June 8, 2017 Community Forums

- 1. Honesty/integrity
- 2. Transparency/open
- 3. Engaging (involved in the schools
- 4. Diverse/urban background
- 5. Strong background in curriculum and instruction
- 6. Doer not a talker
- 7. Focus on excellent education for all students
- 8. Visionary
- 9. Practical
- 10. Put on Big Boy/Big Girl pants
- 11. Good fiscal manager
- 12. Knowledge/experience in desegregation
- 13. Educator, not a business person
- 14. Sensitivity to the separation of church and state
- 15. Open communication with all stakeholders and building relationships with stakeholders
- 16. Experience with K-8 and exceptional ed
- 17. Be able to eliminate incompetent teachers
- 18. Be well-versed in current best practices for instruction (guide on side is better than sage on the stage)
- 19. Building common expectations for parents, teachers and administrators
- 20. Support restorative discipline while maintaining a safe classroom and school environment
- 21. Create a plan for equitable instruction (especially science and ELL and follow through with action)
- 22. Inquiry focused learning/instruction
- 23. Support effective PD for staff
- 24. Understanding of school and district finances
- 25. Be willing to look at district systems (i.e. finance) and streamline as much as possible
- 26. Most money possible in the classroom and look critically at administrative positions
- 27. Understand that science can be the theme for teaching all subject areas
- 28. Distribution of science materials district wide from a central warehouse is critical to equitable science education
- 29. Understanding and support and implement a PD plan to support teacher learning
- 30. Integrity and ethics
- 31. Ability to collaborate with all stakeholders and create/maintain a positive climate
- 32. Effective communication-two way
- 33. Educator
- 34. Someone familiar with Tucson/TUSD challenges (similar demographic)
- 35. Understands deseg/willing to move through the process
- 36. Advocate for student learning
- 37. Values community partnerships including SCPC and faith based
- 38. Experience with large diverse, under-served district
- 39. Advocates for legislative change and empowerment
- 40. Program accountability and analyzing our data

- 41. Values, listens to parent input (inclusive of stakeholders
- 42. SWOT Analysis
- 43. Demonstrated ability to motivate others and promote a positive work culture
- 44. Upper level management
- 45. Experience with School Governing Board
- 46. Decision making timeline-how do you effectively/strategically work with developing a decision making timeline in conjunction with the Board in consideration of stakeholders
- 47. Visionary/future thinker
- 48. Conflict-resolution and able to deescalate situations
- 49. 21sst century learning
- 50. Concern for student achievement/lifelong learning
- 51. Approachable
- 52. Visible in community and school sites
- 53. Background in finance/capital/facilities improvement plan
- 54. Open to criticism
- 55. Planner
- 56. Transparent
- 57. Organizational management
- 58. Instructional leader
- 59. Effective communicator
- 60. Lear vision for the district
- 61. Be a good manager
- 62. Good listener
- 63. Flexible
- 64. Not afraid to take risks or maker commitments
- 65. Solution oriented
- 66. Spanish or another language speaker
- 67. Knowledgeable grounded rooted in the community
- 68. Specialized experience leadership (i.e. District CO Springs-CEO of operations, CEO Teaching and Learning, CEO Finance)
- 69. Collaborative skills
- 70. Open to learning and change
- 71. Visible leader. Out in field
- 72. Effective communicator
- 73. District employee accountability (listen investigate take action)
- 74. Someone from the area (Tucson/S. AZ/Phoenix)-culture and environment
- 75. Proven excellent record of education/teaching
- 76. Smart/caring/heart-especially kids
- 77. Agent of change-change culture, curriculum, organization (overhead)
- 78. Able to respond to different constituencies, students' parents tusd staff, governing board legislature –collaborative/cooperative
- 79. Has innovative ideas
- 80. Implements social/emotional learning experiences-character education
- 81. Address discipline problem

- 82. Willing to upset established organizations relationships
- 83. Tenacity with all constituencies
- 84. Able to prioritize among the many needs
- 85. Focus has to be on education (children and teachers)
- 86. Supports teachers discipline concerns/needs
- 87. Build and utilize internal talent at all levels rather than hire consultants
- 88. Professional development for teachers a priority
- 89. Quality PD by the district and created with staff at schools
- 90. Budget must reflect the value TUSD has on the classroom
- 91. District administration staff must be available to serve schools on a regular basis
- 92. Willing to undo the retaliatory culture that has been created
- 93. Implement/learn innovative programs at all levels-classrooms must go beyond the 4 walls
- 94. Successful experience implementing effective discipline practices (i.e. restorative)
- 95. Plan to keep and recruit qualified teachers
- 96. Effectively implement an exit interview with all employees
- 97. Background screening should include a credit report
- 98. Will work actively to bring board together
- 99. Minimum of 3 years successful experience as a principal at a school at any level
- 100. Transparent budget presentations, process for the board and community
- 101. With school site councils (legitimate and authentic)
- 102. Understands school system infrastructures and work to build a legitimate infrastructure
- 103. Minimum of 3 years successful experience at school at any level
- 104. Superintendent certification
- 105. Honest
- 106. Proven follow through with initiatives
- 107. Experience at least at the superintendent level
- 108. Diplomatic peacemaker/collaborator
- 109. Experience working with strong teacher unions
- 110. Interest in working with community colleges, universities, and business
- 111. Understands desegregation with an understanding of the constitution, civil rights, equal protections for all students
- 112. Systemic approach where central administration exists to serve the schools
- 113. Respects and encourages programs at schools and develops leadership
- 114. Treat all board members equally and respectfully
- 115. Recognize the need for community engagement in each community
- 116. Proven record of raising student achievement and other success indicators
- 117. Recognizes and understands that the schools are their place of work, at the office ... is visible at schools on a regular basis
- 118. Aware of the political reality that exists in TUSD and Tucson
- 119. Understands the complexities of working under a deseg order
- 120. Desire and skill set to engage with stakeholders, such as legislators, staff, p0arents and the governing board
- 121. Provide the community with opportunities to engage with the district
- 122. Willing to trust professional judgement of classroom teachers

- 123. Willingness to trust professional judgement of classroom teachers
- 124. Willingness to continue addressing discipline issues with PBIS, MTSS and restorative practices, as well as bring new ideas and concepts to the district
- 125. Proactively continue salary increases
- 126. Make sure lines of communication remain open
- 127. Ethics-transparency, honesty kids 1st respect. No nepotism
- 128. Budget oversight/execution/knowledge
- 129. Former experience
- 130. Concerned/willing/desire to listen and engage with all stakeholders including parents
- 131. Background check-portfolio provide past evaluations
- 132. Doesn't create bonuses, positions or outsource without board approval
- 133. Fear free work place-commit to
- 134. Provide enough time to discuss an review budget
- 135. Hold staff accountable to job description, ethics, and job performance. Discipline when warranted
- 136. Designate a person in charge of responding to stakeholders
- 137. Move more money into classrooms and out of 1010
- 138. Evidence of student progress on student achievement
- 139. Works well with others
- 140. Team builder
- 141. Will/can work with board
- 142. Diplomatic skills in working with others
- 143. No out sourcing
- 144. Deseg experience and belief in it
- 145. Experience in integrating schools and how did you do it
- 146. Study the USP and tell us how you are determined to implement it and how you will do
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- 147. Commitment to Tucson and Public Ed-longevity
- 148. Cultural sensitivity in TUSD and city
- 149. Examples of how you built past institution
- 150. Experience with balancing restorative practices and teaching rights under today's conditions
- 151. How will you address school to prison pipeline
- 152. How do you balance discipline vs. zero tolerance vs restorative practices
- 153. Professional in public and private
- 154. Resiliency-ability to build positive climate and culture in district, build consensus
- 155. Classroom experience
- 156. Fiscal responsibility
- 157. Integrity
- 158. Cultural responsiveness
- 159. Commitment (sticks around)
- 160. Superintendent experience
- 161. Successful in a large, diverse district
- 162. Knowledge of TUSD history and needs

- 163. Courage in convictions
- 164. 21st Century skills motivation-preparing kids for global economy /jobs
- 165. Student centered and kid focused
- 166. Site based equity
- 167. Advocate for teachers/teacher recruitment

Interviews and emails

- 1. Firm position on discipline
- 2. Support teachers
- 3. Safe classrooms
- 4. Local and vested in the community
- 5. Effectively coordinate administration
- 6. Financial acumen to understand funding model and prioritize
- 7. Rebuild trust with the public
- 8. Do right thing for students
- 9. Invest time rebuilding trust with stakeholders
- 10. System to mentor and support teachers
- 11. Balance between district expectations and school site autonomy
- 12. Dedicated to student achievement and working with all employees
- 13. Work effectively with the Board
- 14. Stable leadership-Board needs to understand constant turnover not healthy for district
- 15. Visible in schools
- 16. Creates leadership team founded on trust and transparency
- 17. Integrity
- 18. Honest/transparent
- 19. Challenge status quo and implement change
- 20. Read/understand the USP
- 21. Stay above the politics of the Board and not take sides
- 22. Children's interest first
- 23. Innovative creative in strategies to increase enrollment
- 24. Private industry experience
- 25. Hold staff accountable
- 26. Develop plan with goals
- 27. Allow principals to lead their schools
- 28. Provide Board leadership to reduce political infighting and micro-managing
- 29. Allow principals flexibility
- 30. Transparent
- 31. Return calls/emails
- 32. Visible
- 33. Expert skills and knowledge in Arizona school finance
- 34. Understands complexity of TUSD
- 35. Ability to change culture
- 36. Assertive-ability to help Board understand and follow their role and responsibilities

- 37. Innovative
- 38. Set and maintain high standards
- 39. Connector-ability to connect with community
- 40. Apolitical-stiff spine
- 41. Ability to set boundaries with Board
- 42. High expectations
- 43. Longevity
- 44. Culture builder