



## TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEETING OF: January 29, 2013

TITLE: School Consolidation Plan Update

ITEM #: 3

Information: X

Study:

Action:

### PURPOSE:

Update the Governing Board on the status of the School Consolidation Plan.

### DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

TUSD is facing a \$17 million budget deficit in the 2013-2014 school year. To balance the budget, substantial cuts must be made throughout the district. To partially meet the obligation, the TUSD Governing Board has voted to close eleven (11) specified schools and to consolidate students and teaching staff in remaining schools. The School Consolidation project is required to ensure effective and smooth consolidation and transitions.

During the Governing Board meeting, the School Consolidation Plan, its structured project management and management team, will be described. The School Consolidation Plan includes all aspects of closing identified schools and consolidating schools and spaces within receiving and remaining schools to increase and equitably distribute services and resources for each and every student; increase energy efficiencies, and reduce operating costs. In order to achieve success on the Consolidation Plan, the following objectives, which mutually support the milestones and deliverables for this project, must be met within the designated time and budget allocations. Additional objectives and requirements will be added as necessary as the project moves forward.

- Approval of school closures and consolidations by the Desegregation Court
- Facility enhancements as needed in schools receiving students and programs
- Student placements and enrollment process supports family choice and student needs
- Move and account for all assets and resources including records, furniture, equipment, technology, supplies, textbooks, libraries, etc. from closing schools to receiving locations
- Consolidation of academic programs and services for increased, equitable access to resources and learning opportunities
- Consolidation within schools to increase efficiency and reduce operation expenses
- Securing and/or disposition of closed buildings while affording, as much as practical, continued community access to grounds
- Reconfiguring of school boundaries to balance utilization, maximize access (minimize transportation costs) and secure approval of the Desegregation Court
- Assistance with psychological transition from closing and receiving schools to consolidated and unified schools
- Personnel changes required as a result of school consolidation and budget cuts
- Transportation changes in support of new school configurations
- Reconfigured/modified school organization and structures, utilities, telecommunications systems, and technology devices to equitably support academic programs and operations
- Salvage and storage of surplus equipment and fixtures
- Disposition of excess furniture, equipment, books, etc. from closed schools
- Regular communication about the implementation of the Consolidated Plan to the schools, parents, and the community

The School Consolidation Plan will directly affect Superintendent Goals of achievement, enrollment, transportation, customer service, desegregation and the School Master Plan.

Vivian "Candy" Egbert will be present to answer questions.

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BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

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LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:

For all Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs), Initiator of Agenda Item provides the name of the agency responsible for recording the Agreement after approval:

For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA recording number:

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Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)

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BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

\_\_\_\_\_ District Budget  
\_\_\_\_\_ State/Federal Funds  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other  
Budget Cost      Budget Code

Budget Certification (for use by Office of Financial Services only):

Date  
I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$ are available and may be:  
Authorized from current year budget  
Authorized with School Board approval  
Code:    Fund:

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INITIATOR(S):

Vivian "Candy" Egbert, Chief Operations Officer	01/18/13
Name	Date

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