

Nogales Unified School District No. 1



NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the Special Meeting of November 13, 2023, held at 3:00 p.m.

I. Attendance:

The following Board Members were present:

Manuel Ruiz, President; Members, Robert Rojas, Cesar A. Lopez, and Patricia Muñozcano

Board Member not present: Greg Lucero, Clerk

a. Call to Order

Mr. Ruiz called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Luis Andrade, Security Director, led all in the pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Muñozcano for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:

Rojas, Muñozcano, Lopez, and Ruiz

II. Presentation and Discussion Items

a. Spring 2023 Data Results and School Improvement Strategies

Superintendent Canto gave a brief overview on the data results received. She introduced Asst. Superintendent Bonillas to give a presentation.

Asst. Superintendent Bonilla gave a Power Point presentation of the District results. Copies of the presentations were included in the agenda packet.

Mr. Lopez inquired what had made the results well.

Ms. Bonillas explained the trainings provided and the academic special education results and strategies.

Superintendent Canto added that this training involved the administrators and principals in order for all to work well.

1. Desert Shadows Middle School

Superintendent Canto introduced Chris Miranda, DSMS Principal, to make a presentation.

Mr. Miranda gave a Power Point presentation explaining the school data and status.

Ms. Muñozcano commended him for doing a good job.

Mr. Lopez asked if he could provide pictures of school night.

Mr. Miranda stated he would make sure to have them available.

Mr. Ruiz thanked him for his presentation.

2. Wade Carpenter Middle School

Superintendent Canto introduced Frank Gilvin, WCMS Principal, to give a presentation.

Mr. Gilvin gave a Power Point presentation explaining the school data, letter grade and proficiency.

Mr. Ruiz thanked him for his presentation.

3. Nogales High School

Superintendent Canto introduced Tim Colgate, NHS Principal, to give a presentation.

Mr. Colgate gave a Power Point presentation explaining the school data, letter grade, proficiency and instructional strategies.

Ms. Muñozcano thanked Mr. Colgate for all strategies they are working on and implementing.

Mr. Lopez asked about the SMORE program.

Mr. Colgate explained the SMORE program was something that would be presented tonight to the teachers.

Mr. Ruiz thanked Mr. Colgate for his presentation.

4. Pierson High School

Superintendent Canto introduced Jigar Mehta to give a presentation.

Mr. Mehta gave a PowerPoint presentation explaining the letter grade, site proficiency, and improvement strategies for the school.

Mr. Ruiz thanked him for his presentation.

III. Executive Session/Closed Review

Appeal/Review of the Hearing Officer's decision to long-term suspend (Student) #312602, pursuant to Governing Board Policy JKD and Arizona Revised Statute (A.R.S.) §38-341.03(a)(2) (Confidential Records).

Mr. Ruiz read the above statement for the record.

Mr. Lopez made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Rojas for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Lopez, Rojas, Muñozcano, and Ruiz

The Governing Board left Board Room to enter into executive session at 3:55 p.m.

IV. Reconvene the Special Meeting

Mr. Lopez made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Muñozcano to end the executive meeting and resume into the special meeting.

The meeting was resumed at 4:56 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Lopez, Muñozcano, Rojas, and Ruiz

V. Adjournment of the Special Meeting

Ms. Muñozcano made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Lopez for adjournment of the public meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by members:

Session adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD



Manny Ruiz President



Greg Lucero Clerk



Robert S. Rojas Member



Cesar A. Lopez Member



Patricia Muñozcano Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary
December 20, 2023

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NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 GOVERNING BOARD

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2023 Held Immediately After the Special Meeting

I. Attendance:

The following Board Members were present:

Manuel Ruiz, President; Members, Robert Rojas, Cesar A. Lopez, and Patricia Muñozcano

Board Member not present: Greg Lucero, Clerk

a. Call to Order

Mr. Ruiz called the meeting to order at 4:56 p.m.

b. Adoption of the Agenda

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Muñozcano for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Rojas, Muñozcano, Lopez, and Ruiz

II. Approval of Governing Special and Regular Board Minutes of October 23, 2023

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Lopez made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Muñozcano for approval.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Lopez, Muñozcano, Rojas, and Ruiz

III. **Governing Board/Superintendent Information**

a. Superintendent Report – Discussion, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

1. Update

2. Enrollment Update for 40th Day Census

Superintendent Canto introduced Ms. Mendoza-Jimenez to give a presentation.

Ms. Mendoza-Jimenez gave a PowerPoint presentation of the District enrollment as a whole.

Mr. Ruiz thanked Ms. Jimenez for her presentation.

3. Special Election Update

Superintendent Canto gave an overview of the unofficial tally of total votes that came out on behalf of the Bond and Override.

She thanked the committee for their hard work and all those who helped with the election.

4. Veterans' Day Celebration

Superintendent Canto thanked the schools for honoring the Veterans, and gave a special thanks to Lincoln school for their continuance celebration of breakfast. She further thanked the middle schools and high school JROTC for doing a great job in the parade and the City Hall Wall of Fame celebration.

5. Arizona Department of Education Mentor Program Visit

Superintendent Canto gave a brief overview of the visit by the Arizona Dept. of Education and she mentioned the schools that were interviewed by ADE. She mentioned ADE were excited to see all the programs the District had.

6. Save the Date ASBA/ASA Annual Conference December 6-8, 2023

Superintendent Canto reminded the Board of the upcoming conference.

7. Special Meeting for Elementary Schools Data Presentation scheduled for December 11, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

Superintendent Canto informed the Board that the board meeting in December would also start at 3pm with elementary schools' presentations.

a. Governing Board Report, Celebration, Recognition, Announcements

Ms. Muñozcano thanked all the schools for their presentations.

She also thanked the schools who participated in the Veterans' Day parade.

She further thanked the schools who celebrated the student of the month.

In addition, she thanked all schools who received a good letter grades.

Cesar Lopez thanked the people in the committee for the Bond and Override for doing a great job and for their hard work for it to pass.

He also thanked the schools who participated in all the events.

Mr. Rojas congratulated Superintendent Canto for doing a fantastic job with the Bond and Override election, and Mr. Lopez as well for his work as part of the committee.

He also thanked all the administrators and board member for their help and support.

He further stated that there is confidence in the community to vote in favor of the Bond and Override as long as the students are being taken care of by our schools and they show they are successful in school.

He also thanked all the teachers for today's presentations stating they were well done.

He concluded mentioning the need to keep track of the successes and weaknesses in order to move forward making the corrections right away and become more successful.

Mr. Ruiz thanked all who went to cast their vote and stated he was happy to see this community supports education. He further mentioned the need to be confident that the students and the staff will be in a comfortable environment.

He thanked Mauricio Chavez and Cesar Lopez and all others involved in the Bond/Override committee for their hard work.

He thanked the Hall of Fame members, Mayra Zuniga, Chino Calixtro, and Dina Rojas, for this year's celebration, stating it was different but nice to see the recognition of several County Emergency Departments and pandemic first responders.

He thanked those who attended the Veterans Celebrations and all their families for their service.

He concluded thanking the community for their support to the District.

IV. Call to the Public

None

V. Consent Agenda

Superintendent Canto recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Lopez for approval as presented to the Board.

Motion carried unanimously by members:

Rojas, Lopez, Muñozcano, and Ruiz

- a. Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
- b. Ratification of Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Vouchers
- c. Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Funds Extra Curricular Tax Credit
- d. Approval of Donation by ASBAIT (Jessica Coffey) (\$1,125.00 for employee health & wellness incentives, activities, and programs)
- e. Approval of Donation by Thunderbirds Foundation (\$1,000.00 Boys' Gold Team)
- f. Approval of Donation by Thunderbirds Foundation (\$1,000.00 Girls' Golf Team)
- g. Adoption/Resolution Recognition of Booster Organization (Challenger PTC)
- h. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Arizona Dept. of Education's Arts Consumable Grant
- i. Approval of the Amended Memo of Understanding between the Santa Cruz County School Superintendent Office & the Nogales Unified School District #1 (C-CREO GEAR UP)
- j. Approval of Out of State Travel for Exceptional Services Team to Attend the 2024 61st Learning Disabilities Association of America International Conference in Orlando, FL on February 20-22, 2024
- k. Approval of Personnel Agenda
- l. Approval of Addenda

VI. Action

- a. Second Read of September 2023 Policy Advisory from Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) for Recommendation of Policy Changes to: Policy **BCB** – Board Member Conflict of Interest, Policy **BDA** – Board Organizational Meeting, Policy **BE** – School Board Meetings, Policy **BEDA** – Notification of Board Meetings, Policy **BEDB** –

Agenda, Policy CBI – Evaluation of Superintendent, (New) Exhibit CBI-EB – Evaluation of Superintendent, Policy EBC – Emergencies, Policy IHA – Basic Instructional Program, Exhibit IHA-E – Basic Instructional Program, Policy JFABDA – Admission of Students in Foster Care, Policy JK – Student Discipline, Policy JKD – Student Suspension, Policy JKE – Expulsion of Students, Policy JLH – Missing Students, and Regulation JRCA-R – Request for Transfer of Records

Mr. Ruiz read all the policies for the record and stated that these policies were explained at the first reading presentation in the October meeting.

Mr. Lopez made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Muñozcano for approval as presented.

Motion carried unanimously by member:
Lopez, Muñozcano, Rojas, and Ruiz

- b. Approval of Classroom Site Fund (CSF) Performance Pay Plan for School Year 2023-2024

Mayra Zuñiga and Asst. Superintendent Aissa Bonillas read the names of the committee members involved in the process.

Ms. Zuñiga explained that the total tally had been hand delivered to the Board and explained the plan and performance.

Mr. Rojas made a motion and was seconded by Cesar Lopez for approval as presented.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Rojas, Lopez, Muñozcano, and Ruiz

VII. Information and Discussion (None)

VIII. Requests for Future Agenda Items

None

IX. Adjournment

Ms. Muñozcano made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Rojas for adjournment of the public meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by members:
Muñozcano, Rojas, Lopez, and Ruiz

Session adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

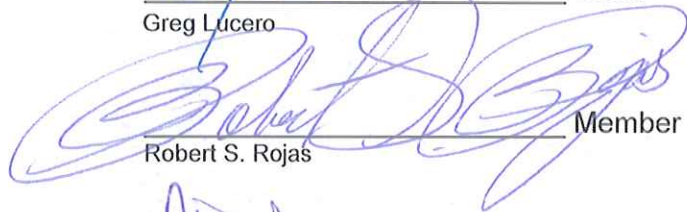


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