

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

**May 22, 2012
5:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Mark Stegeman, President
Michael Hicks, Clerk
Miguel Cuevas, Member
Adelita S. Grijalva, Member – *arrived at 6:25 p.m.*
Alexandre Borges Sugiyama, Ph.D., Member – *arrived at 5:12 p.m.*

Also Present:

John Pedicone, Ph.D., Superintendent
Maria Menconi, Ed.D., Interim Deputy Superintendent
Yousef Awwad, Chief Financial 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, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Leadership
Lupita Garcia, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, Government Programs & Community Outreach
Pam Palmo, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer
Lorrane McPherson, Interim Executive Director, Exceptional Education
David Scott, Director, Accountability and Research
Marcus Jones, Director, Bonds
Jeff Coleman, Director, School Safety, and Staff
Clarice Clash, Director, High School Leadership
Marcus Jones, Bond and Architecture Program Manager, Engineering
Cara Rene, Director, Communications/Media Relations
Norma Galindo, Instructional LAN Support Manager, Technology Services
Mohit Goel, Financial Systems Analyst, Sr., Financial Services
Kathy Prather, Director, Career and Technical Education
Charlotte Patterson, Principal, Project MORE
Donald Bacon, Dropout Prevention Specialist, Sahuaro High School
Paul Reed, Dropout Prevention Specialist, Dropout Prevention
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Michele Gutierrez, Senior Staff Assistant I to the Governing Board
Alexis Huicochea, Arizona Daily Star
TV Channels 4, 9, and 11/13

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SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 5:04 p.m.

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ACTION ITEMS

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) Hearing Officers' Recommendations
 - B. Legal Advice/Instruction to Attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsections (A)(3) and (A)(4)
 - 1) Fisher-Mendoza
 - 2) Black Box vs. TUSD
 - 3) Arizona Department of Education Average Daily Membership Audit Report issued July 22, 2011
 - C. 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)
 - 1) Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers
 - 2) Appointment(s) to the Technology Oversight Committee
 - 3) Superintendent's Contract
 - 4) Superintendent's Evaluation
 - D. 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) Property at 2102 and 2120 E. Broadway
- Michael Hicks moved approval; Miguel Cuevas seconded. Approved 3-0. Adelita Grijalva and Alex Sugiyama were not present for the vote.

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

1. Schedule an executive meeting at this time to consider the following matters – (cont.)
 - E. Discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsection (A)(5)
 - 1) Negotiations with employee organizations

SPECIAL MEETING RECESSED – 5:05 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING RECONVENED – 7:20 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mark Stegeman.

No action required.

Mark Stegeman entertained a motion to address Item No. 11 immediately following Item No. 4.

Alex Sugiyama moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

There was a very brief discussion about moving Item No. 7 with Mark Stegeman and Adelita Grijalva commenting.

Adelita Grijalva moved to address Item No. 7 immediately following *Call to the Audience*; Miguel Cuevas seconded. Approved unanimously.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No action required.

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

- Robert Aguilar** – 8th grade promotion;
- Richard Kronberg** – Standards for student achievement;
- Kristina Mitschke** – Seniors who have not passed AIMS being able to “walk” in graduation;
- Mace Bravin** – Social promotion of students;
- Don Cotton** – Retention and social promotion;
- Pilar Ruiz** – Holladay PE program;
- Gary Fowler** – Promotion standards for all grade levels.

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Mark Stegeman entertained a motion to extend the *Call to the Audience* until individuals who had already submitted speaker cards have spoken.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (continued)

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

Heriberto Salazar – Letting daughter “walk” at graduation;

Ciara Aldrete – “Walking” with graduation class;

Mary Ruiz – Holladay PE funding;

Marianne Murray – Letting students “walk” with graduation class;

Annie Spencer – Students being allowed to “walk” with graduation class;

Betts Putnam-Hildago – Use of desegregation funds for physical education;

Clarissa Salazar - Students being able to “walk” with graduation class.

Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman, and John Pedicone commented. Martha Durkin provided legal advice.

ACTION ITEMS

7. Exception for 2012 to Governing Board Policy No. IKF – *Graduation Requirements* – Requested by Board Member Adelita S. Grijalva

Adelita Grijalva asked the Board to reconsider and allow another exception to Policy IKF to allow students who have passed all graduation requirements except for passing AIMS to walk with their class during graduation ceremonies. She provided rationale for her request. Mark Stegeman, John Pedicone, Abel Morado, Miguel Cuevas, and Alex Sugiyama also participated in the discussion.

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Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Alex Sugiyama seconded. Approved 4-1; Michael Hicks voted no.

No action required.

(Addressed out of sequence as approved above)

Adelita Grijalva moved approval. Motion died for lack of a second

Prior to ending discussion of this item, Ms. Grijalva again made a motion to allow an exception to Policy IKF. This motion also died for lack of a second.

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STUDY ITEMS

2. Status of Exceptional Education in Tucson Unified School District

Studied only.
No action taken.

Following brief introductory remarks by John Pedicone and Lupita Garcia, Lorrane McPherson made a presentation via PowerPoint and responded to comments and questions from Alex Sugiyama, Mark Stegeman, Adelita Grijalva and Michael Hicks. Dr. Pedicone commented during the discussion as well.

3. 2012-2015 Technology Plan Overview

Studied only.
No action taken.

John Gay presented the overview of the 2012-2015 Technology Plan for the district and responded to comments and questions from Alex Sugiyama, Mark Stegeman and Michael Hicks.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. a) Intergovernmental Agreement between the Pima County Joint Technical Education District (JTED) and Tucson Unified School District (TUSD), July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013, with authorization for the Superintendent to execute the agreement
- b) Award of Construction Contract – Borman Elementary School – Playground Renovation (Bond), awarded to Division II Construction in the amount of \$426,700.00 which includes a 10% contingency
- c) Award of Construction Contract – Borton Primary Magnet School – Renovations to K-5 Conversion (Bond), awarded to Concord General Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$787,400.00 which includes the base bid and a contingency allowance
- d) Award of Construction Contract – Johnson Elementary School – Playground Renovation (Bond), awarded to Durazo Construction in the amount of \$209,500.00 which includes a 10% contingency
- Michael Hicks moved approval of the Consent Agenda; Alex Sugiyama seconded.
Approved unanimously.

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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 4. e) Award of Construction Contract – Vesey Elementary School – Playground Renovation (Bond), awarded to Durazo Construction in the amount of \$315,100.00 which includes a 10% contingency
- f) Award of Construction Contract – Pistor Middle School – Playfield Renovation (Bond), awarded to Kittle Design and Construction Company in the amount of \$423,900.00 which includes a 10% contingency
- g) Award of Request for Qualifications No. 12-98-12 – Construction Manager at Risk Services for Westside Transportation Facilities, with authorization for Bonds & Architecture Program Manager to Negotiate Contract for Chief Operations Officer Approval (Bond), awarded to D.L. Withers Construction Management with the fee to be negotiated based on a percentage of the project estimate
- h) Arizona Department of Education Average Daily Membership Audit – Appeal

John Pedicone recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

There was a brief discussion about how to address the remaining items on the agenda. Mark Stegeman, John Pedicone, and Adelita Grijalva commented.

ACTION ITEMS (continued)

- 11. Mathematics Core Curriculum for Algebra, Geometry and Algebra II

(Addressed out of sequence as approved above)

Maria Menconi provided a brief overview of this item. John Pedicone recommended approval and Michael Hicks commented.

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

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INFORMATION ITEMS

5. Update on Refinement of Business Practices Related to the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)

Information only.
No action required.

Following brief remarks by John Pedicone, Yousef Awwad recognized the project team members and presented an overview and update related to ERP. Mark Stegeman and Michael Hicks commented.

During a discussion about how to proceed with the rest of the agenda, John Pedicone recommended postponing Item No. 12. Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman and Miguel Cuevas commented. It was determined that Item No. 6 would also be postponed.

6. Board Member Report on Technology Oversight Committee

Not Addressed

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

Alex Sugiyama moved to extend the meeting to address the remainder of the agenda as discussed; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

7. Exception for 2012 to Governing Board Policy No. IKF – *Graduation Requirements* – Requested by Board Member Adelita S. Grijalva

Addressed out of sequence immediately following *Call to the Audience* (above).

8. Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers – Principal, Valencia Middle School

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

John Pedicone recommended Patricia Acosta.

9. Administrative appointments, reassignments and transfers – Director, Elementary/K-8 Schools

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

John Pedicone recommended Marcos Quijada.

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ACTION ITEMS (continued)

10. Appointment of Member(s) to the Technology Oversight Committee

Adelita Grijalva commented.

Michael Hicks moved the student appointment of Daniel Martin for a one-year term, expiring June 1, 2013; Miguel Cuevas seconded. Approved unanimously.

Michael Hicks moved the community appointment of Jeff Coleman for a two-year term, expiring in 2014; Miguel Cuevas seconded. Approved unanimously.

Michael Hicks moved the community appointment of Gerald Weygint for a two-year term, expiring in 2014. Miguel Cuevas seconded. Approved unanimously.

11. Mathematics Core Curriculum for Algebra, Geometry and Algebra II

Addressed out of sequence immediately following the Consent Agenda (above).

STUDY/ACTION ITEMS

12. Promotion/Retention Policies and Procedures – Requested by Board Member Miguel Cuevas

Not addressed.

13. To clarify and/or reaffirm the re-design of Alternative Education – Requested by Board President Mark Stegeman

Studied only.
No action taken.

John Pedicone, Abel Morado and Clarice Clash presented information on the re-design of alternative education. The discussion included topics such as the role of transfer schools in the intervention model, the make-up of the committee, location of the programs/transfer schools, etc. Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman, Paul Reed, Alex Sugiyama, Michael Hicks, Miguel Cuevas, Charlotte Patterson, and Jim Fish also participated in the discussion.

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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (continued)

14. Agreement with Alta Vista Communities for the Purchase of the Former Wrightstown Elementary School, with authorization for the Planning Services Program Manager to execute the Agreement

Miguel Cuevas moved approval as recommended; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 3-2. Michael Hicks and Mark Stegeman voted no.

John Pedicone recommended approval as discussed in executive session. Adelita Grijalva and Mark Stegeman commented.

15. Report of the Subcommittee on Policies

Approved policies may be viewed on the District web page – www.tusd1.org

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- a) Governing Board Policy Code BDAA – *Procedures for Governing Board Members* (revision)
- b) Governing Board Policy Code BEDB – *Board Agenda Posting and Organization* (revision)

Miguel Cuevas moved approval of policies BDAA and BEDB; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved as existing, 4-1. Michael Hicks voted no.

Miguel Cuevas introduced these two policies and provided an overview of the revisions.

- c) Governing Board Policy Code DKB – *Salary Deductions* (revision)

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

Miguel Cuevas commented briefly on this policy. Adelita Grijalva, Mark Stegeman and Martha Durkin commented.

- d) Governing Board Policy Code GDBC – *Support Staff Supplemental Pay/Overtime* (revision to include a title change)

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

Miguel Cuevas explained the revisions.

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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (continued)

15. Report of the Subcommittee on Policies (cont.)

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Study

- e) Governing Board Policy Code CBCA – *Delegated Authority* (new)
- f) Governing Board Policy Code IGA – *Curriculum Development* (new)
- g) Governing Board Policy Code IGE – *Curriculum Guides and Course Outlines* (new)
- h) Governing Board Policy Code GA – *Personnel Goals/Priority Objectives* (revision to include a title change)
- i) Governing Board Policy Code GBI – *Staff Participation in Political Activities* (revision)
- j) Governing Board Policy Code JJJ – *Extracurricular Activity Eligibility* (revision)
- k) Governing Board Policy Code KDB – *Public’s Right to Know/Freedom of Information* (revision)
- l) Board Policy Code GAA – *Personnel Goals and Objectives* (eliminate)
- m) Governing Board Policy Code 4004 – *Nondiscrimination in Employment* (eliminate)
- n) Governing Board Policy Code 4305 – *Civil and Legal Rights* (eliminate)
- o) Governing Board Policy Code 5130 – *Student Education Records* (eliminate)
- p) Governing Board Policy Code 5527 – *Emergency Life-Sustaining Care for Students* (eliminate)

Policies studied generally. Action scheduled for next special meeting (June 26, 2012).

There was a very brief discussion about the policies scheduled for study (Item Nos. 15 (e) through (p)). Miguel Cuevas, Mark Stegeman, and Martha Durkin commented.

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Mark Stegeman entertained a motion to return to executive session. Adelita Grijalva commented.

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

SPECIAL MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – 11:17 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING RECONVENED AND ADJOURNED – 12:00 a.m. May 23, 2012

Approved this 13th day of November, 2012.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By _____
Michael Hicks, Clerk
Governing Board

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