Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting Amphitheater Public Schools Tuesday, June 14, 2022

A Regular public meeting of the Governing Board of Amphitheater Public Schools was held on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson, AZ 85705 in the Leadership and Professional Development Center.

Governing Board Members Present

Ms. Vicki Cox Golder, President

Ms. Deanna M. Day, M.Ed., Vice President

Dr. Scott K. Baker, Member

Mr. Matthew A. Kopec, Member

Governing Board Member Absent

Ms. Susan Zibrat, Member

Superintendent's Cabinet Members Present

Mr. Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent

Ms. Michelle H. Tong, J. D., Associate to the Superintendent and Legal Counsel

Mr. Scott Little, Chief Financial Officer

Ms. Kristin McGraw, Director of Student Services

Mr. Richard C. La Nasa, Executive Manager of Operational Support

Ms. Michelle Valenzuela, Director of Communications

1. CALL TO ORDER AND SIGNING OF THE VISITOR'S REGISTER

President Cox Golder called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and invited members of the audience to sign the guest register.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Cox Golder asked Dr. Baker to the lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. <u>ANNOUNCEMENT OF DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT SPECIAL GOVERNING</u> BOARD MEETING

President Cox Golder announced that the next Special Governing Board Meeting would be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson AZ 85705 in the Leadership & Professional Development Center. She noted that the Governing Board members and other staff may appear virtually, however the public is welcome to attend the meeting in person.

4. RECOGNITIONS

A. Recognition of Ironwood Ridge High School 2022 Track and Field Champions and Runner-Up

Superintendent Jaeger stated he was proud to present so many student athletes for recognitions this evening. He asked Kristie Stevens, Athletic Director at Ironwood Ridge High School, to present the first group of students.

Ms. Stevens thanked the Governing Board for recognizing the students. She said Coach Michael Smith was unable to attend the meeting, but the assistant track coach, Emily Bartz, was present. Ms. Bartz stated Matt Pueschner, Logan Marek, Mason Tengel, and Nathan Richardson were all named state champions in various events and explained that Matt and Logan also hold school records. Ms. Bartz shared a little about each of the students and their plans for the future. Ms. Stevens said that the students and their parents were not able to attend in person.

Dr. Baker presented Ms. Bartz with certificates of recognition from the Governing Board for the students and coaches.

B. Recognition of Canyon del Oro High School 2022 Track and Field Runners-Up

Superintendent Jaeger invited Canyon del Oro High School, Athletic Director, Marco Dominguez, and Principal, Tara Bulleigh, to present the students. Mr. Dominguez introduced Coach Michelle Gerard. Ms. Gerard introduced the track team members present: Rowan Barney, Alex Luckett and Sean Jacobson. Ms. Gerard spoke about their accomplishments at the state competition and how hard they worked all year. She thanked the Governing Board for recognizing the students.

Dr. Baker presented the Canyon del Oro High School students and coaches with certificates of recognition from the Governing Board. A photo was taken with the students, Ms. Gerard, Superintendent Jaeger, and the Governing Board to mark the occasion.

C. Recognition of Canyon del Oro High School 2022 4A State Softball Championship Runners-Up

Superintendent Jaeger stated he and Board Members were able to attend the state championship softball game and the District was so proud of the team. Ms. Bulleigh thanked all who were able to attend the game and offer support. Ms. Bulleigh presented the softball coach, Kelly Fowler, who introduced the team and thanked the Governing Board for attending the championship game as well. She also gave a recap of the season and stated the team's motto for the season was "grateful". Ms. Fowler said that each senior player is going on to play softball at the college level next year. The players introduced themselves and shared what college they plan to attend next year. The following seniors were in attendance: Alina Felix, Megan Clark, Faith Valenzuela, Naya Campos, Bella Porter, Lauren Newlin, Kori Rominger, and Julia Holt. Also in attendance were: Allee Noble, Zaedi Tagalog, Mari Asher, Destanee Nez, Malayah Renteria, Sydnee Wendel, Taya Kelly, Molly Herman, Ava Flores, and Mkenna Stohlmann. Each of the players stated their name, position, and year in school.

Vice-President Day presented the students and coach with certificates of recognition from the Governing Board. A photo was taken with the students, Ms. Fowler, Superintendent Jaeger, and the Governing Board to mark the occasion.

D. Recognition of Canyon del Oro High School 2022 4A State Baseball Champions Superintendent Jaeger asked Ms. Bulleigh and Mr. Dominguez to introduce the state champions. Mr. Dominguez stated he was very privileged to introduce Head Baseball Coach Jason Hisey. Coach Hisey introduced the rest of the coaching staff and shared how instrumental they were in the team's achievements this season. He offered a recap of the season and spoke of the history and tradition of the CDO baseball program. Coach Hisey thanked the administration for their support and asked each of the team members present to introduce themselves. The following students were in attendance: Austin Madsen, Dominic Felix, Blake Lehmbeck, Jared Akyroid, Lucas Casey, Senbetu Rogers, Brody Jones, Jackson Kokoskie, Chase Tackett, Grant Young, Jack Mitchell, Tarrell Reid, and Brandon Boone. The players stated their name, position, year in school, and the senior students also shared what college they plan to attend next year. Vice President Day presented the students and coaches with certificates of recognition from the Governing Board. A photo was taken with the students, coaches, Superintendent Jaeger and the Governing Board to mark the occasion.

E. Recognition of Project Graduation Committees 2022

Superintendent Jaeger stated that the District is so fortunate to have such a supportive community and one of the most special expressions of that support every year is Project Graduation. He asked Ms. Michelle Valenzuela, Director of Communications, to introduce the

item. Ms. Valenzuela spoke about the events that took place at each of the high schools on graduation night that offer graduates a unique and safe event to celebrate. She asked Beth Lake, Community and Family Engagement Coordinator, to come forward to introduce the Project Graduation Committee members present. Ms. Lake spoke about the commitment and hard work the organizers of the events invest to provide a fun, safe event for graduates.

Mr. Kopec presented the committee members with certificates of recognition from the Governing Board. A photo was taken with the volunteers, Superintendent Jaeger, and the Governing Board to mark the occasion.

5. <u>INFORMATIO</u>N²

A. Superintendent's Report

For the Superintendent's Report PowerPoint Presentation see Exhibit 1.

Superintendent Jaeger stated that the District graduated over 900 students in 2022, and he offered his congratulations to all of those students. He also spoke about the various promotions across the District and displayed photographs of La Cima Middle School 8th graders promoting to high school, Prince Elementary School 5th graders promoting to middle school, and Wilson K-8 kindergarteners promoting to 1st grade.

He talked about the "Amp Up!" summer programming happening at District campuses this summer. He said there are almost 2400 students attending the free summer school program this year. Elementary school students have been learning about Australia while simultaneously studying Language Arts, Mathematics and Science. At Amphi Middle School, the students had an opportunity to learn about Career, Technical Education (CTE); in addition to academics, they developed carpentry skills by learning to build toolboxes.

Superintendent Jaeger spoke about a survey published by the Center for the Future of Arizona. The survey included 500 participants selected to model the likely turnout of voters in the upcoming general election — across political party lines, ages, regions, and genders. He said the results show what a majority of likely voters say are the critical issues facing the state and seem to counter the narrative of division and polarization that dominates the political dialogue. The survey noted that the top responses of key issues to voters are immigration, economy, education, environment, politics and elections. He stated that the results disclosed the top education issues for Arizona voters were:

- Ensuring that Arizona schools have quality teachers and principals
- Increasing teacher pay
- Increasing funding more broadly for K-12 public education
- Closing the gaps in educational outcomes for vulnerable populations, including low-income, the disabled, and English Language Learners
- Increasing access to and affordability of early learning opportunities for 3 and 4 year-olds
- Ensuring all schools have the resources necessary to deliver a quality education for every child, regardless of skin color, background, or zip code

He also reviewed a recent Census Bureau report detailing that Arizona spent only \$8,785 per pupil in 2020, besting only Utah and Idaho. Arizona ranks last – 51st among states and the District of Columbia – in the amount spent on actual instruction with only \$4,801 spent per pupil. By comparison, the national averages are: \$13,494 overall education spending per pupil and \$8,176 spent on actual instruction. He reported that in September 2021, 25.9% of teacher vacancies were unfilled in Arizona; and fully 55.4% of teacher positions were filled by teachers who did not meet the state's certification requirements.

Superintendent Jaeger spoke about the state's budget surplus of more than \$5 billion. He said

the Arizona legislature has cut school funding in the state by \$4.56 billion since 2009, and has never restored those cuts. Education groups have asked that \$1.2 billion of the current surplus go to education next year. Currently, however, there is discussion that state leadership is only considering a funding increase of \$400-\$500 million to education and a certain amount of those funds would be attributed to empowerment scholarships for private schools. He expressed frustration about the lack of a state budget for the coming fiscal year that begins in 13 days. Superintendent Jaeger spoke about the decades-long hypocrisy of political leaders and frustration about the lack of response of the legislature to address the needs of public schools which is clearly stated as one of their functions in the state's constitution. He felt that every year, school districts were being asked to do more with less.

The Superintendent concluded his report with a picture of Bethany Papajohn, principal of Painted Sky Elementary School driving a school bus of students to summer school. Ms. Papajohn received her Commercial Driver's License (CDL) this year to help address the bus driver shortage in the District. He thanked Ms. Papajohn for obtaining her license and her positive spirit.

B. Status of Construction Projects

For the Status of Construction Projects report see Exhibit 2.

Superintendent Jaeger asked Mr. LaNasa to present his report, commenting this is a busy time and he appreciated the effort from facilities to do more with less. Mr. La Nasa said his staff is working hard this summer to take care of needed facility improvements and upgrades.

- Amphitheater High School (AHS) Bond projects include the completion of improvements to the cafeteria Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) system. Additional projects include building DN HVAC improvements, building 700 HVAC replacement, and central plant (CP) #2 hot water line replacement. Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) projects include HVAC improvements to the student center/bookstore, and classroom fan coil replacements in the 100 and 200 wing. Arizona School Facilities Oversight Board (SFOB) projects include the CP #3 hot water line replacement, building DN evaporative cooler replacements, phase I east campus roof assessments and structural repairs of the 300 wing. The CP #2 hot water line leak assessment has been completed.
- Canyon del Oro High School (CDO) Bond projects include reconstruction of the east parking lot and the main central plant renovation, the north gym and building BN HVAC controls improvements, and building E HVAC controls upgrades. The north and south gym access control improvements and the fire alarm system inspection and repairs have been completed. Adjacent Ways projects include the reconstruction of the east parking lot fire lane. ESSER projects include the replacement of building E HVAC and building BN HVAC improvements. SFOB projects include the completion of the campus roofing phase II and building IE fascia replacement.
- <u>Ironwood Ridge High School</u> (IRHS) Bond projects include the irrigation well design and cooling tower 1 replacement. ESSER projects include the completion of the CP chiller replacement. SFOB projects include the academic buildings, fine arts and gym weatherization.
- <u>Amphitheater Middle School</u> (AMS) Bond projects include roof coating for building 300, and the completion of building 800 HVAC improvements. ESSER projects include building 300 HVAC improvements and campus HVAC controls upgrades.
- <u>Copper Creek Elementary School</u> Bond projects include HVAC fan coil improvements, and the fire alarm system inspection and evaluation has been completed. ESSER projects

- include campus HVAC controls upgrades. SFOB projects include the roof replacement for the Multipurpose Room (MPR).
- <u>Coronado K-8 School</u> Bond projects include building A, E, H and J roof coatings, and the electrical infrastructure for the new marquee. ESSER projects include HVAC improvements to the boys and girls locker rooms.
- <u>Cross Middle School</u> Bond projects include the replacement of the cafeteria HVAC RTU. ESSER projects include building 600 HVAC improvements. SFOB projects include the completion of the roof replacement to the 100, 200, 300, 400, and 600 buildings, buildings 500 and 700 are 75% complete.
- <u>Donaldson Elementary School</u> ESSER projects include improvements to building D HVAC.
- <u>Harelson Elementary School</u> ESSER projects include building A HVAC improvements and the replacement of the speech room condenser. SFOB projects include the Funhouse weatherization.
- <u>Holaway Elementary School</u> Bond projects include the design for a single point of entry at the front office. ESSER projects include buildings E, F and G HVAC improvements.
- <u>Innovation Academy</u> Bond projects include the completion of the fire alarm system inspection and evaluation.
- <u>Keeling Elementary School</u> Bond projects include the replacement of the AC units for building A and D. ESSER projects include buildings D, E and F HVAC improvements, and the completion of the fire alarm system inspection and evaluation.
- <u>La Cima Middle School</u> Bond projects include the replacement of the MPR kitchen HVAC. ESSER projects include the replacement of the central plant chiller, and MPR HVAC.
- <u>Mesa Verde Elementary School</u> Bond projects include exterior classroom door replacements. The parking lot improvements, and the fire alarm system inspection and evaluation have been completed. ESSER projects include buildings C and F HVAC improvements. SFOB projects include the campus roof replacement.
- <u>Nash Elementary School</u> Bond projects include the cafeteria HVAC replacement. ESSER projects include building I HVAC improvements.
- <u>Painted Sky Elementary School</u> Bond projects include the completion of the fire alarm system inspection and evaluation. ESSER projects include HVAC replacement for classrooms 114, 115 and 116. SFOB projects include the completion of the fire alarm replacement assessment.
- <u>Prince Elementary School</u> Bond projects include the administration building access control card reader. The installation of new playground equipment has been completed. ESSER projects include building C HVAC improvements. SFOB projects include the replacement of classroom 19 and the west wing classroom HVAC.
- <u>Rillito Center</u> Bond projects include the completion of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramp and courtyard improvements and the upcoming project to re-plaster the pool. SFOB projects include buildings A and D weatherization.
- Rio Vista Elementary School Bond projects include the activity gym HVAC replacement. ESSER projects include building C multizone AC replacement.

- <u>Walker Elementary School</u> Bond projects include the replacement of the cafeteria HVAC and the completion a fence enclosure around the HVAC condenser. ESSER projects include buildings B, C, D and E HVAC improvements.
- Wilson K-8 School Bond projects include the central plant expansion tank R and R, central plant hot water pump improvements and a Fall 2022 campus painting project. ESSER projects include the central plant cooling tower replacements, and upgrades to the campus HVAC controls. SFOB projects include the MPR stage HVAC replacement, the MPR building roof and central plant underground hot/chilled water line assessment.

Superintendent Jaeger asked Mr. La Nasa to clarify the funding source for the CDO East Parking Lot and Bus Loop Reconstruction project. Mr. La Nasa responded the funds came from the bond override funding approved by the voters. The state of Arizona provided no funds for the project.

Mr. La Nasa offered to answer any questions, there were none.

Vice President Day thanked all of the voters who fund those projects. The Governing Board thanked Mr. LaNasa for his report.

C. Periodic Legislative Update

For the Periodic Legislative Update see Exhibit 3.

Superintendent Jaeger stated that Ms. Tong would briefly summarize some of the recent legislative activity. She said she unfortunately there is no information concerning the budget.

Ms. Tong gave an overview of bills that have been signed since the meeting on May 10, 2022.

HB2025: Schools; Parental Classroom Visitation Policies

Must adopt policies allowing visits, tours, and observations by parents or prospective parents

HB2086: School Immunization; Exclusions

COVID-19 immunization cannot be required for school attendance

HB2124: School Districts; Tuition; Expenditures

Creates new calculation using RCL and DSL for HS students in common school districts attending HS in different district. Adds new way to determine equalization base for those HS students and for county aid for equalization assistance

HB2325: Schools; Instruction; 9/11 Education Day

Public education on 9/11 must dedicate a portion of school day to age-appropriate education on the 9/11 terrorist attacks

HB2453: Governmental Entities; Mask Requirement; Prohibition

Governmental entity may not impose a requirement to wear a mask/face covering anywhere on its premises, except long-standing workplace safety and infection controls unrelated to COVID-19 may continue to be enforced

SB1319: Vision Screening; Program

Adds recognized non-profit organizations and other professionals to list of entities to be consulted by ADHS when adopting rules for school vision screenings

Ms. Tong stated one bill has been transmitted to the Governor, but it has not yet been signed.

HB1630: School Buses; Student Transportation; Vehicles

• Allows governing board to purchase public liability/property damage insurance for private contractors who operate vehicles for school transportation

- Requires contractors to carry public liability insurance in amounts not to exceed \$20,000/\$100,000 per injury/accident
- Increases route mileage from 20 to 30 each way to and from school
- Allows contract with private entity to drive vehicles that carry 11-15 passengers to transport students
- Allows route mileage to be calculated based on all types of vehicles
- Specifies that only drivers of buses designed to carry 16 passengers or more must complete DPS school bus driver training

She gave a recap of what is happening with the state's budget. There were two bills introduced late today, HB2853 and HB2854. Ms. Tong said she has not been able to fully read them. She asked Mr. Little if he had additional information to add about the bills. He stated he took a quick scan of HB2854 and said that it might generate some funds, but it will not be a large amount. Mr. Little said the District will have to wait and see what happens to the base support level, and he will be presenting the upcoming fiscal year budget at the next meeting.

Ms. Tong offered to answer any questions. There were none.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT¹

Rebecca Green is an Amphi parent and teacher. She spoke about her daughter graduating high school this year and never having experienced a fully funded education. She spoke about the state's \$5 billion surplus in the state's budget, however the current legislature is only looking at a 2% increase to education. She stated that 2% does not ensure maintaining quality teachers and staff. Ms. Green said it's time to work together to help our students. She urged people to talk to state legislators about a meaningful increase to educational funding.

7. CONSENT AGENDA³

Details of agenda items, supporting documents, and presentations are available in the electronic Board Book by clicking on the hyperlink below.

Amphitheater Public Schools Public View - BoardBook Premier.

Superintendent Jaeger requested Item B. be held for separate consideration.

President Cox Golder asked for a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items A. and C- N. Vice President Day moved for Consent Agenda Items A, and C.- N. be approved as presented. Mr. Kopec seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Voice vote in favor – 4. President Cox Golder, Vice President Day, Dr. Baker, and Mr. Kopec. Opposed – O. Consent Agenda Items A, and C.- N. passed.

Superintendent Jaeger asked Ms. Tong to provide additional information for Item 7. B. Ms. Tong explained an attachment for the item was omitted for the final posting, and has now been added. The attachment was the FY23 Counselor Placement Schedule and the FY23 Counselor Salary Guidelines. She stated that since the agenda item was not changed, it is allowable to make the addition.

President Cox Golder asked for a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item B. Vice President Day moved for Consent Agenda Item B. be approved as presented. Mr. Kopec seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Voice vote in favor – 4. President Cox Golder, Vice President Day, Dr. Baker, and Mr. Kopec. Opposed – 0. Consent Agenda Item B. passed.

Vice President Day said she applauds the District for taking the initiative to help the counselors.

A. Approval of Appointment of Non-Administrative Personnel

Non-administrative personnel appointments were approved as listed in Exhibit 4.

B. Approval of Personnel Changes

Certified and classified personnel changes were approved as listed in Exhibit 5.

C. Approval of Leave(s) of Absence

Leave(s) of absence were approved as listed in Exhibit 6.

D. Approval of Separation(s) and Termination(s)

Separations and terminations were approved as listed in Exhibit 7.

E. Approval of Stipend for Coaching Volunteers

Stipend for coaching volunteers were approved as listed in Exhibit 8.

F. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

The Governing Board approved minutes for meetings held on April 12, 2022, April 26, 2022, May 10, 2022 and May 24, 2022 as listed in Exhibits 9-12.

G. Approval of Vouchers Totaling and Not Exceeding Approximately \$1,863,038.27

A copy of vouchers for goods and services received by the Amphitheater Public Schools and recommended for payment has been provided to the Governing Board. The following vouchers were approved as presented and payment authorized as submitted in Exhibit 13.

Voucher#	Amount	Voucher#	Amount	Voucher#	Amount
1301	\$122,619.13	1302	\$95,293.48	1303	\$203,923.02
1304	\$210,384.64	1305	\$494,130.96	1306	\$152,271.67
1307	\$70,979.95	1308	\$2,144.02	1309	\$56,734.19
1310	\$8,490.99	1313	\$39,470.56	1314	\$26,034.50
1312	\$61,710.48	1315	\$2,675.19	1316	\$66,179.17
1317	\$49,741.46	1318	\$88,404.98	1319	\$1,163.39
1320	\$35,619.45	1321	\$23,133.66	1322	\$51,933.38

H. Acceptance of Gifts

Gifts were accepted by the Governing Board as listed in Exhibit 14.

I. Approval of Parent Support Organization(s) - 2022-2023

The Governing Board approved IRHS Baseball Booster, IRHS Football Boosters, and Nighthawk Parent Organization for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted in Exhibit 15.

J. Approval of Disposal of Surplus Property via PublicSurplus.com

The Governing Board approved the Disposal of Surplus Property via PublicSurplus.com.

K. Approval of Sole Source Purchasing Contracts for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023

The Governing Board approved Sole Source Purchasing Contracts for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023.

L. Approval of Cooperative Purchasing Contracts for Fiscal Year 2023

The Governing Board approved Cooperative Purchasing Contracts for Fiscal Year 2023 as listed in Exhibit 16.

M. Approval to Distribute Bonus Monies Received Pursuant to ARS 15-249.06(C)

The Governing Board approved to Distribute Bonus Monies Received Pursuant to ARS 15-249.06(C) as listed in Exhibit 17.

N. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with the Pima County Joint Technological Education District No. 11

The Governing Board approved the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Pima County Joint Technological Education District No. 11 as submitted in Exhibit 18.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION*

- 1. Motion to Recess Open Meeting and Hold an Executive Session for:
 - A. Discussion and Consideration of Matters Pertaining to School Safety Operations and/or School Safety Plans or Programs, Which May Also Include Discussion or Consultation: (1) for Legal Advice with the Attorney for the Public Body, and/or (2) with Designated Representatives of the Public Body about Security Plans, Procedures, Assessments, Measures or Systems Relating to, or Having an Impact on, the Security or Safety of Buildings, Facilities, Operations, Critical Infrastructure Information and Information Technology Maintained by the Public Body, Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), (8) and/or (9).
 - B. Discussion Pertaining to the Employment of the Superintendent, and in Accordance with His Terms of Employment May Include an Annual Evaluation of His Performance, Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1).

President Cox Golder asked for a motion to hold Executive Session. Vice President Day moved that the Board go into an Executive Session to address the matters identified in Item 8. of the Board's agenda and pursuant to the legal authorities listed on the agenda under Item 8. Mr. Kopec seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor – 4: President Cox Golder, Vice President Day, Dr. Baker, and Mr. Kopec. Opposed—0.

9. RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 8:32 p.m.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT¹

There was none.

11. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Dr. Baker asked for board items about the grading policy and liquidated damages policy.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Day made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kopec seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Voice vote in favor- 4. President Cox Golder, Vice President Day, Dr. Baker, and Mr. Kopec. Opposed - 0. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Minutes respectfully submitted for Governing Board Approval	Date
Jennifer Anderson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & Governing Board	
Gretchen Hahn, Secretary III, Governing Board Office	
	June 28, 2022
Vicki Cox Golder, Governing Board President	Date