

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD  
AGENDA FOR SPECIAL MEETING\*

TIME: February 21, 2017  
4:30 p.m.

PLACE: Multipurpose Room  
Duffy Community Center  
5145 East Fifth Street  
Tucson, Arizona

In Attendance: Board Members Michael Hicks, President; Mark Stegeman, Clerk; Kristel Ann Foster, Adelita S. Grijalva, and Rachael Sedgwick; Superintendent H.T. Sánchez, Ed.D.; and General Counsel Todd Jaeger. The complete attendance record is attached.

Details regarding presentations and discussions are available via agenda items and the audio and video recordings posted on the Governing Board page on the TUSD Internet at [www.tusd1.org](http://www.tusd1.org).

4:30 p.m. CALL MEETING TO ORDER – 4:37 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Designate External Counsel for Matters Related to the Superintendent's Contract and Employment – Requested by Board Clerk Mark Stegeman  
**APPROVED THE RUSING, LOPEZ AND LIZARDI LAW FIRM.** Motion: Stegeman; Seconded: Sedgwick. Passed Unanimously (Voice Vote).  
  
**APPROVED A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE THE GUST ROSENFELD LAW FIRM.** Motion: Grijalva; Seconded: Sedgwick. Passed Unanimously (Voice Vote).
2. Schedule an executive meeting at this time to consider the following matters:  
**APPROVED.** Motion: Foster; Seconded: Stegeman. Passed Unanimously (Voice Vote).
  - A. Personnel issues pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1); legal advice/instruction to attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(4) – Requested by Board Member Rachael Sedgwick and Board Clerk Mark Stegeman
    - 1) Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer
    - 2) Discussion of consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body
    - 3) Discussion or consultation with the attorneys of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the public body's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, or pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation
      - a) Superintendent

ACTION ITEM

MOTION AND VOTE TO RECESS SPECIAL MEETING TO EXECUTIVE SESSION **SPECIAL MEETING RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE**

RECESS SPECIAL MEETING TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

ACTION ITEM

MOTION AND VOTE TO RECESS EXECUTIVE MEETING AND RECONVENE MEETING – approx. 5:30 p.m.

**7:44 p.m. – Reconvene Special Board Meeting**

Multipurpose Room  
Duffy Community Center  
5145 E. Fifth Street

5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE **Led by Board President Michael Hicks**

**Board President Michael Hicks announced that Spanish Interpreter Services were available and the Spanish Interpreter Lionor Gomez repeated the announcement in Spanish.**

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (20 min) AUDIENCE *(Pursuant to Governing Board Policy No. BDAA, at the conclusion of the Call to the Audience, the Governing Board President will ask if individual members wish to respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Board, wish to ask staff to review a matter, or wish to ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. No more than one board member may address each criticism.)*

**The Board Clerk read the protocol for CTA. Persons who spoke at Call to the Audience were: Francisca Lopez and Cesar Martinez re: Support for Superintendent; Manuela Vilches re: Support for Superintendent, education and students; Lisa Barnes re: District leadership; Richard Hernandez; Fire Superintendent; Luci Messing re: Governing Board procedures and protocol.**

**Board President asked for motion to extend the Call to the Audience.**

**APPROVED TO EXTEND THE CTA FOR 20 MINUTES.** Motion: Stegeman; Seconded: Foster. Passed 4-1 (Voice Vote). Board President Michael Hicks voted no.

**Prior to final motion and vote, Rachael Sedgwick moved to extend the CTA for the next 10 people on the CTA list. Motion died for lack of a second. Adelita Grijalva made a subsequent motion to extend the CTA until all individuals who had submitted a CTA speaker card. Motion: Grijalva; Seconded: Foster. Vote was not taken.**

**Speakers were: Lillian Fox re: Prop 301, lies and Superintendent's contract; Betts Putnam-Hidalgo re: Students, parents and TUSD; Bruce Dusenberry re: Superintendent Performance Issues; Pilar Ruiz re: Code of Conduct.**

Board President asked for a motion to extend the Call to the Audience.  
**APPROVED TO EXTEND THE CTA TO ALLOW THE TWO INDIVIDUALS' WHO HAD BEEN CALLED TO SPEAK.** Motion: Grijalva; Seconded: Segeman.  
Passed Unanimously (Voice Vote).

Speakers were: Herschella Horton re: Education; and Michael Varney re: Superintendent performance issues.

Prior to final motion and vote, Adelita Grijalva moved to extend the CTA until all individuals who submitted a CTA card are called. Motion: Grijalva; Seconded: Foster. Failed 2-3 (Roll Call Vote). Rachael Sedgwick, Mark Stegeman and Michael Hicks voted no.

Board President Michael Hicks asked if Board members wanted to respond to Call to the Audience.

Adelita Grijalva commented to remarks made by Lillian Fox regarding Prop 301 money; Mark Stegeman commented to remarks made by Luci Messing regarding “his agenda”, and opinion on re-thinking superintendent hiring process; and rebuke of criticism of Ms. Sedgwick by Herschella Horton; Rachael Sedgwick commented regarding comments by Pilar Ruiz made about the Code of Conduct; and, Board President Michael Hicks commented regarding comments made about the number of superintendents the district has had in comparison to the number of City Managers in the same period.

Todd Jaeger provided legal advice.

### ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion/consideration/action re employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer – Requested by Board Member Rachael Sedgwick and Board Clerk Mark Stegeman **Following some clarifying comments by Mark Stegeman regarding this agenda item, Board President Michael Hicks announced that this item is being postponed for one week so that Governing Board Legal Counsel can proceed as directed in executive session.**
4. Schedule Future Governing Board Meetings **NO ACTION TAKEN.** Dr. Sánchez introduced the item. Board members commenting and/or asking questions concerning a Budget study session were Rachael Sedgwick, Adelita Grijalva, Kristel Foster, Mark Stegeman and Michael Hicks. Todd Jaeger provided legal advice. Board staff will survey Board members regarding a date for the study session.

### STUDY/ACTION ITEM

5. Appoint a Board Committee to Develop Anonymous Community Satisfaction Survey – Requested by Board Member Rachael Sedgwick **NOT APPROVED**. Rachael Sedgwick made a motion to appoint a board committee to develop an anonymous community satisfaction survey at next week's Board meeting. Motion: Sedgwick. Motion died for lack of a second. Rachael Sedgwick made a subsequent motion to agree that the Board is going to appoint a Board Committee to develop an anonymous community satisfaction survey at next week's Board meeting. Motion: Rachael Sedgwick; Seconded: Stegeman. Prior to a roll call, a subsequent motion was made by Rachael Sedgwick to bring back this item at next week's Board meeting to appoint a committee to develop anonymous community satisfaction survey. Motion: Sedgwick; Seconded: Stegeman. Motion failed 2-2 (Roll Call Vote). Adelita Grijalva and Michael Hicks voted no. Kristel Foster was not present to vote. Dr. Sánchez commented and responded to Board inquiry. As agenda item initiator, Rachael Sedgwick provided a clarifying statement regarding this item and responded to Board inquiries. Board members commenting and/or asking questions were Kristel Foster, Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman and Michael Hicks.

10:00 P.M.      **ADJOURNED SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – 9:11 P.M.**

### ADJOURNMENT

- One or more Governing Board members will/may participate by telephonic or video communications.
- Names and details, including available support documents, may be obtained during regular business hours at the TUSD Governing Board Office.
- Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Translations/Interpretations Services at 225-4672. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation.
- Upon request, TUSD will provide a certified interpreter to interpret Governing Board meetings whenever possible. Please contact Translations/Interpretations Services at 225-4672 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Every effort will be made to honor requests for interpretation services made with less than 72 hours' notice.
- Previa petición, TUSD proporcionará un intérprete certificado para interpretar la agenda de las reuniones de la Mesa Directiva o de proporcionar los servicios de interpretación en la reuniones de la Mesa Directiva cuando sea posible. Favor de contactar los Servicios de Traducción/Interpretación al teléfono 225-4672 cuando menos 72 horas antes del evento. Se hará todo lo posible para proporcionar los servicios de interpretación realizados con menos de 72 horas de anticipación.
- If authorized by a majority vote of the members of the Governing Board, any matter on the open meeting agenda may be discussed in executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice thereon, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(3). The executive session will be held immediately after the vote and will not be open to the public.
- The order of items on this agenda may be modified during the meeting at the discretion of the Board President or upon a motion to amend the order of business which is approved by a 2/3 vote of the Board.

Record of Attendance

Present:	Michael Hicks Mark Stegeman Kristel Ann Foster Adelita S. Grijalva Rachael Sedgwick	President Clerk Member Member Member
Also Present Senior Leadership:	H. T. Sánchez, Ed.D. Todd Jaeger Karen Kopec, Ed.D. Abel Morado, Ed.D. Mark Alvarez  Gabriel Trujillo, Ed.D.  Karla G. Soto Stuart Duncan  Scott Morrison  Anna Maiden	Superintendent General Counsel Deputy Superintendent, Teaching and Learning Assistant Superintendent, Secondary Leadership Interim Assistant Superintendent, Elementary/ K-8 Leadership Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction Chief Financial Officer, Financial Services Chief Operations Officer, Engineering, Facilities and Planning Chief Information Officer, Technology and Telecommunications Services Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources
Administrative Staff:	Michelle Tong Sam Brown Richard Foster Halley Freitas  Renee Weatherless Jeffrey Coleman + Staff Dan Erickson Maria Federico Brummer Matt Munger Michael Konrad Kathleen Scheppe Shirley McKechnie-Sokol Stephanie Boe Janna Acevedo Martha Taylor	Legal Counsel Legal Counsel Senior Director, Curriculum Development Senior Director, Assessment and Program Evaluation Director, Finance Director, School Safety Director, Advanced learning Experience (ALE) Director, Mexican American Student Services Director, Secondary Leadership Director, Secondary Leadership Director, Elementary/K-8 Leadership Director, Food Services Director, Communications/Media Relations Director, Magnet Department Interim Director, Desegregation
Support Staff:	Mary Alice Wallace Sylvia L. Lovegreen Michele Gutierrez Nicholas Roman Michelle Valenzuela Mary Canty  Miguel Carrion	Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board Senior Staff Assistant I to the Governing Board Administrative Assistant, Superintendent's Office Coordinator, Communications & Media Outreach District Video Producer, Communications & Media Outreach Video Technician, Communications/Media Relations

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	Adam Whitney	Technical Support Specialist II, Technology Services
	Luis Orantes	Coordinator, Meaningful Access
	Lionor Gomez	Spanish Interpreter
	Jose Medina	Spanish Interpreter
Employee Group Representatives:	Jason Freed	President, Tucson Education Association
	Linda Hatfield	President, Communication Workers of America (CWA)
	Jacqueline DuPont	Vice President, Communications Workers of America (CWA)
Board Committees:	Trinidad Tester	Secretary, School Community Partnership Council
	Kristen Bury	Board Liaison, School Community Partnership Council
Media:	Yoohyun Jung	<u>Arizona Daily Star</u>
		TV Channel(s) 4, 9, 11/13, AZ Public Media, Tucson Weekly, Tucson Sentinel

There were approximately 175+ people in the audience.

Michael Hicks presided and called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 4:41 p.m. and reconvened at 7:44 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Stegeman, Clerk  
Governing Board