

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

**December 11, 2007  
6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Present:**

Joel T. Ireland, President  
Alex Rodriguez, Clerk  
Bruce Burke, Member  
Judy Burns, Member  
Adelita S. Grijalva, Member  
Zoar Morales, Superintendent's Student Advisory Committee (SSAC) Representative

**Also Present:**

Roger F. Pfeuffer, Superintendent  
Patricia Lopez, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent/Chief Academic Officer  
Beatriz Rendon, Chief Executive Officer  
Steve Holmes, Assistant Superintendent, Teaching and Learning  
Albert Siqueiros, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services  
Rob Ross, Legal Counsel  
Chyrl Lander, Director, Communications and Media Relations  
James Fish, Principal Supervisor  
Dea Salter, Principal Supervisor  
Ross Sheard, Principal Supervisor  
Marisa Mandal, Acting Executive Director, Financial Services  
Susan Wybraniec, Executive Director, Human Resources  
Rudy Flores, Interim Executive Director, Engineering, Facilities and Planning  
Lorraine McPherson, Executive Director, Resource Development and Grants Management  
Mary Veres, Director, Technology and Telecommunications Services (Interim)  
Marcus Jones, Director, Bonds  
David Scott, Director, Accountability and Research  
Lisa Long, Director, Curriculum/Instruction  
Al Manzo, Telecom Manager  
John Bratcher, Network Security Systems Analyst  
Richard Gastellum, Administrator on Special Assignment – Desegregation  
Jennifer Sprung, Sponsor, Superintendent's Student Advisory Council  
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board  
Linda Todd, Senior Staff Assistant I to the Governing Board  
Michael Konecky, Vice-President, Tucson Education Association  
Patrick Whelan, Moderator, School Community Partnership Council  
Konstantinos Kalaitzidis, Tucson Citizen

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**ACTION**

**REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** – 6:15 P.M.

No action required.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Adelita Grijalva led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No action required.

## INFORMATION ITEM

### 1. Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC) Report

Information only.  
No action required.

Zoar Morales reported on the SSAC meeting held at Pueblo High Magnet School on December 3, 2007. He mentioned that a highlight of the meeting was two presenters from the Volunteer Center of Southern Arizona who provided information on opportunities for high school students.

Alex Rodriguez commented.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

No action required.

Roger Pfeuffer commented on the opportunity for individuals to participate in tax credit donations to TUSD schools. He expressed appreciation to Kino Rotary and Rotary International for their support in providing dictionaries to Miller and Ochoa Elementary School students. Mr. Pfeuffer presented two videos, one of Miller students singing a "dictionary song," and the other focused on what educators and the public should learn about technology that kids already know and understand.

Judy Burns commented.

## BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

No action required.

Alex Rodriguez reported on his visit to Sahuaro High School where he was able to see the progress of bond program improvements that are benefiting students.

Bruce Burke commented on attending a Pima County School Board/Superintendent Collaborative meeting where Senator Tim Bee reported on serious funding issues in the State of Arizona.

Joel Ireland mentioned attending several TUSD high school football games and expressed congratulations to the team from Santa Rita High School.

## CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No action required.

The following persons spoke:

**Meg Beer** – Expressed concerns about the possibility of librarians being cut from next year's budget;

**Joe Cuprak** – Outlined reasons Dodge Middle School teachers should receive 301 monies;

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### CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (continued)

**Alicia Thomas** – Provided information on the qualifications and duties of school librarians and expressed concerns about possible budget cuts;

**Roger Pritzke** – Explained why he believes 301 monies should be paid to Dodge Middle School teachers;

**Laurie Becker** – Turned over her speaking time to Ken Ifkovits;

**Ken Ifkovits** – Shared his rationale for why Dodge teachers should receive 301 monies;

**Clyde Phillips** – Expressed concerns about MECHA clubs in public schools;

**Gabriel Smith** – Spoke in support of ethnic studies in school;

**Cynthia Ortega** – Turned over her speaking time to Kena Milberg;

**Kena Milberg** – Provided rationale in support of ethnic studies;

**Sonja Baker** – Urged support of small schools, Wrightstown in particular;

**Susan Bryan** – Spoke in support of ethnic studies in school;

**Lisa Schwartz** – Expressed support for ethnic studies;

**Michael Konecky** – Commented on TEA (Tucson Education Association)/TUSD cooperation in helping to identify and address reasons newly hired teachers leave the profession in the first five years;

**Judy Moreillon** – Addressed the importance of retaining school librarians;

**Sharla Darby** – Spoke in support of school librarians.

Individuals whose names were called but were not present:

**Bruce Murchison, Xavier Teso, Amanda Holmes, Crystal Swenson, Maya Adela Bernal**

Judy Burns and Joel Ireland commented.

### INFORMATION ITEMS

2. School Community Partnership Council (SCPC) Report

Information only.  
No action required.

Patrick Whelan reported on the recent actions and involvements of the SCPC and thanked Bruce Burke for attending the December 3<sup>rd</sup> SCPC meeting.

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**INFORMATION ITEMS** (continued)

3. Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget Process

Information only.  
No action required.

After introductory comments by Roger Pfeuffer, Beatriz Rendon presented information on the budget process via PowerPoint. Both Roger and Beatriz responded to board members' inquiries.

Adelita Grijalva, Bruce Burke, Judy Burns, Alex Rodriguez and Joel Ireland commented and/or asked questions.

4. Summary of Selected Financial Activity and Supplemental Information for the Five Months Ending November 30, 2007

Information only.  
No action required.

There were no comments or questions.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 5. b) Hourly New Hires for the 2007-2008 school year
- c) New Hires for Food Services Department for the 2007-2008 school year
- d) Salaried Changes for the 2007-2008 school year
- e) Hourly Changes for the 2007-2008 school year
- f) Teachers hired through teacher pool process for the 2007-2008 school year
- g) Salaried Separations for the 2007-2008 school year
- h) Hourly Separations for the 2007-2008 school year
- i) Separations for Food Services Department for the 2007-2008 school year
- j) Requests for leave of absence for certified personnel
- k) Requests for leave of absence for classified personnel
- l) Requests for leave of absence for Food Services Department
- m) Requests to cancel Board-approved leave of absence
- n) Requests for released time
- o) Requests for released time and travel expenses
- p) Reauthorization for Governing Board Member to travel to the National School Boards Association Federal Relations Network Conference, Washington, D.C. February 1-6, 2008 (revised)
- q) Travel release time to attend grant related meetings, conferences, training and business - Exceptional Education, December 2007 – December 2008

Alex Rodriguez moved approval of Consent Agenda Item Nos. 5 (b-w), (z), and (ac-ag); Judy Burns seconded. Approved unanimously.

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**CONSENT AGENDA (continued)**

5. r) Authorization to dispose of administrative records for the Fine Arts Department
- s) Arizona Department of Education *IDEA Transition from School to the Community Grant* to provide comprehensive transition programs for youth with disabilities aged 16-21 at Santa Rita High School, two-year grant
- t) Arizona Department of Education – *IDEA Preschool Grant*, July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008
- u) Intergovernmental Agreement between Pima County Health Department and Tucson Unified School District for the Provision and Administration of Childhood Immunizations, Amendment No. 3, Contract No. 01-01-T-135365-1204, for one year ending December 6, 2008, original agreement approved on October 12, 2004
- v) Food Service Bid No. 08PF – Perishable Foods, December 12, 2007 through March 31, 2009 awarded to Malone Meat & Poultry, Shamrock Foods, Schreiber Foods, Inc., and Epicurean Foods in the amount of \$525,000.00
- w) Bid No. 08-74-08 – Cholla High Magnet School Practice Gym and Field Support Facilities (bond) awarded to Smith Construction Management, LLC, in the amount of \$5,226,100.00 which includes the base bid, alternate bid numbers 3 and 4 and a contingency of 10 percent
- z) Award contract for Professional Architectural Services for classroom additions at Miller, Maldonado and Grijalva Elementary Schools (bond) to The Architecture Company in the amount of \$332,573.00 plus a 10 percent contingency
- ac) Award a construction contract for the practice gymnasiums at Sahuaro, Santa Rita and Sabino High Schools (bond and adjacent ways) to Lloyd Construction Company, Inc., the Construction Manager at Risk, in the total amount of \$14,181,371.00 which includes a 10 percent contingency
- ad) Plans and specifications for Vesey Elementary School classroom addition with authorization to advertise for sealed bids (bond and building renewal)

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**CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

- 5. ae) Plans and specifications for field support facilities at Rincon High School and Catalina, Pueblo and Palo Verde High Magnet Schools with authorization to advertise for sealed bids (bond)
- af) Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meetings
  - 1) Regular Board Meeting, September 11, 2007
  - 2) Special Board Meeting, September 20, 2007
  - 3) Special Board Meeting, September 25, 2007
  - 4) Special Board Meeting, October 9, 2007
- ag) Ratification of salary and non-salary vouchers for the period beginning November 1, 2007, and ending November 30, 2007

Judy Burns requested that Consent Agenda Item Nos. 5 (a), (x), (y), (aa) and (ab) be considered separately.

- 5. a) Salaried New Hires for the 2007-2008 school year

In response to a question from Judy Burns, Sue Wybraniec provided additional information.

Judy Burns moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.

- 5. x) Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 09-01-13 – E-Rate Premise Structured Cabling System Implementation awarded to Netsian Technologies Group, Arizona Communications Experts, Inc., and Able Information Technologies, Inc., contingent upon approval of this request on the E-Rate application at approximately the discount level anticipated here; multi-term contract beginning with fiscal year 2008-2009, with renewal options through June 30, 2013

Bruce Burke moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

Roger Pfeuffer, Lorraine McPherson, and Al Manzo responded to questions and comments from Judy Burns and Adelita Grijalva.

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**CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

5. y) Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 09-02-13 – Email/Web Hosting Services awarded to Gaggle.net., contingent upon approval of this request on the E-Rate application at approximately the discount level anticipated here; multi-term contract beginning with Fiscal Year 2008-2009, with renewal options through June 30, 2013
- Bruce Burke moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

Roger Pfeuffer, Lisa Long, and Lorraine McPherson provided additional information in response to questions and comments from Judy Burns and Joel Ireland.

5. aa) Award contracts for upgrades to the Tucson Unified School District Network Core (bond) to Qwest Government and Education Solutions under State Contract EPS060043-8-A4 and to Hye Network & Security Solutions under State Contract EPS060043-16-A1, in the total amount of \$1,295,670.00
- Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.

In response to questions from Judy Burns, John Bratcher provided additional information.

5. ab) Award contracts for the Lee Instructional Resource Center (LIRC) data network upgrades (bond) to Qwest Government and Education Solutions under State Contract EPS060043-8-A4 and to Hye Tech Network and Security Solutions under State Contract EPS060043-16-A1 in the total amount of \$352,250.00
- Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.

John Bratcher responded to a question from Judy Burns.

**ACTION ITEMS**

6. Wages and benefits for 2007-2008 for exempt administrators who are part of the superintendent's Executive Team
- Alex Rodriguez moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded.

Roger Pfeuffer commented briefly and recommended approval. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

Joel Ireland pointed out a correction on one of the documents. Judy Burns commented.

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**ACTION ITEMS** (continued)

7. Superintendent's salary increase for 2007-2008 fiscal year  
Joel Ireland made introductory comments. Judy Burns commented.

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Alex Rodriguez seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

**STUDY/ACTION ITEMS**

8. Community involvement regarding the TUSD superintendent search process  
Joel Ireland presented information; others involved in the discussion were Adelita Grijalva, Roger Pfeuffer, Alex Rodriguez and Judy Burns.

Judy Burns moved approval of the document presented by Joel Ireland; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

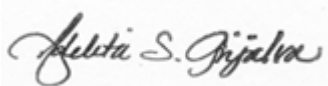
9. Adoption No. 07-91 – Global (formerly known as foreign) Language Curriculum  
Roger Pfeuffer made introductory comments.

Judy Burns moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.

**REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED** – 8:59 p.m.

Approved this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By   
Adelita Grijalva, Clerk  
Governing Board

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