

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

**October 14, 2013
4:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Adelita Grijalva, President – arr. 4:06 p.m.
Kristel Ann Foster, Clerk
Michael Hicks, Member
Cam Juárez, Member
Mark Stegeman, Member – Participated via conference phone

Also Present:

H. T. Sánchez, Ed.D., Superintendent
Julie Tolleson, Lead Legal Counsel
Yousef Awwad, Deputy Superintendent of Operations
Cara Rene, Director, Communications/Media Relations
Richard Montano and Security Staff
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Sylvia Lovegreen, Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board
Alexis Huicochea, *Arizona Daily Star*
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SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 4:05 p.m.
Board Clerk Kristel Foster called the meeting to order.
Mark Stegeman participated via conference phone.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Michael Hicks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (20 minutes)

There were no speakers for the Call to the Audience.

ACTION ITEMS

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| 1. Declaration of Tucson Unified School District Curricular & Instructional Alignment to the Arizona Academic Standards for the 2013-2014 School Year | Kristel Foster moved approval; Michael Hicks seconded. Approved unanimously in a voice vote. |
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Dr. Sanchez explained that this is a legal requirement to be signed by the Board and the Superintendent, declaring that TUSD will abide by the Arizona Common Core

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

1. Declaration of Tucson Unified School District Curricular & Instructional Alignment to the Arizona Academic Standards for the 2013-2014 School Year (continued)

Standards, still printed on the document even though the name has been changed to Arizona College and Career Standards, and we will make sure that materials, professional development and training are all aligned to the Arizona College and Career Standards, and it's a standard document.

2. Tucson Unified School District FY 2012-2013 Annual Financial Report

Michael Hicks moved approval; Kristel Foster seconded. Approved unanimously in a voice vote.

Dr. Sanchez explained this report is for the budget which the Board approved for the 2012-2013 year, has been used and audited, and represents information the Board has received numerous times previously. This action approves the submission to the Arizona Department of Education by October 15th in accordance with the requirement of A.R.S. §15-904.

Mr. Hicks congratulated Yousef Awwad and staff on achieving the certificate for excellence in financial reporting.

In response to Ms. Grijalva's question concerning the amount being carried forward, Yousef Awwad reported the most that can be carried forward is 4%, which would be about \$10m, but that the amount being carried forward by TUSD is only about \$1m for this fiscal year. Dr. Sanchez provided further information on potential means to be employed in a multi-tiered targeted manner designed to free up M&O funds to increase savings.

3. 2014 Arizona School Boards Association Officer Nominations

No Action Taken

Ms. Foster reported on her attendance at ASBA meetings, and although she was not nominating anyone or herself, she expressed hope it would be considered in the future as important for the second largest district in the state to be represented in Association leadership.

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

3. 2014 Arizona School Boards Association Officer Nominations (continued)

Based on a meeting he attended with Ms. Foster, Mr. Juárez expressed his opinion that TUSD needs to be part of the discussion that involves other districts.

Ms. Grijalva stated it is important to remember that TUSD is a minority district and its needs are often different than those represented at meetings of ASBA.

In response to Mr. Juárez' question on who can attend ASBA meetings, Ms. Grijalva clarified that all events are open to members.

Dr. Sanchez indicated that benefits provided by ASBA in connecting with other districts and representing the uniqueness of TUSD would be appropriate discussions for the Board Retreat.

SPECIAL MEETING ADJOURNED – 4:14 p.m.

Approved this 12th day of November, 2013.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By _____
Kristel Ann Foster, Clerk
Governing Board

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