

SADDLE MOUNTAIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
August 11, 2014
District Office- Centennial Board Room
38201 W. Indian School Road, Tonopah AZ 85354

Minutes

Attendance:

Paul Roetto-President
Dan Blackson-Clerk
Gary Burton-Member

Mark Joraanstad, Ed. D. –Superintendent
Vivian Martinez-Assistant Superintendent

Absence:

Hector Andrade-Member
Jim Keith-Member
Sandy Wilkins – Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER

President Roetto calls the regular meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The following amendment was made to the Agenda:

Remove Item J. Executive Session as listed on the agenda.

Mr. Blackson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. President Roetto seconded and motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Dr. Joraanstad introduced Mr. John Mullen and Mr. Dave Schwake from the Kiwanis Club of Litchfield. The Kiwanis Club representatives presented Dr. Joraanstad and Ms. Liz Burton with a check in the amount of \$2400 to be used for the Robotics program at Tartesso Elementary.

In addition, they announced that they will donate opera tickets to four different opera productions that may be attended by students and chaperones of SMUSD.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Lloyd Rogers, representing himself addressed the Governing Board to voice his appreciation to Dr. Joraanstad and Mrs. Kilborn for their cooperation with the CEF program at Ruth Fisher Elementary. Mr. Rogers stated that the program began with 12 children and ended with 52.

Mr. Rogers also mentioned that he is disturbed that the district calendar reflects the break in December as "Winter Break" rather than "Christmas Break". Mr. Rogers requests that the district make a change to the calendar and list the break as Christmas.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

The motion carried and the following items were approved:

1. Approval of Minutes-The Board was presented with the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and

the Executive Session of July 7, 2014.

2. Acceptance of a Special Gift Donation
3. Student Activity Fund Balance Statement
4. Ratification of Vouchers
5. Certified Personnel Report
6. Classified Personnel Report
7. IGA between SMUSD and Wickenburg Unified School District

REPORTS, INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Update on Bond Projects-

Mr. Angel Tellez, Facilities Director provided the Governing Board with an update on bond projects. The update on the Tartesso security remodel is as follows; first walk through took place over the weekend before school started, there were minor repairs to be made but the COO was received on Wednesday evening, before school started. The final walkthrough is scheduled for Thursday.

The well has been drilled and developed. The testing process has begun, waiting on the results but so far everything is looking good. The new well should be in full use in about a month.

The Ruth Fisher chilled water line extension is currently in the permit phase.

AIMS and School/District Grades-

Mr. Kevin Kilborn, Data Analyst provided a PowerPoint presentation with detailed reports on the district's overall performance, achievement and comparison to neighboring districts.

Mr. Gary Burton congratulated Ms. Liz Burton, Mr. Edgar Garcia and Mr. Garye LaFevers for their contributions to helping their school sites earn A grades.

ACTION ITEMS

2015 Political Agenda/Delegate and Alternate Delegate for 2015 Arizona School Board Association Delegate Assembly-

Discussion was held regarding approving a board member to be the delegate to the ASBA Delegate Assembly. Mr. Gary Burton volunteered to represent the district. Mr. Dan Blackson will be the alternate.

President Roetto made a motion to approve Mr. Burton as the delegate to the ASBA Delegate Assembly. Mr. Blackson seconded and motion passed unanimously.

President Roetto made a motion to approve Mr. Blackson as the alternate delegate to the ASBA Delegate Assembly. Mr. Burton seconded and motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Dr. Joraanstad mentioned that the September board agenda will include an update from Mr. Joel Wisser and Mr. Mike Bailey on the progress of tech bond projects.

SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD COMMENTS

Dr. Joraanstad introduced the new Chartwells' Food Director for the district, Mr. Tim Ely. Mr. Ely provided the board with a brief history of his employment background.

Dr. Joraanstad also announced that the first home football game is scheduled for Friday, September 5th

and Homecoming on September 19th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business a motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mr. Blackson. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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