

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AGUA FRIA UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #216
District Office Boardroom
1481 N. Eliseo Felix Jr. Way, Avondale, AZ 85323
June 27, 2018

Mrs. Gina DeCoste, Clerk
Ms. Maxine Hill, Member
Mrs. Mariana Sandoval, Member (*late arrival at 5:32 p.m.*)
Mrs. Mary Kay Utecht, President

**BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT**

Mr. Tom Rosztoczy, Member

**BOARD MEMBERS
ABSENT**

Dr. Dennis Runyan, Superintendent
Mrs. Marcie Rodriguez, Executive Director, Finance
Mr. Mike Shepard, Executive Director, Support Services
Mrs. Sheila Sorenson, Executive Director, Human Resources
Mr. Patrick Becker, Director, Special Education
Dr. Grant Conway, Director, Curriculum and Instruction
Ms. Lyn Reid, English Language Arts Specialist

**ADMINISTRATORS
PRESENT**

Micaella Butterfield, Lisa Daily, Leticia DeLintt, Jeanette Maldonado, Dana McCarty

STAFF PRESENT

Jeannie Conway, Filipe Buez

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Utecht called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER –
PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

It was moved by Ms. Hill to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2018 Regular Board Meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. DeCoste and carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Mrs. Sandoval joined the meeting in progress at 5:32 p.m.

**MRS. SANDOVAL JOINS
THE MEETING**

The Call to Public agenda item allows individuals the opportunity to address the Governing Board on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Board. Comments are limited to three minutes per person. There was one request to speak:

CALL TO PUBLIC

Mrs. Sorenson read a written statement provided by Mr. Justin Blackburn, a community member, related to the country's fight for independence and freedom of speech. The three minute limit was enforced and Mrs. Utecht asked that the remainder of the statement yet unread be written into the minutes:

"To courageous, self-reliant men with confidence in the power of free and fearless reasoning applied through the processes of popular government, no danger flowing from speech can be deemed clear and present unless the incidence of the evil apprehended is so imminent that it may befall before

there is opportunity for full discussion. If there be time to expose through discussion the falsehood and fallacies, to avert the evil by the processes of education, the remedy to be applied is more speech, not enforced silence. Only an emergency can justify repression. Such must be the rule if authority is to be reconciled with freedom."

Mrs. Rodriguez provided an overview of the District's proposed Maintenance & Operations and District Additional Assistance Budgets for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. The proposed budget of \$57,781,355.00 is based on a projected Average Daily Membership (ADM) of 8,000 students. Arizona Revised Statute 15-905.01 requires that a public meeting be held to notify the residents and taxpayers of the District's intent to propose an increase in primary taxes effective July 1, 2018. The District proposes a .02 cent increase per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation.

The Arizona Department of Education is requiring that information on teacher salary averages be provided as part of the 2018-2019 budget documents. Mrs. Rodriguez reported the average teacher salary in the District is 57,441.00, including classroom teachers only, for fiscal year 2018-2019 as compared to \$49,356.00 for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. This is an approximate 16% increase. Mrs. Sandoval wanted it clarified that this is the increase that was earned by teachers as a result of the teacher strike.

It was moved by Ms. Hill to approve the publication of the District's proposed 2018-2019 Maintenance & Operations and District Additional Assistance Budgets and Notice of Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Mrs. DeCoste, and carried unanimously. The Public Hearing will be held on July 11, 2018 at 5:30 PM.

The District's agreement with smartschoolsplus, inc., provides continuation of employment services for employees who are eligible for retirement under the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS), but who have been offered contracts for the 2018-2019 school year. Participation in the smartschoolsplus, inc., program benefits the District by creating savings while retaining experienced and qualified employees.

It was moved by Mrs. DeCoste to approve the agreement with smartschoolsplus, inc. for the 2018-2019 school year. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Sandoval, and carried unanimously.

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Dr. Grant Conway, English Language Arts Specialist Ms. Lyn Reid and Read 180 Teacher Ms. Micaella Butterfield provided the Board with a presentation on the Read 180 program and the upgrade to that program. Components covered in their presentation included discussion about the benefits of the upgrade; the pilot and evaluation process that led to selection of the program; the cost of the upgrade; where the funding for the upgrade is coming from; lexile improvements; and planned trainings. Dr. Conway, Ms. Reid and Ms. Butterfield responded to questions from the Board related to clarification of per pupil costs, and the existence of year-end data. Mrs. Utecht requested a Study Session in November 2018 to include the year-end and incoming year data.

**APPROVAL OF
PUBLICATION OF 2018-
2019 DISTRICT BUDGET
AND AUTHORIZATION
TO HOLD A PUBLIC
HEARING**

**APPROVAL OF THE
RENEWAL OF THE
AGREEMENT WITH
SMARTSCHOOLS**

**PRESENTATION ON
READ 180 AND
APPROVAL OF SOLE
SOURCE
PROCUREMENT FOR
READ 180**

It was moved by Ms. Hill to approve sole source procurement with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for the upgrade to Read 180. The motion was seconded by Mrs. DeCoste, and carried unanimously.

BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mrs. Sandoval moved the approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items 6.2 Ratification of Human Resource Report and 6.5 Extension and Renewal of Annual Contracts for Goods and Services for 2018-2019 School Year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hill, and carried unanimously. The following items were approved:

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVED. Consent Agenda Item 6.3, *Consideration of Approval of Out-of-State Travel Requests, including:

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS

Anne Wisener, Director of Career and Technical Education (CTE), to attend the FBLA National Conference, June 27-July 2, 2018 in Baltimore, Maryland. *This was a ratification of an out-of-state trip that was administratively approved by Dr. Runyan and Mr. Huffman on June 12, 2018.*

Christine King, Math Teacher, Canyon View High School, to attend the National Math and Science Initiative (NMSI) Laying the Foundation SI in Cleveland, Ohio, July 16-21, 2018.

Elda Luna-Najera, Licensed Social Worker, to attend the 2018 Annual Conference on Advancing School Mental Health, October 11-13, 2018 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

APPROVED. Consent Agenda Item 6.4 *Renewal of Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Greater Phoenix Education Management Council for the provision of education services and programs for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023.

RENEWAL OF IGA WITH GREATER PHOENIX EDUCATION MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

APPROVED. Consent Agenda Item 6.6, *Disposal of Obsolete Technology Equipment that is fully depreciated and has no remaining useful life.

DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT

APPROVED. Consent Agenda Item 6.7, *Ratification of Payroll Vouchers #1028-1035 and Expense Vouchers #8077-8088. Vouchers represent orders for payment of material, equipment, salaries and services.

PAYROLL AND EXPENSE VOUCHERS

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Utecht pulled Item 6.2, *Ratification of Human Resource Report from the Consent Agenda to express her objection to the recommendation for hire of the Data Interventionist at Desert Edge. Her objection was with what she viewed as a change in the position approval process and not with the individual being recommended. Mrs. Utecht moved the approval of the Human Resource Report with the exception of the Data Interventionist position. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hill, but did not carry with two “yes” and two “no” votes (Utecht/DeCoste).

HUMAN RESOURCE REPORT

There was additional discussion and agreement between the Board and Administration that in the future, before any new positions are advertised, the Board have an opportunity to hear a Study Session presentation on the staffing need, position recommendation and funding source prior to advertisement of any new position. With that agreed upon, it was then moved by Ms. Hill to approve the Human Resource Report containing the hiring of new employees, reassignments, requests for leave of absence, resignations, retirements, terminations, extra duty assignments and volunteers as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Utecht, and carried unanimously. **APPROVED.**

Mrs. Sandoval pulled Item 6.5 *Extension and Renewal of Annual Contracts for Goods and Services for the 2018-2019 School Year, from the Consent Agenda to gain clarification regarding the bidding process. It was then moved by Mrs. Sandoval to extend and renew the annual contracts for goods and services for the 2018-2019 school year. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Utecht, and carried unanimously. **APPROVED.** The annual contracts extended and renewed were:

RFP 14-05-22 to Chick-Fil-A for chicken sandwiches;
RFP 14-04-30 to Wells Fargo for banking services;
RFP 14-08-29 to Bel-Aire Mechanical for maintenance and operation of central plants;
FP 15-03-26 to Jostens for student handbooks, diplomas, caps, gowns, class rings and other graduation products;
RFP 15-03-20 to Pepsi Beverage Company for beverages;
IFB 16-04-25 to Domino's Pizza LLC for pizza;
RFP 16-05-13 to Super Cool Kids Therapy, LLC for occupational therapy services;
RFP 16-05-13A to Don McPhee, Grads Photography for photography services;
RFP 16-09-14 to Team Sport Outfitters, Rainbow Graffixx and Buddy's All Stars for clothing and apparel;
IFB 17-03-01 to Southern Counties Oil Co. for bulk fuel;
RFP 17-03-16 to Arrow Stage Lines, All Aboard America, Arizona Corporate Coach LLC for motor coach services;
RFP 17-03-17 More Than Words Speech Therapy Services for speech pathologist services.

Mrs. DeCoste - Summer School Graduation earlier this morning was a very nice and enjoyable event.

Ms. Hill – Summer Success Program is very impressive.

Mrs. Sandoval – Attendance at the recent NALEO (National Association of Latino Elected Officials) Summer Conference and a great workshop on school lunch programs with expansion and funding opportunities.

Mrs. Sandoval – requested a Study Session on expansion of the District school lunch program and funding opportunities. September 2018 was agreed on for the Study Session in order for the new Food Services Director to come onboard and get the school year off to a start.

Mrs. Utecht – requested Administration contact Dr. Bill Parrott with Boise State University regarding his availability for a Board workshop.

Mrs. Utecht – requested a presentation at a Board meeting on video and live streaming options, including costs.

*EXTENSION/RENEWAL OF
ANNUAL CONTRACTS FOR
GOODS AND SERVICES
FOR THE 2018-2019
SCHOOL YEAR*

**GOVERNING BOARD
MEMBER REPORTS**

**FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS**

It was moved by Mrs. Sandoval, seconded by Mrs. Utecht, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m. **ADJOURNMENT**

** Complete and approved lists/reports are available upon request in the Superintendent's Office and/or can be found as posted with the June 27, 2018 agenda on BoardDocs.*

President	_____
Clerk	_____
Member	_____
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Superintendent	_____