

DRAFT Governing Board Meeting Minutes

AMPHITHEATER PUBLIC SCHOOLS Tucson, Arizona

MINUTES OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

Place, Date and Time of Meeting

Wetmore Center, 701 West Wetmore Road, August 3, 2010, 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present

Mr. Jeff Grant, President
Mrs. Diana Boros, Vice President
Mrs. Patricia Clymer, Member
Dr. Linda Loomis, Member

Board Members Absent

Dr. Kent Paul Barrabee, Member

Central Administrators Present

Dr. Vicki McLeod Balentine, Superintendent
Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Associate to Superintendent and General Counsel
Mr. Patrick Nelson, Associate Superintendent
Mr. Scott Little, Chief Financial Officer

OPENING OF MEETING

Call to Order and Signing of Visitors' Register

Mr. Grant called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and invited members of the audience to sign the visitors' register.

Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Balentine led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcement of Date and Place of Next Regular Governing Board Meeting:

Mr. Grant announced the next regular meeting of the Governing Board:
Tuesday, August 10, 2010, 7:00 p.m., Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT¹

John Fife, President, AmphiEA, addressed the Governing Board providing feedback received by some teachers about their experiences with the Reduction in Force (RIF) and recall processes. Additionally, he noted that resumption of policy Meet & Confer discussions has not yet been scheduled. He requested that Meet & Confer resume prior to the beginning of school and hopes to be contacted by the Meet & Confer team by August 9th to establish dates for the resumption of Meet & Confer discussions.

Dr. Balentine appreciates Mr. Fife's comments regarding Meet & Confer discussions. She added that the central staff involved have been entirely committed with the recall/rehire process. She expressed regret that this delay was not communicated.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Grant asked if there were Board member requests to have items addressed separately; Mrs. Clymer requested that Item A be heard separately. A motion was made by Dr. Loomis moved to approve consent agenda items B-F. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Boros and passed unanimously, 4-0. Appointment of personnel is effective, provided all district, state, and federal requirements are met. (See detail related to Item A below.)

A. Appointment of Personnel

Mrs. Clymer asked to have this item addressed separately in order to express appreciation to the Community for passing Proposition 100 for without its funding at this time, the District would not have been able to restore/rehire the numbers of teachers listed within this item.

Mrs. Clymer moved to approve the Appointment of Certified and Classified personnel. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Boros and passed unanimously, 4-0, as listed in Exhibit 1.

B. Personnel Changes

Certified and classified personnel were appointed, as listed in Exhibit 2.

C. Leave(s) of Absence

Leaves of Absence requests were approved for certified and classified personnel, as listed in Exhibit 3.

D. Separation(s) and Termination(s)

Certified and classified personnel separations were approved, as listed in Exhibit 4.

E. Approval of Vouchers Totaling and Not Exceeding Approximately \$5,130,811.59 (Final Total)

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

2009-2010 Fiscal Year Encumbrances

Vo. 926	\$ 387,187.13	Vo. 932	\$ 46,048.66
Vo. 927	\$ 246,997.31	Vo. 933	\$ 203,536.87
Vo. 928	\$1,746,146.77	Vo. 934	\$ 42,171.76
Vo. 929	\$ 688,411.83	Vo. 930	\$ 464,939.13
Vo. 931	\$ 101,734.12		

2010-2011 Fiscal Year

Vo. 100	\$ 23,849.24	Vo. 105	\$ 74,418.61
Vo. 101	\$ 744,806.36	Vo. 106	\$ 98,485.11
Vo. 102	\$ 491.18	Vo. 107	\$ 81,284.10
Vo. 103	\$ 7,983.24	Vo. 108	\$ 50,019.51
Vo. 104	\$ 28,289.02	Vo. 109	\$ 94,011.64

F. Approval of Essential Recruitment Stipend – Physics

Board Book information: *Beginning in May of 2004, we have recommended an Essential Recruitment Stipend for those positions for which we have had great difficulty in hiring qualified candidates. This stipend, as it has been applied to other hard to fill vacancies, has assisted us in recruiting those qualified candidates. One of those identified areas has been Physics. The Governing Board several years ago approved a stipend for Physics in the amount of \$2,000. At present, and for some time, we have experienced considerable difficulty in hiring and retaining highly qualified Physics teachers.*

The Governing Board approved the increased stipend in the amount of \$4,000.00 for physics teachers holding a 9-12 Physics endorsement and is effective beginning with the 2010-2011 school year.

2. STUDY⁴

A. Review of the 2010-2011 Student Code of Conduct Administration Training Presentation

Board Book information: *On April 27, 2010, the Governing Board approved proposed revisions of the Student Code of Conduct to be effective for the 2010-2011 school year. These revisions are substantial and include, notably, separation of the Code into two separate versions – one for elementary students and one for middle and high school students. Hard copies of the booklets will be available at the Board*

meeting for the Board's convenience, however, the booklets are currently available for review on the District's website through the Parent/Student information drop-down link.

Mr. Jaeger provided an overview of the revised Code of Conduct information, guiding Board members through the changes. Board members thanked Mr. Jaeger for his efforts in developing this tool to be used in assisting parents and staff in the adjudication process. Recommendations and feedback were provided. Mr. Jaeger will schedule time at a future meeting for further review.

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Board Member requests.

PUBLIC COMMENT¹

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Clymer that the Board Meeting be adjourned; Mrs. Boros seconded the motion; and it passed unanimously, 4-0. Mr. Grant declared the meeting was adjourned; the time was approximately 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Harris

Mr. Jeff Grant, President

Date