

**Minutes of the Special Governing Board Meeting
Amphitheater Public Schools
Tuesday, June 27, 2023**

A Special public meeting of the Governing Board of Amphitheater Public Schools was held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson, AZ 85705 in the Leadership and Professional Development Center.

Governing Board Members

Ms. Deanna M. Day, M. Ed., President
Ms. Vicki Cox Golder, Vice President
Dr. Scott K. Baker, Member
Mr. Matthew A. Kopec, Member
Ms. Susan Zibrat, Member

Superintendent's Cabinet Members

Mr. Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent
Ms. Tassi Call, Associate Superintendent for Elementary Education
Mr. Matthew Munger, Associate Superintendent for Secondary Education
Mr. Scott Little, Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Elizabeth Jacome, Director of Curriculum and Assessment
Mr. Richard C. La Nasa, Executive Manager of Operational Support
Ms. Kristin McGraw, Director of Student Services
Ms. Michelle Valenzuela, Director of Communications

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

President Day called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and invited members of the audience to sign the guest register.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Day asked John Hastings to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ANNOUNCEMENT OF DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

President Day announced that the next Regular Governing Board Meeting would be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson AZ 85705 in the Leadership and Professional Development Center.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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

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President Day asked if any items needed to be removed for comment or discussion. There were none.

President Day asked for a motion. Vice President Cox Golder moved for Consent Agenda Items 5. A.-P. be approved as presented. Mr. Kopec seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor – 5. President Day, Vice President Cox Golder, Dr. Baker, Mr. Kopec and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed – 0. Consent Agenda Items 5. A.-P. passed.

A. Approval of Appointment of Non-Administrative Personnel

Administrative personnel appointments were approved as listed in Exhibit 1.

B. Approval of Personnel Changes

Non-administrative personnel appointments were approved as listed in Exhibit 2.

C. Approval of Leave(s) of Absence

Leave(s) of absence were approved as listed in Exhibit 3.

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

Separations and terminations were approved as listed in Exhibit 4.

E. Approval of Stipend for Coaching Volunteers

Stipend for Coaching Volunteers were approved as listed in Exhibit 5.

F. Approval of Vouchers Totaling and Not Exceeding Approximately \$4,119,827.46

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 6.

Voucher #	Amount	Voucher #	Amount	Voucher #	Amount
1398	\$138,851.24	1399	\$446,263.79	1400	\$94,519.94
1401	\$16,077.80	1402	\$1,009,310.87	1403	\$47,274.01
1406	\$622,540.20	1407	\$129,359.51	1408	\$361,088.29
1409	\$1,027,961.35	1410	\$15,173.91	1411	\$1,436.32
1412	\$14,958.82	1413	\$195,011.41		

G. Acceptance of Gifts

Gifts were accepted by the Governing Board as submitted in Exhibit 7.

H. Receipt of May 2023 Report on School Auxiliary and Club Balances

The Governing Board approved Receipt of May 2023 Report on School Auxiliary and Club Balances as submitted in Exhibit 8.

I. Approval of Parent Support Organization(s) - 2023-2024

The Governing Board approved CDO Football Touchdown Club for the 2023-2024 school year as submitted in Exhibit 9.

J. Annual Approval of All Authorized Signatories on District Checking Accounts for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved the Annual Approval of All Authorized Signatories on District Checking Accounts for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year as listed in Exhibit 10.

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

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

L. Approval of the Amphitheater Teacher Performance Evaluation System for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Governing Board approved the Amphitheater Teacher Performance Evaluation System for the 2023-2024 School Year as submitted in Exhibit 11.

M. Approval of Proposition 301 Teacher Performance Pay Awards and Administrative Performance Pay Awards for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved Proposition 301 Teacher Performance Pay Awards and Administrative Performance Pay Awards for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year as submitted in Exhibit 12.

N. Approval of Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County to Extend Pima Early Education Program (PEEP)

The Governing Board approved Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County to Extend Pima Early Education Program (PEEP) as submitted in Exhibit 13.

O. Approval of Arizona Department of Administration School Facilities Division Building Renewal Grants

The Governing Board approved Arizona Department of Administration School Facilities Division Building Renewal Grants as submitted in Exhibit 14.

P. Approval of Out of State Travel

The Governing Board approved requests for out of state travel as submitted in Exhibit 15.

6. STUDY

A. Presentation on K-12 Core Content and Program Curriculum Work

For the PowerPoint and attachments for the Presentation on K-12 Core Content and Program Curriculum Work see Exhibit 16.

Superintendent Jaeger said he was excited to have District staff present information on the work undertaken over the last few years. He then introduced Ms. Jacome to begin the presentation.

Ms. Jacome thanked the Governing Board for allocating funds to the Office of Learning and Instruction to hire the coordinators. She said the funding has been essential and impactful. Ms. Jacome gave an overview of the upcoming presentations. She introduced Polly Kimminau, Math Coordinator (K-12).

Ms. Kimminau talked about the curriculum work that has been created over the last year and half. She explained how the K-5 scope and sequence was developed using the AZ Math Standards and Benchmark expectations. Ms. Kimminau gave an example of 2nd grade scope and sequence, and explained how it aligns with the state standards. She said it becomes a “roadmap” for teachers so they know what students should master by the end of a unit.

Ms. Kimminau reviewed the timeline of the elementary report card development, saying it also was designed to align with the state standards. She talked about the hard work done by committee members, and noted teachers were given an opportunity to provide feedback and revisions were made. She shared an example of report card rubrics and explained how scope and sequence was used to create it. Ms. Kimminau stated that all the information was shared during Summer Institute and was extremely well received by the teachers.

She then spoke about the timeline to create the scope and sequence for secondary math. She said with teacher input they determined the priority standards, then began working on the scope and sequence tables and concluded by developing the proficiency scales.

Ms. Kimminau stated that in the District, there is a large population of advanced math students. She said in order to meet their needs, the middle school math flowchart and placement schedule was revamped. She noted there will also be a revision at the elementary level.

She offered to answer any questions. President Day thanked her for the presentation and the work she does.

Ms. Kimminau introduced Pam Vandivort, Science/STEM Coordinator to continue with the presentation.

Ms. Vandivort said she appreciated the opportunity to talk about the many great things that are happening at Amphi in the realm of science and STEM. She talked about elementary science Tier 1 curriculum support for staff, which included:

- Whole-staff training
- The expectations to cover all standards
- Cleaning, organizing, and practicing using the Maker Spaces
- Workshops to synch English Language Arts (ELA), Social Studies (SS) and Science Units

Ms. Vandivort explained the curriculums used are Picture Perfect STEM and Engineering is Elementary. She noted the curriculums are inquiry based and intended to guide learning.

She spoke about specific changes implemented at some elementary schools to increase STEM learning, and stated there was immediate positive feedback. Ms. Vandivort shared the goals for the upcoming school year to integrate STEM learning as much as possible:

- Include Pre-K
- Pilot plan to increase attendance
- Whole-School STEAM pilot projects
- Maker Spaces functional and in use in all schools
- Whole-staff training and refresher sessions of Tier 1 curriculum where needed
- Ongoing SARSEF and SLL support
- Ongoing encouragement to incorporate graphs, tables, data imagery in every way possible

Ms. Vandivort talked about the middle school science standards and shared the timeline of the curriculum development. She gave an example of a 7th grade lesson that encourages student inquiry and involvement, in order to interest them in the content. Ms. Vandivort also described the development of the middle school scope and sequence, which was created with input from the middle and high school department heads.

She reported the middle school science goals include: ongoing collaboration and support; training and supporting new teachers; renaming unit files and posting them to SharePoint; keeping a close watch on standards - as the explanatory language has changed in some areas; and the development of proficiency Benchmark performance assessments that are modeled after the AzSCI format. Ms. Vandivort stated the guide is a living document that will require periodic updating as science and technology evolves.

Ms. Vandivort spoke about high school science. She explained there was a change to the AzSCI standards in 11 grade, which added Earth and Space. As a result, in order to prepare the students the Earth and Space standards needed to be incorporated into Biology, Chemistry and Physics. This was the first year of the change and the test data will show if it worked. She said adjustments will be made if necessary. Ms. Vandivort reviewed the revised proficiency scales that incorporated Earth and Space.

Ms. Vandivort concluded the presentation by sharing the goals for high school science: continue the collaborative work to establish resource materials to support each standard; creating District performance assessments; and monitor and adjust the Earth and Science inclusion standards as AzSCI scores indicate.

She offered to answer any questions. President Day said she truly appreciated the hard work of everyone involved.

Superintendent Jaeger thanked Ms. Kimminau and Ms. Vandivort for their amazing efforts over the last few years. He commented on the extraordinary work that is being accomplished in the District. He then thanked the Governing Board for allocating the resources to create their positions to facilitate these changes.

7. STUDY/ACTION

A. Study and Approval of the Proposed Expenditure Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

For the attachment of the Study and Approval of the Proposed Expenditure Budget for Fiscal Year 2023- 2024 see Exhibit 16.

Superintendent Jaeger stated this is the time of year school districts are required to undertake this action. He asked Mr. Little to explain in greater detail.

Mr. Little said the proposed budget was prepared based on the actions the legislature has taken so far this session. He reported there was increase of \$3.7 million, a minimal inflationary increase and an allotment of one-time monies. Mr. Little stated there has been a continuous slight decline in student enrollment, and a small increase in Prop 301 revenues. He said there is a continuation of \$350,000 levy for Adjacent Ways. Mr. Little noted that to adopt the budget, a roll call vote is required.

He offered to answer any question. There were none.

President Day asked for a motion. Vice President Cox Golder moved to Approve the Proposed Expenditure Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 as presented, directed that a summary of the budget be published, and recommended that the Governing Board schedule a public hearing on the proposed budget immediately prior to the adoption at the scheduled board meeting on July 11, 2023. Ms. Zibrat seconded the motion. Roll Call vote in favor – 5. President Day, Vice President Cox Golder, Dr. Baker, Mr. Kopec and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed – 0. Study/Action Item 7.A. passed.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

9. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests.

10. ADJOURNMENT

President Day moved to adjourn. Vice President Cox Golder seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Voice vote in favor – 5. President Day, Vice President Cox Golder, Dr. Baker, Mr. Kopec and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.


Minutes respectfully submitted for Governing Board Approval

*Jennifer Anderson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & Governing Board
Gretchen Hahn, Secretary III, Governing Board Office*

July 6, 2023

Date

Deanna M. Day M. Ed, Governing Board President

July 11, 2023

Date