

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

**December 30, 2010
4:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Judy Burns, President
Miguel Cuevas, Clerk
Bruce Burke, Member
Adelita S. Grijalva, Member
Mark Stegeman, Member [arrived at 4:18 p.m.]

Also Present:

John Pedicone, Ph.D., Superintendent
Sam Brown, Legal Counsel
Edith Macklin-Isquierdo, Assistant Superintendent, High Schools
Jimmy Hart, Director, African American Studies
Sean Arce, Director, Mexican American Studies
Roxanne Begay-James, Director, Native American Studies
Margaret Pasquet, Director, Pan Asian Studies
Augustine Romero, Director, Equity
Candy Egbert, Interim Chief Operations Officer
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Sylvia Lovegreen, Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board
TV Channels 6, 9, and 11
Tucson Citizen

SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 4:11 p.m.

ITEM

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ACTION ITEMS

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| <p>1. Schedule an executive meeting at this time to consider the following matters –</p> <p>A. Legal advice/instruction to attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsections (A)(3) and (A)(4)</p> <p>1) HB 2281</p> <p>2) Post Unitary Status Plan</p> <p>3) Outside Legal Counsel</p> | <p>Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 3-0. Mark Stegeman was not present for the vote.</p> |
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SPECIAL MEETING RECESSED – 4:12 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING RECONVENED– 5:06 p.m.

ACTION ITEM

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| <p>2. Resolution to Implement Ethnic Studies in Tucson Unified School District in Accordance with All Applicable Laws</p> | <p>Adelita moved to adopt the Resolution as read, Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.</p> |
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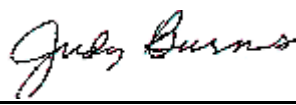
Adelita Grijalva read the attached Resolution, which was adopted and made part of these Minutes.

Judy Burns commented on sending the Resolution to the Policies Subcommittee to be developed into Policy.

SPECIAL MEETING ADJOURNED – 5:09 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of March, 2011.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By 
 Judy Burns, Clerk
 Governing Board

Resolution to Implement Ethnic Studies in Tucson Unified School District in Accordance with All Applicable Laws

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD:

WHEREAS, the Governing Board recognizes the benefits to our students from the Ethnic Studies programs that have been implemented throughout the District, and it is the view of the Governing Board that these programs shall be implemented in accordance with all applicable laws, and

WHEREAS, as applicable and appropriate to the program of instruction in any course or class, all students in the District shall be taught to treat and value each other as individuals and shall be taught to respect all races or classes of people, and

WHEREAS, the District shall not include in its program of instruction any courses or classes that include any of the following:

1. Promote the overthrow of the United States government;
2. Promote resentment toward a race or class of people;
3. Are designed primarily for pupils of a particular ethnic group; and
4. Advocate ethnic solidarity instead of the treatment of pupils as individuals.

WHEREAS, this resolution shall not be construed to restrict or prohibit:

1. Courses or classes for Native American pupils that are required to comply with federal law;
2. The grouping of pupils according to academic performance, including capability in the English language, that may result in a disparate impact by ethnicity;
3. Courses or classes that include the history of any ethnic group and that are open to all students, unless the course or class violates A.R.S. 15-112 subsection A;
4. Courses or classes that include the discussion of controversial aspects of history.

WHEREAS, nothing in this resolution shall be construed to restrict or prohibit the instruction of the Holocaust, any other instance of genocide, or the historical oppression of a particular group of people based on ethnicity, race, or class;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Governing Board hereby directs that all District employees shall comply with the foregoing resolution and with all applicable laws, and further directs the District's Superintendent to ensure such compliance by all District employees.

Adopted this 30th day of December, 2010.

Tucson Unified School District Governing Board

Judy Burns, President

Miguel Cuevas, Clerk

Bruce Burke, Member

Dr. Mark Stegeman, Member

Adelita S. Grijalva, Member