rita and Sabino High Schools (bond) to the previously selected Construction Manager at Risk, Lloyd Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$1,686,000.00 which is based on the GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) of \$1,604,632.82 plus a 5% contingency fund
q) Award of Construction Contract – Canopy enclosure at the existing gyms, Sahuaro, Santa Rita and Sabino High Schools (bond) to the previously selected Construction Manager at Risk, Lloyd Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$1,659,000.00 which is based on the GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) of \$1,578,602.00 plus a 5% contingency fund
r) Plans and specifications, upgrades and renovations, Gridley Middle School, with authorization to advertise for sealed bids (bond) | Joel Ireland moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously. |
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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 7. s) Plans and specifications, classroom additions, Grijalva, Maldonado and Miller Elementary Schools, with authorization to advertise for sealed bids (bond)
- t) Ratification of salary and non-salary vouchers for the period beginning November 1, 2008, and ending November 30, 2008
- u) Statement of Charges and Resolution to Send Notice of Intent to Dismiss Certificated Teacher, and determine whether to appoint hearing officer to conduct teacher dismissal hearing pursuant to A.R.S. §15-541

ACTION ITEMS

- 8. Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers – Risk Management Director
Liz Fagen recommended Joseph (Jay) Johnston.
Judy Burns moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.
- 9. Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers – Staff Attorney
Liz Fagen recommended Michael Areinoff.
Bruce Burke moved approval; Judy Burns seconded. Approved unanimously.
- 10. 2009-2010 Employee Retention Bonus
Liz Fagen recommended approval. Judy Burns, Alex Rodriguez and Joel Ireland commented.
Judy Burns moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

STUDY/ACTION ITEMS

- 11. School Bus advertising – Arizona Nutrition Network
Liz Fagen provided introductory information. Rudy Flores responded to comments from Bruce Burke.
Bruce Burke moved approval; Joel Ireland seconded. Approved 4-1; Judy Burns voted no.

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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (continued)

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| <p>12. School Bus Advertising – Basha’s and Food City</p> <p>Liz Fagen and Rudy Flores provided information and responded to questions and comments from Adelita Grijalva and Alex Rodriguez.</p> | <p>Bruce Burke moved approval; Joel Ireland seconded. Approved 4-1; Judy Burns voted no.</p> |
| <p>13. Funding for the E-Rate Applicant Share for Priority 1 Telecom Services for 2009-2010</p> <p>Liz Fagen, Brian MacMaster, Lorraine McPherson and Mark Miller presented information and responded to questions and comments from Judy Burns and Adelita Grijalva.</p> | <p>Joel Ireland moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 3-1. Judy Burns voted no; Alex Rodriguez was not present for the vote.</p> |
| <p>14. Funding for the E-Rate Applicant Share for Existing Wide Area Network (WAN) Services for 2009-2010</p> <p>Liz Fagen recommended approval.</p> | <p>Joel Ireland moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 3-1. Judy Burns voted no; Alex Rodriguez was not present for the vote.</p> |
| <p>15. Award of Internet Access to Cox Arizona Telecom, LLC</p> <p>Liz Fagen recommended approval. In response to comments and questions from Judy Burns, Lorraine McPherson and Brian MacMaster provided additional information.</p> | <p>Joel Ireland moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 3-1. Judy Burns voted no; Alex Rodriguez was not present for the vote.</p> |
| <p>16. Funding for the E-Rate Applicant Share for Internet Services as Priority 1 Telecom 2009-2010</p> <p>Liz Fagen recommended approval. Brian MacMaster responded to a question from Judy Burns.</p> | <p>Joel Ireland moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 3-1. Judy Burns voted no; Alex Rodriguez was not present for the vote.</p> |

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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (continued)

17. Funding for the E-Rate Applicant Share for Basic Maintenance for Nortel Equipment for 2009-2010

Liz Fagen recommended approval. In response to a comment from Judy Burns, Lorraine McPherson provided additional information.

Joel Ireland moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 3-1. Judy Burns voted no; Alex Rodriguez not present for the vote.

18. Recommendations of the Westside Educational Facilities Plan Task Force for a Southwest School Site Land Trade Agreement, with authorization for the District Planner to execute the agreement

Liz Fagen, Rudy Flores and Bryant Nodine presented information via PowerPoint. During a lengthy discussion about the Task Force recommendations, Alex Rodriguez, Adelita Grijalva, Judy Burns, Wes Harrimon, Lori Stratton, Joel Ireland, Bruce Burke and Dea Salter commented.

Joel Ireland moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-1; Judy Burns voted no.

STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (GOVERNING BOARD POLICIES)

Approved policies may be viewed on the District web page – www.tusd1.org

19. Annual Review of Policy Code No. KF – *Community Use of School Facilities*, and its Administrative Regulation Code KF-R and Exhibit KF-E

Following brief comments by Rudy Flores, Adelita Grijalva and Alex Rodriguez commented.

Judy Burns moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-1; Adelita Grijalva voted no.

20. Policy Code No. IKF – *Graduation Requirements* (revision)

Liz Fagen presented information on the recommended revisions and responded to comments and questions from Judy Burns, Joel Ireland and Alex Rodriguez.

Judy Burns moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 3-2. Joel Ireland and Alex Rodriguez voted no.

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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (GOVERNING BOARD POLICIES)
(continued)

21. Policy Code No. EEAFB – *School Bus Advertising* and its Administrative Regulation Code EEAFB-R (revision)

Rudy Flores commented briefly on the recommended revisions. Alex Rodriguez and Adelita Grijalva commented.

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-1; Judy Burns voted no.

22. Process to Appoint Replacement Members to the Governing Board Audit Committee


Alex Rodriguez made introductory comments. It was mentioned that the last process consisted of posting openings on the TUSD web page and requesting that interested individuals apply. The Board screened the applications and appointments to the Committee were made in a public meeting.

Judy Burns moved to use the same process as last time; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED – 11:05 p.m.

Approved this 12th day of June, 2009.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By 

Mark Stegeman, Clerk
Governing Board

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