



## TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEETING OF: December 20, 2012

TITLE: Closure of Maxwell Middle School including Recommendations for the 2013-2014 School Year for Merger of 6-8 grades with Valencia and Mansfeld Middle Schools and Safford K-8 Magnet and Robins K-8 Schools

ITEM #: 10

Information:

Study:

Action: X

### PURPOSE:

Provide information for the consideration of the closure of Maxwell Middle School including recommendations for the 2013-2014 school year for merger of 6-8 grades with Valencia and Mansfeld Middle Schools and Safford K-8 Magnet and Robins K-8 School.

### DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Maxwell Middle School is a candidate for closure because it meets most of the criteria approved by the Governing Board, including a very low and steeply declining enrollment, poor academic performance, an annual savings of about \$550,000, if closed, and a relatively good potential for reuse. Maxwell has an enrollment of less than 300 students and it loses almost two-thirds of the students in the area to other TUSD schools. The receiving schools have capacity to accept the students and would need little in the way of improvements.

Closing Maxwell provides the opportunity to create a K-8 program at the school; thereby, closing two elementary schools with even greater annual savings (\$660,000).

Vivian "Candy" Egbert and Bryant Nodine will be available to answer questions.

This will directly affect achievement, enrollment, transportation and customer service. Thus, Superintendent's Goals 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7 are affected. This project will be coordinated to support these goals and the desegregation plan. Actual impacts, positive or negative, will be assessed as the options are evaluated.

### BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:

For all Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs), Initiator of Agenda Item provides the name of the agency responsible for recording the Agreement after approval:

For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA recording number:

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Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

\_\_\_\_\_ District Budget  
 \_\_\_\_\_ State/Federal Funds  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other  
Budget Cost      Budget Code

Budget Certification (for use by Office of Financial Services only):

Date

I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$ are available and may be:

Authorized from current year budget

Authorized with School Board approval

Code:    Fund:

INITIATOR(S):

<u>Bryant Nodine, AICP, Planning Program Manager</u>	<u>12/12/12</u>
Name	Date

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED/ ON FILE IN BOARD OFFICE:

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