

SADDLE MOUNTAIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
February 11, 2016
District Office- Centennial Board Room
38201 W. Indian School Road, Tonopah AZ 85354

Minutes

Attendance:

Dan Blackson-President
Bernadette Delacruz -Clerk
Paul Roetto-Member
Jim Keith-Member

Mark Joraanstad, Ed. D. –Superintendent
Vivian Martinez-Assistant Superintendent
Anna-Marie Perry – Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER

President Blackson calls the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Roetto made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Delacruz seconded and motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Dr. Joraanstad introduced and recognized 7th grade Tartesso student, Chloe Naquin for being the District's Spelling Bee Champion.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Roetto made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Mrs. Delacruz seconded and motion passed unanimously.

The motion carried and the following items were approved:

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Acceptance of a Special Gift Donation
3. Student Activity Fund Balance Statements
4. Ratification of Vouchers
5. Certified Personnel Report
6. Classified Personnel Report
7. Travel

Dr. Joraanstad commended the loyal service of retiring employees Hector and Yolanda Gonzalez and Nancy Moreau, and Board Member Keith commended the special contributions of music teachers John and Darla Spain.

REPORTS, INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Budget Report-

Ms. Anna-Marie Perry, Business Manager provided the Governing Board with a report of district

paid stipends for FY 2015-2016.

Ms. Perry is beginning to work on the new budget with anticipation that Proposition 123 will pass.

Policy Revision-First Reading on Policy JLCD-Medicines/Administering Medicines to Students-
Dr. Joraanstad provided explanation on the proposed changes.

ACTION ITEMS

Four-day School Week-

Dr. Joraanstad presented results from the parent surveys to the Governing Board. The results show that the community is in favor of continuing the four-day school week (75%). He provided additional information including savings on transportation costs and energy savings at Ruth Fisher Elementary.

Mr. Roetto made a motion to approve the continuation of the four-day school schedule. Mrs. Delacruz seconded and motion passed unanimously.

School Calendar for FY 2016-2017-

Mr. Roetto made a motion to approve the school calendar for FY 2016-2017. Mrs. Delacruz seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Final Review/Approval on Policy GCD- Professional Staff Vacations and Holidays-
Discussion was held regarding the proposed changes.

Mr. Roetto made a motion to bring the policy back to the March board agenda as a first reading. Mrs. Delacruz seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Final Review/Approval on Policy GDD- Support Staff Vacations and Holidays-

Mr. Roetto made a motion to bring the policy back to the March board agenda as a first reading. Mrs. Delacruz seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Governing Board Vacancy-

No recommendations were made at this time.

ASBA Proposed Job Posting-

Discussion was held regarding the proposed job posting.

Mrs. Delacruz made a motion to approve the job posting with the noted edits. Mr. Keith seconded and motion passed unanimously.

ASBA Potential Interview Questions-

Discussion was held regarding potential interview questions. President Blackson will notify Karen Loftus with the list of questions.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Dr. Joraanstad announced that the Meet & Confer recommendations will be presented at the March board meeting. He also announced the game schedules for the high school Boys' and Girls' Basketball Section Tournament.

SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Keith toured the Ruth Fisher campus and he enjoyed it very much. The campus looks great, has excellent Administration, outstanding staff members and programs.

President Blackson mentioned that he met with Dr. Joraanstad regarding an AZ Merit Initiative. President Blackson would like the district to explore opportunities with the State Land Department regarding the land sale at Winter's Well Elementary.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business a motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Mr. Keith, seconded by Mrs. Delacruz. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Board Member
Saddle Mountain Unified School District #90
Merlinda Avila, Board Secretary