

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

**March 13, 2012
5:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Mark Stegeman, President
Michael Hicks, Clerk
Miguel Cuevas, Member – arrived @5:23 p.m.
Adelita S. Grijalva, Member – arrived @5:15 p.m.
Alexandre Borges Sugiyama, Ph.D., Member
Carolina Baker, Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC)

Also Present:

John Pedicone, Ph.D., Superintendent
Maria Menconi, Ed.D., Interim Deputy Superintendent
Yousef Awwad, Chief Financial Officer
Pamela Palmo, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer
John Gay, Chief Information Officer
Candy Egbert, Chief Operations Officer
Martha Durkin, Lead Legal Counsel
Maggie Shafer, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary School Leadership
Jim Fish, Assistant Superintendent, Middle School Leadership
Abel Morado, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Leadership
David Scott, Director, Accountability and Research
Marcus Jones, Director, Bonds
Cara Rene, Director, Communications/Media Relations
Leon George, Director, Purchasing
Richard Gastellum, Interim Principal, Tucson High Magnet School
Jeffrey Coleman, Director, School Safety, and Staff
Charles McCollum, Sponsor, Superintendent's Student Advisory Council
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Sylvia Lovegreen, Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board
Frances Banales, President, Tucson Education Association
Leo Masursky, Board Liaison, School Community Partnership Council
Steve Courter, 301 Plan Committee Member
Judy Rogers, Steering Committee, TUSD K-8 Mathematics Curriculum
Connie Lewis, Steering Committee, TUSD K-8 Mathematics Curriculum
Samantha Klein, Steering Committee, TUSD K-8 Mathematics Curriculum
Mary Bouley, Project Consultant, English Language Arts Committee, K12 English Language Arts Curriculum
Carol Cimino, English Language Arts Committee, K-12 English Language Arts Curriculum
Michelle Merrick, English Language Arts Committee, K-12 English Language Arts Curriculum
Kathryn Chavez, English Language Arts Committee, K-12 English Language Arts Curriculum
Kathi Shaw, English Language Arts Committee, K-12 English Language Arts Curriculum
Martha Taylor, Principal, Doolen Middle School
Kit Manley-Crockett, Principal, Pistor Middle School

Also Present (continued):

Robert Vinyard, Jr., Principal, Vail Middle School
Martin Guillen, THMS Student
Diana Vasquez, THMS Teacher
Denise Trimble-Smith, THMS Teacher
Margaret Wilch, THMS Teacher
Stephen Trejo, Principal, CE Rose Elementary School
Malia Trejo, Spouse
Tiffany Trejo, Daughter
Mary Lou Velasquez, CE Rose Elementary School PACE Teacher
Gerry Mendez, CE Rose Elementary School PACE Teacher
Mary Rodriguez, CE Rose Elementary School Kinder Teacher
Nichole Handford, CE Rose Elementary School Kinder Teacher
Mai Ly, CE Rose Elementary School Kinder Teacher
Sam Luna, CE Rose Elementary School 6th Grade Teacher
Marcia Wolf, CE Rose Elementary School Instructional Coach
Kim Daniel, CE Rose Elementary School Psychologist
Alexis Huicochea, Arizona Daily Star
TV Channel 9

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REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 5:07 p.m.

No action required.

ACTION ITEM

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| 1. Schedule an executive meeting at this time to consider the following matters:

A. Student matters pursuant to A.R.S. §§15-342, 15-521, and 15-843; A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(2) (consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection); legal advice/instruction to attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsections (A)(3) and (A)(4)
1) Determine whether to schedule student disciplinary hearings and authorize use of hearing officers

B. Discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsection (A)(7)
1) School Sites Update on Agreements
2) Westside Transportation | Michael Hicks moved approval; Alex Sugiyama seconded. Approved 3-0. Miguel Cuevas and Adelita Grijalva were not present for the vote. |
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ACTION ITEM (continued)

1. Schedule an executive meeting at this time to consider the following matters (cont.):
 - C. Legal advice/instruction to attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(4)
 - 1) Governing Board Policy Code JICFB – *Bullying, Intimidation and Harassment*
 - D. Legal advice for discussion and consultation with the attorney in order to consider the Board’s position and instruct its attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(4)

REGULAR MEETING RECESSED – 5:07 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED – 6:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mark Stegeman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No action required.

At the recommendation of John Pedicone, Item No. 11 – Westside Transportation Facility Site Selection Recommendations was pulled from the agenda.

INFORMATION ITEMS

2. Superintendent’s Student Advisory Council (SSAC) Report

Information only.
No action required.

Carolina Baker presented the report, providing an overview of SSAC’s meeting of February 21, 2012 at Sabino High School. One of the highlights of the meeting was a presentation by Ron Barber, one of the persons wounded during the January 8, 2011 shooting and a founder of the *Fund for Civility, Respect and Understanding*.

Miguel Cuevas and Michael Hicks commented.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

No action required.

John Pedicone’s report included information on TUSD’s free all-day kindergarten and recognition of C.E. Rose K-8 Principal Stephen Trejo as a finalist for the Rodel Exemplary Principal Initiative.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (continued)

Tucson High Senior, Martin Guillen, not only ran 40 miles on a freezing night to raise funds for the THMS Cross Country Team but was honored on Tucson High's Military Appreciation Night for his involvement with the Marine Corps Delayed Entry Program. In addition to honoring Martin, the Student Council dedicated that evening to two former THMS graduates who were killed while serving in Afghanistan, Sergeant Martin Lugo and Specialist Chris Moon.

Margaret Wilch, science teacher at THMS, was recognized for receiving the University of Arizona's Faculty Senate award of an Honorary Doctorate for her award-winning science program for students.

Stephen Trejo, Martin Guillen and Margaret Wilch commented briefly during Dr. Pedicone's report.

BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

No action required.

The following are the board members who reported and the subject of their comments:

Miguel Cuevas – Traveled to Casa Grande with Rincon parents to see the Winter Guard perform; expressed appreciation to Dr. Pedicone for making TUSD's full-day kindergarten a priority; attended Tucson Festival of Books.

Michael Hicks – Expressed congratulations to students participating in the DECA competition; highlighted Drachman School's Fiddle Club performance at the 1010 Education Center last week; called attention to today's excellent band and orchestra concert at Secrist Middle School.

Alex Sugiyama – Attended kindergarten open house at daughter's future school; participated in workshops at Tucson Festival of Books.

Adelita Grijalva – Read to students at C.E. Rose and Ochoa Schools; visited Pueblo High School; attended Grijalva School's celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday; will be attending kindergarten round-up in anticipation of her daughter entering kindergarten.

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CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No action required.

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

- Nicholas Dominguez** – Ethnic Studies;
- Tanya Alvarez** – System discrimination;
- Frances Banales** – 301 Plan;
- Dick Basye** – Possible impact of F-35 aircraft;
- Maria Teresa Mejia** – Mexican American Studies classes.

Miguel Cuevas and Mark Stegeman commented.

INFORMATION ITEMS (continued)

3. School Community Partnership Council (SCPC) Report

Information only.
No action required.

Leo Masursky presented the Report with a summary of the meeting held on February 20, 2012. Items addressed included an update on the progress of the new TUSD school calendar and John Pedicone’s presentation of the *State of the District*.

John Pedicone commented.

4. K-8/Middle School Interventions – Doolen, Pistor and Vail

Information only.
No action required.

John Pedicone, Jim Fish, Martha Taylor, Kit Manley-Crockett and Robert Vinyard presented information on Doolen, Pistor, and Vail Middle Schools and participated in a discussion on intervention strategies having a positive impact on student achievement. Board members commenting were Michael Hicks, Adelita Grijalva, and Mark Stegeman.

STUDY ITEMS

5. Review of the 301 Plan for School Year 2012-2013

Studied only.
No action taken.

Maggie Shafer, Frances Banales, and Steve Courter shared highlights of the Plan and responded to comments and questions from Mark Stegeman, Miguel Cuevas, Adelita Grijalva, Alex Sugiyama, and John Pedicone.

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STUDY ITEMS (continued)

6. Mathematics Common Core Curriculum Grades K-8

Studied only.
No action taken.

John Pedicone, Maria Menconi, Samantha Klein, Connie Lewis, Judy Rogers, and Maggie Shafer presented information and participated in discussion with Mark Stegeman, Alex Sugiyama, Michael Hicks, and Adelita Grijalva.

7. English Language Arts Common Core Curriculum Grades K-12

Studied only.
No action taken.

Maria Menconi, Mary Bouley, Carol Cimino, Kathi Shaw, Michelle Merrick, and Kathryn Chavez presented various aspects of the curriculum and responded to comments and questions from Adelita Grijalva, John Pedicone, Alex Sugiyama, and Mark Stegeman.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING RECESSED – 9:19 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING RECONVENED – 9:36 p.m.

INFORMATION ITEMS (continued)

8. Promotion/Retention Policies and Procedures

Information only.
No action required.

Maria Menconi, Maggie Shafer, Jim Fish, and Abel Morado presented information on promotion/retention policies and procedures and participated in a discussion with Michael Hicks, Miguel Cuevas, Adelita Grijalva and Mark Stegeman.

Consideration of extending the meeting beyond the 10:00 p.m. curfew in accordance with Governing Board Policy BDAA – Procedures for Governing Board Members

Miguel Cuevas moved to extend the meeting to finish the agenda; Michael Hicks seconded. Approved unanimously.

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CONSENT AGENDA

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| 9. | a) Salaried New Hires
b) Hourly New Hires
c) New Hires for Food Services Department
d) Salaried Separations
e) Hourly Separations
f) Separations for Food Services Department
g) Requests for Leave of Absence for Certified Personnel
h) Requests for Leave of Absence for Classified Personnel
i) Increase of Funds for Bus Passes for Middle, High School and Exceptional Education Students for FY 2011-2012
j) Student Absence Approval for 2011-2012
k) Adoption of 2011-2012 High School Supplementary Materials
l) Agreement between the University of Southern California (USC), 2tor, Inc., and Tucson Unified School District for Placement of USC's Program Teacher Candidates, effective February 1, 2012 to June 30, 2015 | Michael Hicks moved approval of Consent Agenda Items No. 9 (a-t) and (v); Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously. |
| 9. | m) Award of RFQ (Request for Qualifications) No. 12-88-16 – Energy Performance Contracting Services, with Authorization for the Chief Operations Officer to Enter into an Agreement with the Selected Firms; awarded to Ameresco; Climatec; Honeywell; and Midstate Energy
n) Award of Construction Contract – Drachman Elementary School – Upgrades and Renovations (Bond), awarded to Centennial Contractors Enterprises, Inc., in the amount of \$427,000.00, which includes the Base Bid and a 10% contingency
o) Award of Construction Contract – Marshall Elementary School – Upgrades and Renovations (Bond), awarded to Concord, Inc., in the amount of \$433,000.00 which includes the Base Bid and a 10% contingency
p) Award of Construction Contract – Pueblo Magnet High School – Auto Shop Renovations (Bond), awarded to Division II Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$563,532.00 which includes the Base Bid and a 10% contingency | |

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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- q) Award of Construction Contract – Roskrug Bilingual K-8 School – Upgrades and Renovations Phase II (Bond), awarded to LEFCO, Inc, in the amount of \$983,000.00 which includes the Base Bid, Alternate One and a 10% contingency
- r) Award of Construction Contract – Townsend K-8 School – Upgrades and Renovations (Bond), awarded to Kittle Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$446,000.00 which includes the Base Bid and a 10% contingency
- s) Award of Construction Contract – Palo Verde Magnet High School – Gymnasium Upgrades Phase I (Bond), awarded to Progressive Roofing, in the amount of \$312,300.00 which includes the Base Bid and a 10% contingency
- t) Permission to Issue an RFQ (Request for Qualifications) for Construction Manager at Risk Services for Westside Transportation Facility
- v) Ratification of salary and non-salary vouchers for the period beginning February 1, 2011, and ending February 29, 2011

John Pedicone recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

Mark Stegeman requested Consent Agenda Item No. 9(u) be considered separately.

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| 9. u) | Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meetings | Mark Stegeman moved approval of Consent Agenda Items No. 9 (u)(1-4); Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 4-0. Alex Sugiyama abstained. |
| | 1. Regular Board Meeting, July 12, 2011 | |
| | 2. Special Board meeting, July 26, 2011 | |
| | 3. Special Board Meeting, August 3, 2011 (Board Retreat) | |
| | 4. Special Board Meeting, October 4, 2011 (Board Retreat) | |
| | 5. Special Board Meeting, February 21, 2012 | |

Adelita Grijalva and Mark Stegeman commented.

Mark Stegeman moved approval of Consent Agenda Item No. 9 (u)(5); Michael Hicks seconded. Approved unanimously.

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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS

10. Lease Agreement with the Chabad of Tucson for the Former Fort Lowell Elementary School, with Authorization for the Planning Services Program Manager to Execute the Agreement

Miguel Cuevas moved approval; Michael Hicks seconded. Approved 4-0. Michael Hicks was not present for the vote.

In response to a comment from Mark Stegeman, John Pedicone, Candy Egbert and Bryant Nodine commented briefly.

11. Westside Transportation Facility Site Selection Recommendations

Removed from the agenda. No action taken.

12. Award of Request of Proposals (RFP) No. 12-84-22 – District-wide IT Infrastructure Modernization, awarded to Zayo Group (WAN Solution); World Wide Technologies, Inc. (LAN Solution); and CenturyLink (Telephony Solution), beginning FY 2011-12 with renewal options through June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$25.9 million plus 10% contingency over 9.5 years

Michael Hicks moved approval; Miguel Cuevas seconded. Approved unanimously.

John Pedicone introduced the item followed by a PowerPoint presentation and recommendations from John Gay. Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman, Miguel Cuevas, and Michael Hicks commented during the discussion.

ACTION ITEMS

13. Approval and Commitment of Funding for Continuation Of District Internet Services for School Year 2012-2013

Michael Hicks moved approval; Alex Sugiyama seconded. Approved unanimously.

John Gay briefly commented on this item.

14. Approval and Commitment of Funding for Microwave-Based Wide Area Network Services for School Year 2012-2013

Miguel Cuevas moved approval; Michael Hicks seconded. Approved unanimously.

John Gay made brief comments to introduce this item and responded to comments from Michael Hicks and Mark Stegeman.

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

15. Approval and Commitment of Funding for Existing Wide Area Network and Telecommunication Services for School Year 2012-2013

Introductory comments were made by John Gay.

Miguel Cuevas moved approval; Michael Hicks seconded. Approved unanimously.

16. Approval and Commitment of Funding for District Long Distance Services for School Year 2012-2013

John Gay briefly introduced this item.

Miguel Cuevas moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

17. Award and Commitment of Funding for New Wide Area Network Services for School Year 2012-2013

John Gay shared the highlights of these services. Mark Stegeman commented.

Miguel Cuevas moved approval; Alex Sugiyama seconded. Approved unanimously.

18. Award and Commitment of Funding for New Local Area Network Equipment and Services for School Year 2012-2013

Following the introduction of this item by John Gay, Mark Stegeman commented.

Miguel Cuevas moved approval; Michael Hicks seconded. Approved unanimously.

19. Award and Commitment of Funding for Telephony Equipment and Services for School Year 2012-2013

John Gay spoke briefly about this item.

Miguel Cuevas moved approval; Michael Hicks seconded. Approved unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Miguel Cuevas requested continuation of promotion/retention policies and procedures discussion, particularly related to a systems approach.

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REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED – 11:24 p.m.

Approved this 11th day of September, 2012.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By _____

Michael Hicks, Clerk
Governing Board

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