



TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEETING OF: December 20, 2012

TITLE: Closure of Hohokam Middle School including Recommendations for the 2013-2014 School Year for Merger with Valencia Middle School

ITEM #: 2

Information:

Study:

Action: X

PURPOSE:

Provide information for the consideration of the closure of Hohokam Middle School including recommendations for the 2013-2014 school year for merger with Valencia Middle School.

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Hohokam Middle School is a candidate for closure because it meets most of the criteria approved by the Governing Board, including low and declining enrollment, poor academic performance, a low attraction (more students leave the school than enter) and a high savings (\$600,000 per year). Although the receiving school, Valencia, is about six miles away and is also a D school, it has a higher attraction and already receives 100 of the Hohokam Area students.

In the long-term, Hohokam is a large facility with a gym, music and art rooms and science labs. By means of future bond improvements, it would provide an excellent K-8 or high school option for the area's students.

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:

Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

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

