

SADDLE MOUNTAIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
November 10, 2014
District Office- Centennial Board Room
38201 W. Indian School Road, Tonopah AZ 85354

Minutes

Attendance:

Paul Roetto-President (via phone)
Dan Blackson -Clerk
Gary Burton-Member
Jim Keith-Member

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

Absence:

Hector Andrade-Member
Sandy Wilkins – Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of President Roetto, Mr. Blackson calls the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Keith made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Burton seconded and motion passed unanimously.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

None at this time.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Keith made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Mr. Burton 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 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting on October 13, 2014.
2. Sole Source Vendor
3. Acceptance of a Special Donation
4. Student Activity Fund Balance Statement
5. Ratification of Vouchers
6. Certified Personnel Report
7. Classified Personnel Report
8. Budget Reports
9. IGA between SMUSD and Arizona Assessment Collaborative (AzAC)

ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Burton made a motion to table Action Item F1., Expansion of the Safe and Drug Free School Zone until the arrival of Buckeye Police Officer, Jeff Lumadue. Mr. Keith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

First and Final Reading on Policy KHB-Advertising in Schools

Dr. Joraanstad provided explanation on the proposed policy change which complies with A.R.S. 15-585.

Mr. Keith made a motion to approve the Policy Revision of KHB-Advertising in Schools. Mr. Burton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Governing Board requested a follow-up on item #2 on page 2 of the policy.

REPORTS, INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Update on Bond Projects-

In the absence of Mr. Angel Tellez, Facilities Director, Dr. Joraanstad provided the Governing Board with an update on bond projects.

The Tartesso landscape project is expected to be completed by November 28. The playground installation is now complete.

The well project continues to be on hold pending the arrival of the raw water tank. Expected delivery is now in mid-December.

The Maintenance and IT building project is on hold for further review and discussion to take place in December.

Mr. Blackson requested a follow up on potential heating issues at Ruth Fisher Elementary.

First Quarter Benchmark Results-

Mr. Kevin Kilborn, Data Analyst provided a PowerPoint presentation on district benchmark testing.

ACTION ITEMS

Expansion of the Safe and Drug Free School Zone-

Buckeye Police Officer Jeff Lumadue provided the Board with information in regards to expanding the Safe and Drug-Free School Zone from 300 feet beyond Tartesso Elementary School property line to 1,000 feet.

Discussion was held and Mr. Keith made a motion to approve the expansion of the Safe and Drug Free School Zone. Mr. Burton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS, INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Election Results-

Dr. Joraanstad provided a PowerPoint presentation on the results and potential financial impacts from the 2014 M&O Election.

Introduction to the Statewide Assessment-AzMERIT

Dr. Joraanstad provided a PowerPoint presentation to introduce the new statewide assessment which is scheduled to be administered in April, 2015.

Board Self-Evaluation-

Mr. Keith made a motion to table the Board Self-Evaluation to the December board meeting. Mr. Burton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Blackson made a suggestion for board members to email their evaluations to him in order to compile the data for further discussion.

FUTURE MEETINGS, AGENDA TOPICS AND EVENTS

Dr. Joraanstad announced the possibility of a short study session at the next board meeting to discuss the potential pros and cons of using Winter's Well Elementary for the IT/Maintenance Building.

Ms. Liz Burton announced the Ruth Fisher vs. Tartesso basketball game to be held on Thursday, November 13, 2014 at Tartesso.

Mrs. Pat Kilborn mentioned that the art work for display in the Board Room is presented by Ms. Dorothy Morgan's art class. She also mentioned the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner to be held at Ruth Fisher on Wednesday, November 26 is free to the community.

Dr. Joraanstad mentioned that Mr. Lloyd Rogers and Mr. Mike Bailey will judge the Ruth Fisher Patriotic Speech contest at Ruth Fisher on Wednesday, November 12. The finalists will compete at the District Office Board Room on Monday, November 17 at 5 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Keith acknowledged Mr. Lloyd Rogers for offering to purchase a book for the students he works with at Ruth Fisher Elementary. He also mentioned that he attended the Tartesso Patriotic speech contest and he appreciated the students' efforts and enjoyed seeing the youth give patriotism. He expressed his gratitude to Dr. Joraanstad for putting the contest together.

Mr. Blackson asked about the fifth board member. Dr. Joraanstad mentioned that Bernadette Delacruz is the new board member.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business a motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mr. Keith. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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