



Sahuarita Unified School District No. 30

*Sahuarita High School
Sahuarita Intermediate School
Sopori Elementary School*

*Sahuarita Middle School
Sahuarita Primary School
Anza Trail School*

Office of the Superintendent

**REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
6:30 P.M. – FEBRUARY 28, 2007 – SUSD DISTRICT AUDITORIUM
350 W. SAHUARITA RD, SAHUARITA, AZ 85629**

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Tom Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Also in attendance were Mike Lurkins, Martin McGee, Superintendent Dr. Jay C. St. John, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Manny Valenzuela and Director of Business Services Charlotte Gates. Clerk of the Board Diana Kellermeyer and Board Member Elaine Hall were absent. There were 77 guests. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. St. John recommended approval of the agenda as it was distributed. Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Lurkins. The motion carried.

III. Approval and Ratification of Vouchers

Mrs. Gates recommended ratification of previously approved payroll voucher 16 in the amount of \$769,613.51, new payroll voucher 18 for the pay period ending March 9, 2007 in the amount not to exceed \$900,000.00, new payroll voucher 19 for the pay period ending March 23, 2007 in the amount not to exceed \$900,000.00 and new payroll voucher 20 for the pay period ending April 6, 2007 in the amount not to exceed \$900,000.00. She further recommended approval of expense vouchers 7555-7557 in the amount of \$818,914.96. Mr. Lurkins made the motion and was seconded by Mr. McGee. The motion carried.

IV. Call to the Public

Tera Wech, District Patron and Parent in the District spoke on behalf of a class size committee that is being formed. They are concerned with the class sizes in the district. They would like to work with the Board to come up with a solution. They have held three meetings.

V. Recognition of Staff, Students and Community

Each year the local Green Valley Elks Club honors an outstanding and distinguished citizen in the community who by his/her example in leadership and service sets a positive standard for everyone to follow. This year the Citizen of the year award was given to Dr. Jay St. John.

VI. New Business

A. Personnel – Discussion and Possible Action

1. Recommendation for 2007-2008 Staffing

Dr. St. John presented information regarding staffing requests. The total amount of teachers the administrators feel they need is 29. The district, at this time, cannot support this amount. The amount that the district has to devote to salaries of new teachers is \$740,000.00. Dr. St. John recommended approval of 16 new teaching positions as follows:

SHS – 4 ; SMS – 1; SIS – 1; SPS – 2; Anza Trail – 5; Sopori – 1; Student Services – 2.

Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Lurkins. The motion carried.

B. Business – Discussion and Possible Action

1. Revision of Fiscal 2006/07 Budget – ATTACHMENT A

Mrs. Gates presented the Revision of the Fiscal 2006/2007 Budget. In accordance with Arizona Revised Statute 15-905 school districts may revise their budget prior to May 15th. This revision of the fiscal year 2006-07 budget includes the following:

- Sudden Growth for FY 06-07
- Recalculation of Budget carry forward

Mrs. Gates recommended approval of the revision. Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Lurkins. The motion carried.

2. Request for Advance Based on Growth

Mrs. Gates recommended ratification of the Request for Advance Based on Growth. Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Lurkins.

3. Parent Fee for Athletics

Mr. McKee provided Dr. St. John with information regarding other schools whose students are asked to pay to participate in athletics. Dr. St. John recommended considering this option. Mrs. Gates stated that she feels the district should not consider this option due to the fact that when the M&O Override was passed the community was told they would only have to pay if it didn't pass. President Tom Murphy stated that he would like this item to be information only until it can be researched and taken to the community for their response.

4. Bid #2007-6 Sale of Portable Building

On February 22, 2007 at 2:00pm, the Opening of Sealed Bid #2007-6 regarding the sale of Portable Building located at Sahuarita Park resulted in one response for the amount of \$3,200. This amount includes the double wide portable classroom building, Serial Number (S) R-4714-2040B, R4712-204A, plus ramp and stairs. Dr. St. John recommended accepting the bid amount of \$3,200 offered by Phyllis Serrine. Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Lurkins. The motion carried.

VII. Superintendent/Administrative Reports

Dr. Manny Valenzuela thanked the members of the Board who were able to attend the District Literacy Volunteer recognition and tea. It was wonderful to recognize over 60 of approximately 130 literacy volunteers.

Mrs. Charlotte Gates stated that the Food Services RFP Bid opening was today. Four vendors responded and submitted bids. The committee will meet and hope to have a recommendation in April.

She received an email this afternoon informing the district that the constitutional limit override was approved by the legislature so the district will not have to reduce the budget by approximately \$25,000.00.

Dr. Barbara Smith advised the Board that on Monday and Wednesday of next week, the district is having crisis intervention stress management training at SPS. All the Board members were invited.

Dr. St. John - District enrollment is 4297.

1. Upcoming Events

He will be attending the SFB meeting in Phoenix tomorrow. The district's attorney, Spencer Smith, will be attending with him. They will be challenging the value of the land donated for the Anza Trail School

The Job Fair is on March 5th.

Charlotte and Jay have set up a meeting to discuss how the Sopori pool will be handled during the summer.

2. Recent Events

Attended a preschool through grade 20 council meeting with the President of UofA

Attended an ASA Legislative meeting

Attended the Business Education Roundtable Board meeting

Meet twice with the Country Fair White Elephant Board

Attended the Elks meeting honoring the Teacher of the Year

Meet with Park Corporation, those who own the land on La Canada, they are willing to sell the property. The district is pursuing this with SFB

Meet with representatives from New Mexico who wanted to learn more about construction in Arizona.

Attended a Superintendent's meeting and Metropolitan Education Commission meeting

While in Las Vegas, Dr. Jay had the opportunity to listen to Thomas Friedman; Author of The Work is Flat.

Meet with Mr. Chuck Lund, Executive Director of the Green Valley Performing Arts Council.

Dr. Valenzuela and Dr. Jay met with a representative from the Flowing Wells Extension Service to review the LINK program to see if programmatic changes and improvements.

3. Miscellaneous

Entrances and exits at the high school are under construction.

VIII. Consent Agenda – Action

Dr. St. John recommended approval of those items on the Consent Agenda, as they are routine items. Mr. Lurkins made the motion and was seconded by Mr. McGee. The motion carried

A. Employment

1. Hector Romero, Counseling Secretary – SHS – Replacement – Change in Position for Hector — Effective 03/01/07

B. Approval of Addendums

1. Mary Jo Boyter, Oasis Volunteer Site Coordinator – SPS – Ratification to 02/08/07
2. Cynthia Gettinger, Oasis Volunteer Site Coordinator – Sopori – Ratification to 02/08/07
3. Cynthia Lynch, Oasis Volunteer Site Coordinator – Anza Trail – Ratification to 02/08/07
4. Suzanne Rowland, Oasis Volunteer Site Coordinator – SIS – Ratification to 02/08/07
5. David Watson, Track Coach – Replacement – SMS – Effective Spring 2007

- C. Approval of New Guest Teachers**, Charlotte Biggers, Nancy Ermoian, Susie Eutizi, Ann Heersink, Janelle Kipp, Helen McAloon, Matt Pequegnat, Cindy Salvino, Cathy Schroder, Jan Tenney

D. Resignations/Terminations/Separations

1. Bennie Barfield, Jr., Campus Monitor – Anza Trail – Resignation Effective 03/09/07
2. Kathy Cease, Inclusion Health Assistant – Project Inspire – Resignation Effective 02/16/07
3. Joan Mihalko, Math Teacher – SHS – Retirement Effective 05/25/07
4. Janet Salazar, Bus Driver Trainee – Transportation – Termination Effective 02/12/07
5. Roberto Tello, Auditorium Technician – SHS – Termination Effective 02/14/07

E. Volunteers

1. Catherine E. Bennett – SPS – Effective 02/28/07

2. Lana Chaffee – Anza Trail or SIS – Effective 02/28/07
3. Jan M. Dougherty – Anza Trail or SIS – Effective 02/28/07
4. Sandra Easley – Anza Trail or SHS – Effective 02/28/07
5. Barbara Jankowski – SIS or SPS – Effective 02/28/07
6. Andrea Lawlor – SIS – Effective 02/28/07
7. Marilyn Maher – SIS – Effective 02/28/07
8. Kay Suzanne Poppaw – SPS, SIS or Anza Trail – Effective 02/28/07
9. Arlette Stewart – SPS – Effective 02/28/07
10. Lisa Vandermaas, Anza Trail – Effective 02/28/07

F. Gifts & Donations

1. Lara & Stacey Abend - \$300.00 – SUSD Job Fair
2. Country Fair White Elephant - \$30,000.00 – SMS
3. ScholarshipAmerica - \$1000.00 – SPS
4. Deborah McClintic – HP Pavilion mx75 monitor – Anza Trail

G. Facilities Use & Property Rental

1. S.T.O.P. – District Swimming Pool, SHS Gym and Cafeteria, Use of a District Bus – Grad Nite 05/24/07 to 05/25/07
2. Sahuarita Stingray Swim Team – Pre-season practices, April 3 – May 17, 2-3 days/week from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Regular competitive season if from May-29-July 13 weekday mornings from 6:30am to 10:30am and Tuesday, Thursday s and possible some Saturdays for meets. Tuesday and Thursday meets would be from 5:00pm to 10:00pm and Saturday meets would be from 7:00am to 11:00am.
3. Town of Sahuarita Summer Swimming Program – Use of the pool, pool office and restrooms from May 21st through August 6, 2007. Schedule of hours of use to be provided later.
4. The Rock Church – Freshman Team Baseball Field (field at SPS) for an Easter Egg Hunt on March 31, 2007 from 7:30am to 1:30pm.

IX. Board Communication

X. Establish Next Board Meeting – March 28, 2007, 6:30 PM, SUSD Auditorium

XI. Executive Session

1. Mr. Lurkins moved the Board enter executive session pursuant to §A.R.S. 15-843 to hear the appeal of the decision of the hearing officer in a long-term suspension hearing – Discussion and possible action. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. The time was 7:55pm. The Board returned to regular session and adjourned the meeting at 8:17pm.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm. Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Lurkins. The motion carried.

Respectfully,

Clerk of the Board