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MINUTES
REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
MARCH 10, 2010– 6:30 P.M. DISTRICT AUDITORIUM, POD B
350 W. SAHUARITA ROAD – SAHUARITA, AZ 85629

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Mike Lurkins called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Also in attendance were Board Clerk, Tom Murphy, Members Elaine Hall, Diana Kellermeyer, and Kris Ham, Superintendent Dr. Jay C. St. John, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Manny Valenzuela, and Business Manager Charlotte Gates. There were 111 guests. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

II. Approval of Agenda

The superintendent recommended approval of the agenda as it was revised. Mr. Murphy made the motion and was seconded by Mrs. Ham. The motion carried.

III. Approval of Minutes – None

IV. Approval and Ratification of Vouchers

Mrs. Gates recommended ratification of previously approved payroll Vouchers 17 in the amount totaling \$953,762.10, new payroll #21 for the period ending April 16, 2010, in the amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 and new payroll #22 for the period ending April 30, 2010, in the amount not to exceed \$2,000,000. She further recommended approval of expense vouchers 1056 through 1058 in the amount of \$438,705.82. The motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Kellermeyer. The motion carried.

V. Call to the Public - None

Recognition of Staff, Students and Community

- A. District Office Art Projects:** Larissa Laine, Art Teacher, SHS; Sunny Engelbeck, 11th Grade SHS; Brenda Wright, 12th Grade, SHS; Cathy O'Connor, Payroll Specialist, District Office.

Dr. Valenzuela recognized Larissa Laine and her students for the mural that the art students painted in the New District Office Conference Room. In addition, he also recognized Cathy O'Connor for the mural she painted in the in the reception area of the New District Office.

Pictures of the murals were presented to the Board to recognize their work.

- B. SUSD #30 Spelling Bee Top Speller & County Spelling Bee Top Ten Speller:** Abbye Porro, 5th Grader at Anza Trail.

Mrs. Kathy Shiba recognized Abbye Porro, 5th Grader at Anza Trail for winning the District Spelling Bee and to recognize her for being the top ten students in the county spelling bee.

- C. March “Leaders in Character” Honorees** – Julia Majalca, 3rd Grade, Sopori; Carly Devine, 1st Grade, Anza Trail; Byron Brown, 2nd Grade, SPS; Oswaldo Rueda, 4th Grade, SIS; Presley Hume, 8th Grade, SMS; Bradley Harris, 12th Grade, SHS.

Dr. Valenzuela introduced the following March “Leaders in Character” Honorees – Julia Majalca, 3rd Grade, Sopori; Carly Devine, 1st Grade, Anza Trail; Byron Brown, 2nd Grade, SPS; Oswaldo Rueda, 4th Grade, SIS; Presley Hume, 8th Grade, SMS; Bradley Harris, 12th Grade, SHS. The Governing Board recognized the above students for their excellent display of leadership and service among their peers at each of their perspective schools. Each student received a framed certificate and a gift certificate to Borders thanks to the sponsors of Freeport McMoRan. Dr. Valenzuela thanked Freeport McMoRan for sponsoring the program.

VII. New Business

A. Business – Discussion and Possible Action

1. Naming of the District’s New Superintendent – Name to be announced.

Dr. St. John stated the following: Several times in my career I had the pleasure of recommending exceptional people to join our organization. Six years ago the Governing Board and I discussed the position of Assistant Superintendent of Schools. We agreed that the explosive growth of the student population warranted that position. We also discussed the fact that I intended to retire at age 62 and felt that it would be appropriate to hire and train my replacement. The Governing Board gave me that direction and the direction was carried out. We started the hiring process and I called my good friend Dr. John Pedicone (because John, being much older than I am, was actually teaching leadership classes at the U of A and was familiar with potential candidates). I asked him who was out there that he could recommend. Without hesitation he said, Manny Valenzuela. I said, “Never heard of him”. John, among other references that I checked, told me I could not go wrong with Manny.

After completing the hiring process and in preparation of making my recommendation to the Governing Board, I reflected on my choice. Manny is intelligent, has a comprehensive knowledge of curriculum and instruction, is loyal, dependable, works hard, writes well, speaks well, has personal integrity, and possesses the ethical and moral standards that were so necessary for that position.

For the past five years, he has lived up to our expectations. He understands Hersey and Blanchard’s Leadership Theory as well as anyone I have ever known. We have been working together on the practical applications of that theory. Manny put us all through the process of establishing our CORE Principals. We have been working on the three rules of administration. They are as follows:

1. **The Keep Kids First Rule** – I will expect him to announce at the opening day workshop, his own way, that he will listen to any employee or parent who indicates we have a policy procedure or practice that does not Keep Kids First and change it if he can be convinced that we do not.
2. **The Kristen Rule** – If we have a classroom with a teacher that he would not put Kristen in then that classroom teacher needs to find a new career.

3. **The News Chopper 13 Rule** – If News Chopper 13 lands in our parking lot and asks for an explanation of policy, procedure, practice, or employee behavior and he cannot defend the District's action then they should not be doing it.

It is my pleasure that I am recommending that Dr. Manuel O. Valenzuela be named Superintendent of Schools of Sahuarita Unified School District #30 as of July 1, 2010. The motion to approve Dr. Manuel O. Valenzuela at the District's Superintendent of Schools was made by Mrs. Kellermeyer and was seconded by Mrs. Hall. The motion carried.

Dr. Valenzuela thanked Dr. St. John for his kind words and stated the following: Those of you who know me, knows that I'm not a person of few words. I would be remised if I did not say a few things. It is great to be here to share this special moment with such special people and I can't help but think about the fact that almost 40 years ago my parents, Manny and Amelia Valenzuela, took their young five year old child to Homer Davis Elementary School as what we now called an English Language Learner. They came to this country with the belief that all things are possible and that through the power of an education, dreams can come true. I'm here to thank you Mom and Dad for that message and for the way you lived your lives in the example that you've always set for me and the whole family. That has always been very inspiring and it now feels me and motivates me on a day to day basis in terms of why I come to work every day and why that same belief is the reason why we work together as a team, as administrators, as faculty, and staff, with our community and Board to provide every child with that opportunity. This is a dream come true professionally and I am very grateful for the opportunity. We know that dreams don't come true in a vacuum and for that I wish to say thank you.

I believe that one of the most important things a Governing Board does of which it is entrusted in its duty is the selection and the appointment of a Superintendent. I thank each of you individually and collectively for the tremendous trust you have placed in me. I promise that I will everyday work to the best of my ability to validate that trust.

To Dr. St. John, I tell you thank you for identifying me to come here and for inviting me to be a part of your team. It has been an invaluable experience thus far. The formal lessons that I learned, the risks that you have allowed me to take, the challenges that you presented to me to help me grow and learn, and be the best that I can be has made all the difference in the world. You have given me the confidence to go forward, even in these challenging times with optimism, hope, and belief that we will continue to chart a course on a positive trajectory.

I would like to also thank my colleges on the administrative team, faculty staff, and students we are in this together. I'm blessed to work with such a wonderful group of colleagues and I would like to say thank my wonderful Flowing Wells colleagues who came down and are here today. They have been my Junior High School Principal, my High School Principal, my bosses, my mentors, my coaches, my professors, my doctoral program advisors, and mostly my friends. I say thank you to Dr. John Pedicone, Mrs. Shirley Fisher, Dr. Bob Hendricks, Mrs. Suzy Heinz, and Dr. Ranada Kempasky. I would like to thank my family who is here. I have the most supportive and wonderful family. I would like to also introduce the rest of my family members who were at the Board meeting tonight. My in-laws Jack and Virginia Lopez who are like second parents to me, I love them dearly, my wonderful nephew, Gilbert and sister-in-law Patty. Once again, I say thank you to my wonderful Mom and Dad, my brother Ed who is here supporting me. It is impossible to do the job well and to be effective without a tremendous amount of support, love, and patience from your family and I have been blessed with that. I have two wonderful daughters, they are not only beautiful on the outside but they are wonderful girls, they are so patient, they put up with my corky sense of humor, the late

nights, and they do it all with a smile on their faces. They are the joy of our lives. Last by design, is my wonderful wife Sandra, who has been my wife for almost 21 years and has been the most patient, the most loving, the most supportive, and the most encouraging person that I could ever have as a wife. She has really encouraged and allowed so much of what I have been able to pursue professionally and what we have been able to do together for students. So Sandra, I say thank you! It's a partnership, we do it together and I go further knowing that you are at my side and we are doing it together and I love you very much and I say, "Thank You".

2. Naming of the New High School

At the last Board meeting, the Board was given a list of suggested names for naming the new high school. The District has placed a link on the District web site for members of the community who have suggestions in naming the new high school. In addition, we had a voicemail box for suggestions. Lizette was kind enough to clear those out and come up with a list. Dr. St. John stated that the list is rather interesting. As you well know, the high school is under construction and they are going to start pouring concrete. Later in my report we will talk about what is going on with the School Facilities Board. Right now I think that it is important to establish a name and then give an opportunity for the students of the new school do designate the mascot and school colors. Dr. St. John reminded the Board that the District is responsible for naming facilities, and that the Board is the District.

The Board asked for Dr. St. John to read the suggestions and they are as follows:

Names:

1. Copper Hills High School
2. Pecan Valley High School
3. Rancho High School
4. Mesquite High School
5. Madera High School Home of the Eagles
6. Madera Canyon High School
7. Santa Cruz High School
8. Chaparral High School
9. Ocotillo High School
10. Park Place High School
11. Roadrunner High School
12. Southwest High School
13. Kino High School
14. Hohokam High School
15. Quail Creek High School
16. Keith Walden High School
17. Walden Grove High School
18. Walden Valley High School
19. Park High School – Received 3/4/10
20. Ravenswood High School – Received 02/27/10
21. Suggested to name the new high school after someone who has worked in and/or for the District for over 20 years.

Examples of names given:

- Dr. Ken Gose
- Charles Oldham
- Martin McGee

Mascots:

1. Miners
2. Eagles
3. Ravens – Received 02/27/10

Colors:

1. Black and Gold

Mr. Lurkins stated that he was leaning towards Walden Grove High School or Walden Valley High School because the Walden's have donated the high school land and are not asking for anything in return. He stated that either one of these two names would be fine with him. Mrs. Kellermeyer agreed. Mrs. Hall's only concern was that this may set a precedent and may give an impression that any developer who donates land to us is going to have a school named after them. Mrs. Kellermeyer stated that precedent does not exist and that no matter what the naming of the school is the Board's responsibility and schools should be named whatever we'd like. It does fall in with our own policy which says that the facilities can be named after people who've done significant things in the District or geographical landmarks. Those two options fit those criteria's.

Mr. Lurkins recommended naming the new high school Walden Grove High School. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kellermeyer. The motion carried.

3. Response to SFB Appraisal of Anza Trail

At the last Board meeting we discussed the fact that the School Facilities Board (SFB) had offered a settlement in the appraisal situation with Anza Trail. SFB was ordered by the court to go back to September of 2005 and do an appraisal. They offered the District the lowest \$44,000 and we countered with \$147,000. The Board asked for specific information at the last Board meeting as to how much money we've spent over the last three years. The District has spent \$19,500 on legal expenses. Dr. St. John's immediate reaction is that it is not fair and that if the Board wants to settle, we will. The problem is that it's not keeping kids first because their job is to help us to build buildings and SFB does not talk the talk. Dr. St. John mentioned that he has scheduled time to discuss this with the District attorney because the item has been moved from the March 3, 2010 to the April 7th Board agenda. Dr. St. John requested a copy of the newest appraisal which is worse than the last one they did. We will take a look at it to see if it makes any sense. At the last Board meeting the Board approved for Dr. St. John and the District attorney to go up to the SFB meeting on the 7th to see what is going on. We are in a delicate situation as we are asking them for funding for the high school. Dr. St. John does not feel that the property that the District valued at the time of the transfer of the title was \$4,375,000 and SFB is now saying it is worth \$2,750,000 which is not even in the ball park. Dr. St. John stated that the approval of his recommendation was given at the last Board meeting but the Board requested this specific piece of information to be provided and now providing the information requested. No action is needed on this item.

4. Approval to Accept ASBAIT Renewal for FY 2010/2011 ++

Dr. St. John stated that the District has three health insurance plans through ASBAIT. Plan A is going up 3%, plan B is staying neutral, and the family plan is reducing \$21.00 a month. Dr. St. John recommended accepting ASBAIT's renewal for the FY 2010-2011. The motion to accept ASBAIT's renewal for the FY 2010-2011 was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Ham. The motion carried.

5. Approval of Out of State/Out of Country/ Overnight Travel Form For Staff and Students++

Dr. St. John recommended approval of the Approval of Out of State/Out of Country/ Overnight Travel Form For Staff and Students in order to be added as a form in our policy manual. He stated that we will get this out to the staff and let them know that they can make check request rather than always depending on the central office and using the much aligned District credit card. The motion to approve the Approval of Out of State/Out of Country/ Overnight Travel Form For Staff and Students was made by Mrs. Hall and seconded by Mrs. Hall. The motion carried.

B. Governing Board – Discussion and Possible Action

1. ASBA Proposed Action Agenda Items for FY2011

Dr. St. John stated that the Governing Board may want to consider proposing action agenda items for the ASBA legislative platform. Proposals are due to Lizette Huie by the close of business on April 14, 2010.

2. Election of Delegate to ASBA Delegate Assembly on June 26, 2010

Dr. St. John recommended that the Governing Board appoint a delegate and alternate to the ASBA Delegate Assembly that is held annually in June. Mr. Lurkins asked Mrs. Ham if she would be able attend and Mrs. Ham agreed to do so. Mr. Lurkins recommended to elect Kris Ham as the Delegate and Mr. Murphy as the Alternate and was seconded by Mrs. Kellermeyer. The motion carried.

Mrs. Hall added that there is also a delegate voting at the December conference. The Delegates vote twice. Mrs. Hall confirmed that this is a two part job, once in July and the other in December.

VIII. Superintendent/Administrative Reports

Dr. St. John – District enrollment is at 5,057: 1,326 - Anza; 1,407 – SHS; 601 – SIS; 688 – SMS; 821 (123 @ ECC); SPS; 212 – Sopori.

Upcoming events: Spring break is next week. Dr. St. John will be attending a 40 year GVR celebration Thursday afternoon. Friday morning Dr. St. John will be participating in the Workforce Investment Board Panel at PCC. I think some people forget that we are an economic engine in our community. Other than Freeport McMoRan, the school District is the largest employer in town. He will also be meeting with Freeport McMoRan this week. In addition, Dr. St. John will be attending the Superintendent Collaborative next week. Construction meetings have been called off for next week. MEC would like for Dr. St. John to meet with Supervisor Ray Carroll about some funding situations with the MEC next week.

Dr. St. John stated that we have a fallback position if the funding from SFB does not come through that we can afford. It will go back to the original size of the high school before the SFB asked us to increase it. We have a plan in place to do that and will have some strong numbers by the 14th of April.

Dr. St. John and Dr. Valenzuela made a presentation to the Town Council and asked for them to be involved in the new school site across the street. They expect to make a decision by the end of the month. At the next Board meeting, Dr. St. John will be bringing a Board item to the Board to resend the 26 pink slips that had to be sent out. Promises made promises kept. We told the community we would have to give out 26 pink slips. The community graciously passed the override to call these back. Dr. St. John stated that we have so many problems on our high school football field that I have our architects, engineers, and high school looking at artificial surfaces for the football field. He stated that the District has water problems and it is everywhere. CORE has been out on campus taking pictures of the water when it rains to see what is currently happening. Dr. St. John stated we have a mess and thinks that we will have to build a really strong drainage system so that we do not lose the track again. We are seriously looking at an artificial surfacing. George with support from Daryl has indicated to us that we could probably save between from \$50,000 - \$100,000 a year just in maintenance and water costs. The District is always fined because of the high usage of water the District uses to operate. This continues to be a problem and anything that we can do to reduce our water consumption would be great. Artificial surfacing are now warranties for 20 years.

Scott Downs for Tina Steward – Recent events at SPS include: Celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday. First grade students went on their annual field trip to the Reid Park Zoo. Lighted School House 'Game Night' was a lot of fun. Monthly Owl assembly took place last Friday and recognized student achievements and those students who represent SPS well by making good choices. Kindergarten teachers are visiting the ECC to observe and work together to create an easier transition to attend the Primary school next year. ECC students will be visiting SPS to participate in familiar activities and physical surroundings.

Harold Ramsey – Congratulated Dr. Valenzuela on his promotion. February miles include 66,009 miles total. At the last meeting Harold reported that only half of the cameras on the busses were working. He reported that the video camera company will be down next week to inspect the cameras to get them all up and running. February was an accident free month.

Desi Raulston – Tomorrow Sopori is having a Sword in the Stone production at 1:30 p.m. and Friday is Sopori's Annual Kit Day. According to the historians of the community, it has been held for over 50 years. Childs play performance will take place on March 22nd at 8:30 a.m. provided by Freeport McMoRan. Recent events include an astronomy club star party. Mrs. Raulston recognized Ms. Lauren Sage for organizing Sopori's career days. Mrs. Raulston stated that Dr. Valenzuela has been a great mentor and colleague. A long time ago he had given Desi some advice and now it was her turn. First, this is not a race or a sprint to the finish line but a marathon. This is a wonderful journey and opportunity as a leader and continuation to learning. As the spirit of the Olympics, Dr. St. John and the Governing Board, has given you the torch as Dr. St. John has crossed the finish line. Of course, he has been tugged a little bit along the way. As Dr. Valenzuela embarks on his journey he is going to need some items. Mrs. Raulston provided water and a hat for his marathon and it has an "S" which represents the Sahuarita School District. Sahuarita is a strong and special place and it is hard to explain, but as we come together as a school and community of Bobcats, Cougars, Coyote's, Jaguars, and Owls with one day becoming mustangs. We are committed to help all of our students as we follow our CORE Values and beliefs of integrity, customer service,

excellence, student achievements, and safety. As Dr. Valenzuela embarks on his new journey as Superintendent, the water may fade, the hat may thread, but you still have the "S" to represent the Sahuarita students. Keep those students interest in your heart and continue to strive to be the best you can be! We are proud of you, Congratulations!

Carol Roman – SIS PTP just finished the Little Cesar Pizza delivery and raised over \$3,000 to benefit technology in the classrooms. SIS recognized Mrs. Roman's recommendation for Teacher of the Year is a 5th grade Teacher, Melissa Hughes. Next Tuesday is SIS Child's Play presentation sponsored by Freeport McMoRan. On Wednesday, March 24th we have a culmination to our 5th grade Swine activity who Kris Ham is presenting to our 5th graders. The "Kiss the Pig" contest which students will donate money to nominate a staff member to kiss "Daisy" the pig.

Kathy Shiba – Thanked the Sahuarita community and everyone who worked so hard on getting the override passed but for mostly for putting kids first in our community. Last week, Mrs. Shiba presented to architects on learning styles. Mrs. Shiba will be attending the NASSP National Conference held in Phoenix. On Friday, Anza Trail will hold a spring dance. During spring break, Anza Band members will be attending the State Band competition. Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up and Teachers are gearing on for that. Awards assemblies are on the 29th and 30th of March. Thanked the Board for their wonderful support and for the wonderful teachers who make things happen.

Stephanie Silman – This week we have the band and orchestra participating at festivals in Tucson. SMS also has their third quarter dance this Friday. The 8th grade Science Olympiad students are going to the Catalina Marine Institute this week. The softball and boys and girls track season start on March 22nd. SMS hosted a McFun night last Tuesday and raised over \$700.00 for 8th grade promotion. The band and orchestra also hosted a joint concert with the high school orchestra last Tuesday which was a well attended event. Career day was held last Wednesday with over 50 volunteers on our campus representing a wide variety of professions. Mrs. Silman thanked Aprylmarie Vassor and John Haas for organizing the career day event. Over 100 students attended a Diamondback spring training game last Thursday as part of the SMS PBIS incentive.

Dr. Mark Neish – Thanked the community for the passing of the override. Mr. Carlton and Ms. Greene did a customary excellent job in getting the AIMS testing organized and conducted, hopefully the scores will match the organizational aspects of it. SHS conducted their first graduation meeting to prepare for the ceremony. The bleachers are fairly completed on the football field. Spring sports are fully engaged now and a baseball tournament will take place this weekend. Coach Fanning took the team to Wickenburg last weekend and won that tournament. SHS will now be able to begin scheduling as we were waiting for the results of yesterday's override and now we can begin scheduling.

Kevin Harcourt – One of the pleasures of being in this business is that you get to see the children that you worked with go on to accomplish great things as they grow up. One student is Brad Harris from the high school as he wrestled for Mr. Harcourt in middle school and not only did he come in second he was the state runner up this year. It is great to see the qualities that he had as a student in middle school are still the qualities that he is being recognized for as a Leader in Character. In today's Sahuarita Sun, there was an article on a teacher of Anza Trail, Sarah Brelsford who again, when she was in middle school she was an outstanding student and she continues to be an outstanding person doing a great job teaching our children at Anza Trail as a Kindergarten teacher.

IX. Consent Agenda – Action

The superintendent recommends approval of those items on the Consent Agenda as posted. Mr. Murphy made the motion and was seconded by Mrs. Ham. The motion carried.

A. Employment / Change of Status /Transfers

1. Kevin Harcourt, Sports Aide, SHS, New Hire – Effective 02/06/10
2. Bill Wildish, Sports Aide, SHS, New Hire – Effective 02/06/10

B. Resignations / Terminations / Separations

1. Troy Casias, Building & Grounds Tech, Maintenance, Resignation – Effective 02/24/10
2. Judy Cutler, Curriculum Writer/Grand Coordinator, District, Resignation – Effective 05/21/10
3. Eduardo Escobedo, Spanish Teacher, SHS, Resignation – Effective 05/21/10
4. Veronica Lopez, ECC Classroom Lead, ECC, Termination – Effective 03/10/10
5. Dr. Jay C. St. John, Superintendent of Schools, Retiring – Effective 07/01/10
6. Douglas Walters, Math Teacher, SHS, Resignation – Effective 05/21/10
7. Elisha Wintch, School Psychologist, SHS, Resignation – Effective 05/21/10

C. Approval of Leave of Absence Request

1. Darby Downs, 3rd Grade Teacher, SIS – 2010-2011 School Year

D. Addendum

1. Amy Abrahamson, Softball, Anza Trail – Effective 03/01/10
2. Nataly Van Alstine, Softball, Anza Trail – Effective 03/01/10

E. Volunteers

1. Kelly Crowder, SHS
2. Cathy Hunt, SMS
3. Christina Martinez, SHS

F. Gifts and Donations

1. Various, \$1332.00 – Anza Trail
2. Raymond J & Claire Ferreira, \$60.00 – SHS
3. Kevin Harcourt, New Books – SMS
4. Kroger, \$500.00 – SMS
5. Office Max, \$992.47 Rebate – District
6. Commander Peggy Curran, New 5x9 American Flag – SIS
7. Tarama Molina, New Books – SMS Library
8. SMS Annual Career Day Donations: ++
 - SHS Robotics Team - Presentation to our students during a 6th period assembly
 - Agility Spine & Sports Physical Therapy - 350 water bottles
 - Pima County Sheriff - Pencils
 - Life Line Helicopter - Pencils, hats, water bottle
 - Sahuarita Post Office - Stamp information booklets
 - Sertino's - Coupons

- McDonald's - Bookmarks
- DM - Flyers, stickers
- Great Clips – Pencils & Combs
- State Farm - Bags

G. Out of State Travel

1. Gloria Williams to attend the National Center for Family Literacy Conference and Certified Trainer Meeting in San Antonio, TX from April 10 – 13, 2010.
2. Julia Tatum, Elisa Cruikshank, Melissa Hughes, Valerie Ramirez, Angela Guerra, Jeanine Sparks, Sara Mulcahey, and Carol Roman to attend the National Conference on Differentiated Instruction in Las Vegas, NV from July 17-21, 2010.
3. Hugh Gallagher to attend the Arizona School Counselors Association Annual Conference at the Mesa Convention Center on March 25 & 26, 2010
4. NJROTC (5 Students & 2 Adults) to attend the Academic Competition for NJROTC units in Arizona and California in San Diego, CA from March 19 – 21, 2010.
5. Charlotte Gates to attend the AASBO Spring Conference in Laughlin, NV from March 31, 2010 – April 2, 2010.
6. Lynn Thomas of Anza Trail (11 Students & 3 Adults) to attend the National History Day Competition in Fountain Hills, AZ from April 9-10, 2010 ++

H. Use of School Facilities

1. The Young Rembrandts of Tucson has requested the use of Classroom G100 at the High School beginning March 24, 2010 through May 12, 2010 from 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. on Wednesdays only to hold a Drawing Instruction Class for children.
2. USA Youth Sports has requested the use of the SMS Gym on Saturday, March 20, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for children, ages 7-13 to play Basketball Games.
3. Santa Cruz Valley United Methodist Church has requested the use of the SPS Gym and Classrooms on Friday, April 2, 2010 from 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. for Good Friday Church Services. ++
4. Habitat for Humanity Santa Cruz Valley Chapter has requested the use of the Sopori Cafeteria on Saturday, April 17, 2010 from 10:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. for a House Dedication Reception. ++

I. Approval of Student Activity and Auxiliary Accounts Revenue and Expenditure Reports

X. Board Communication

Mr. Murphy wished staff and students a restful spring break and come back safely. Thanks to the community for allowing us to resend the pink slips. He thanked Jeff Herndon for all of his efforts. Thanked the Valenzuela Family. He thanked them for sharing their son, brother, husband, and father with us.

Mrs. Kellermeyer congratulated Dr. Valenzuela and stated that they are very proud of him and grateful to have him here. She also stated that on the consent agenda there was an item that no one happened to mention. She thanked Dr. St. John for all of the things that he has done. Mrs. Kellermeyer could not attest to all of the things that he has done prior to six years but there has been so many things that he has done to help support and promote this District. Helping us secure our future and teaching Dr. Valenzuela how to continue securing our future has been Dr. St. John's legacy.

Mrs. Ham stated that it is very touching and very rewarding to see Dr. Valenzuela step up and it will be sad to see Dr. St. John leave but we have all benefited from him. She stated that it was an awesome effort brought forward from the Keep Kids First Committee. Being on that committee she never seen that much put into that and it paid off. She thanked the Keep Kids First for all that they do and did for the students of our District.

Mrs. Hall stated that she and Jay have known each other for a very long time. They both learned and grew a lot together. It has been a pleasure working with him and wished him well in his retirement.

Mr. Lurkins it is a pleasure to have Dr. Valenzuela take over a position like this. Your mentor has done a wonderful job with not only selecting Dr. Valenzuela but over the five years that I have been working with you, in my opinion, could have done any better than picking Dr. Valenzuela. Mr. Lurkins addressed Dr. St. John and stated that he is proud to call him and Dr. Valenzuela friends and it makes him feel good to be associated with these two men.

XI. Establish Next Board Meeting – April 14, 2010 – 6:30 P.M. – Anza Trail Cafetorium

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. Mrs. Ham made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion carried.

Respectfully,


Clerk of the Board