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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

September 23, 2015

6:30 P.M.

**District Auditorium, Building #21 - Sub Hall B
350 W. Sahuarita Rd., Sahuarita, AZ 85629**

MINUTES

I. Call Meeting to Order

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

Roll call was taken by the secretary of the Board, Betsy Palacios as follows:

Present:

Absent:

Governing Board:

Board President – Diana Kellermeyer

Governing Board Clerk – Kris Ham

Governing Board Member – Elaine Hall

Governing Board Member – Tom Murphy

Governing Board Member – John Sparks

District Administration:

Superintendent – Dr. Manuel Valenzuela

Assistant Superintendent – Scott Downs

Assistant Superintendent – Brett Bonner

Director of Business Services – Charlotte Gates

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion Type	Board Motion	Made By	Seconded By	Motion Result	Vote
Approval	Approval of the Revised Agenda	T. Murphy	J. Sparks	Passed	Unanimous

III. Approval of Minutes – Board Meeting – September 9, 2015

Motion Type	Board Motion	Made By	Seconded By	Motion Result	Vote
Approval	Approval of the Board Minutes for September 9, 2015	J. Sparks	T. Murphy	Passed	Unanimous

IV. Approval and Ratification of Vouchers

Motion Type	Board Motion	Made By	Seconded By	Motion Result	Vote
Approval	Approval of the Ratification of Vouchers	J. Sparks	K. Ham	Passed	Unanimous

V. Call to the Public

Consideration and discussion of comments and concerns from the public. Those wishing to address the Governing Board on items not on tonight's agenda may do so at this time or at the Board's discretion at the time the item appears on the agenda. Speakers are requested to hold their comments to two (2) minutes or less. In accordance with the Arizona Open Meeting Law, board members may not respond, comment, or ask questions of speakers regarding issues not on the agenda.

Laura Hatfield – Sahuarita Education Association – Mrs. Hatfield reminded everyone that they will be walking the community on behalf of Prop. 436 on October 3rd and 10th.

Kara Egbert – She said that her purpose at the meeting was to show gratitude to the Governing Board and Administration. She attended a leadership academy and one of the days was all about K-12 education. She stated that she had no idea of the challenges that the School District has been given these past few years. To see how our schools are thriving shows what great leadership Sahuarita Unified School District has, from the School Board to District Administration.

Mary Chernoski – Sahuarita Enrichment Education Foundation – Mrs. Chernoski reminded everyone about the upcoming fundraiser. She stated that the money they receive from the fundraisers goes right back into the schools. The Fundraiser will be on November 12, 2015, doors open at 5 p.m., at Walden Grove High School, for the Basketball Game.

VI. Recognition of Staff, Students and Community

Staff, students and/or members of the community will be recognized at this time. Special announcements may be presented at this time.

A. Staff

1. Support Staff Team Member of the Month – Araceli Leon-McMahon/Copper View Elementary School/Special Education Instructional Aide

Mr. Downs read the nomination for Mrs. Leon-McMahon that was submitted by her supervisor Ms. De La Vega.

B. Students

1. August Leader In Character Honorees:

SCHOOL	STUDENT
Anza Trail School	Christian Vasquez – 8 th Grade
Sahuarita Middle School	Ramon Hernandez – 6 th Grade
Sahuarita High School	Deanna Strayer – 12 th Grade
Walden Grove High School	Paulina Gomez – 12 th Grade

2. September Leader In Character Honorees:

SCHOOL	STUDENT
Copper View School	Aidan Valencia - 1 st Grade
Sahuarita Intermediate School	Georgia Gero - 4 th Grade
Sahuarita Primary School	Jayden Harmon - 1 st Grade
Sopori Elementary School	Sebastian Trevizo - 4 th Grade
Anza Trail School	Pablo Ruiz - 7 th Grade
Sahuarita Middle School	Josue Gutierrez - 7 th Grade
Sahuarita High School	Hannah Egbert - 9 th Grade
Walden Grove High School	Jewell Woodard - 9 th Grade

Dr. Valenzuela recognized the September 2015 Leader and Character honorees. Each student received a certificate and a \$20 gift certificate to Barnes & Noble, thanks to the sponsors of Freeport McMoRan. Dr. Valenzuela thanked Freeport McMoRan for sponsoring the program.

C. Community – None

VII. New Business

A. Instruction – Discussion and Possible Action

1. Proposed 2016-17 School Calendar

Motion Type	Board Motion	Made By	Seconded By	Motion Result	Vote
Tabled	Proposed 2016-17 School Calendar	T. Murphy	J. Sparks	Passed	Unanimous

B. Business – Discussion and Possible Action

1. Commercial Land Presentation – Mr. Mike Brilz/Rancho Sahuarita

Motion Type	Board Motion	Made By	Seconded By	Motion Result	Vote
Passed	Approval of Support for the Commercial Land Use/Letter of Support	T. Murphy	J. Sparks	Passed	Unanimous

Dr. Valenzuela asked Mr. Mike Brilz from the Rancho Sahuarita Management Company to deliver a presentation on Commercial Land Use. Mr. Brilz presented on the proposed use of land that was exchanged between Rancho Sahuarita Management Company and the Sahuarita Unified School District. The proposal complies with the District agreement, and a letter of support to the Town of Sahuarita was requested.

2. Phone Project Presentation

Dr. Valenzuela asked Mr. Scott Boone, Information Technology Director, to present on the phone project.

C. Governing Board - Discussion and Possible Action - None

D. Personnel - Discussion and Possible Action - None

VIII. Superintendent Reports

The superintendent may present reports at this time.

Enrollment report shows that we are down four students.

Dr. Valenzuela mentioned the passing of our friend Dr. Jeff Bennett, Professor at UA. He was a great man, and real public servant. He collaborated with us and shared his expertise on organizational effectiveness and community building, and supported the development of the Sahuarita Wins initiative. He was a good man and will be missed.

Dr. Valenzuela shared the Heavy Equipment Operations Flyer. This involves bringing multiple sectors together, it is a Sahuarita Wins initiative. Focused on bringing workforce and education together, and using our collective resources to make it happen. The timeline and action steps have been reset, we will get this program off the ground this year.

Dr. Valenzuela reminded everyone about the Sahuarita Shines Day – October 1, 2015. This is a day that will simply give us a chance to express the pride in our community.

Dr. Valenzuela also shared that Legendary Teacher Day will be celebrated on September 24, 2015. He asked everyone to take a moment and write that special teacher a note.

Dr. Valenzuela was proud to share that Sahuarita was listed as one of the best suburbs in Tucson, listed by an organization named Movoto.

Dr. Valenzuela shared a photo of Mr. Mike Fiesler, Director of Transportation, out checking the roads after a recent storm. You are appreciated Mr. Fiesler!

Dr. Valenzuela shared a video from our Food Service Director, Mrs. Suzy Harris, regarding the Roving Chef Program.

Dr. Valenzuela mentioned that the NMSI Celebration will be on October 20, 2015, 6 p.m., District Auditorium.

Dr. Valenzuela also mentioned the big game between Walden Grove High School and Sahuarita High School. He said that the schools will be coming together before the game for a tailgate celebration.

IX. Consent Agenda – Discussion and Possible Action js tm

All items listed below are routine consent matters and will be considered by one motion at this time. Any Board member may remove an item from the consent agenda by request. All items not accepted and approved as part of the consent agenda will be considered individually.

Motion Type	Board Motion	Made By	Seconded By	Motion Result	Vote
Passed	Approval of the Consent Agent	J. Sparks	T. Murphy	Passed	Unanimous

A. Employment / Change of Status / Transfers

1. Stephanie Arena, Instructional Aide, ATS, Status Change – Effective 09/8/15 to 10/23/15
2. Leslie Bindschadler, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
3. Stephanie Bowyer, 21st Century After School Tutor, SHS, Hire – Effective 08/31/15 to 05/19/16
4. Tanya Bullard, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
5. Monique Canez, Sports Aide, SHS, Hire – Effective 09/08/15 to 05/19/16
6. Kerry Carlisle, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
7. Kerry Carlisle, EOY Teacher-SPED, SMS, Status Change – Effective 09/21/15
8. Isabel Correll, Event Staff, FAC, Hire – Effective 08/01/15 to 06/30/16
9. Nola Domenici, Sports Aide, SHS, Hire – Effective 09/08/15 to 05/19/16
10. Susan Eaton, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
11. Evelyn Flores, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
12. Jeanette Gallus, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/01/15
13. Darlene Gonsalves, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
14. Myrna Hahn, 21st Century After School Tutor, SHS, Hire – Effective 08/31/15 to 05/19/16
15. Becky Hill, EOY Teacher-1st, ATS, Status Change – Effective 09/09/15
16. Andrea Joseph, Inclusion Health Assistant, ECC, Replacement – Effective 09/16/15
17. Maria Loaiza, Inclusion Health Assistant, SHS, Replacement – Effective 09/16/15
18. Carmen Medina, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
19. Mari Ortega, Inclusion Health Assistant, SHS, Replacement – Effective 09/09/15
20. Angelique Pena, Bus Driver Trainee, TRANS, Hire – Effective 09/10/15

21. Susana Plasensia, 21st Century After School Tutor, SHS, Hire – Effective 08/31/15 to 05/19/16
22. Luke Smith, Sports Aide, SHS, Hire – Effective 09/08/15 to 05/19/16
23. Bridget Stephenson, EOY Teacher-3rd, SOP, Status Change – Effective 08/28/15
24. Karen Studzinski, 21st Century After School Tutor, SHS, Hire – Effective 09/01/15 to 05/19/16
25. Lila Thueson, Program Aide, LINK, Replacement – Effective 09/28/15
26. Michael Walden, Custodian, FAC, Replacement – Effective 09/08/15
27. Emily Woods, Substitute Teacher, DIST, Hire – Effective 09/15/15
28. Jonathan McClintock, Social Studies Teacher, SHS, Status Change – Effective 09/16/15 ✚✚
29. Kathya Quihuiz, Asst. Dance Coach, WGHS, Hire – Effective 09/18/15 ✚✚

B. Resignations / Terminations / Separations

1. Carlos Alvarez, Lead Custodian, FAC, Resignation – Effective 09/30/15
2. Alejandro Estrada, Custodian, FAC, Resignation – Effective 09/04/15
3. Elsa Vasquez, Custodian, FAC, Resignation – Effective 09/11/15
4. Laura Coleman, 2nd Grade Teacher, SPS, Resignation – Effective 10/16/15 ✚✚
5. McKenzie Loertscher, Classroom Aide, ECC, Resignation – Effective 09/23/15 ✚✚
6. Jonathan Trostle, Plumber, FAC, Resignation – Effective 09/23/15 ✚✚

C. Addendums (All Addendums/Stipends are Effective for SY15.16)

1. Antonio Garcia, Coach-Football (B), SMS

D. Request for Leave of Absence - None

E. Volunteers

1. Shaden “Deanie” Alvarez, SPS
2. Joyce Amodeo, ATS
3. David Bland, SPS
4. Debra Bolin, SPS
5. Breona Calvert, CVES
6. Duran J. Carrillo, SPS
7. Kristen Coblenz, ATS
8. William Cole, SPS
9. Sara DeMay, WGHS
10. Brenda M. Diaz, SPS
11. Casie Dunn, SPS
12. Stephanie Ellersick, SPS
13. Miranda Fadlalla, CVES
14. Cyndee Fellger, CVES
15. Cara Forbregd, SPS
16. Roberto Franzone, SHS
17. Stephanie Gibes, SPS
18. Veronica Gonzalez, CVES
19. Jacqueline Gudanowski, SPS
20. Patricia “Patti” Hanson, WGHS
21. Daisy Higuera, SPS
22. Bridget Holtz, SPS
23. Jessica Holzer, CVES
24. Karen Jennings, CVES
25. Dottie Jones, SPS
26. Kaitlyn L. Joy, SPS

27. Tracy Martinez, SPS
28. Sonja D. Mooney, SPS
29. Ariana Noperi, SPS
30. Cristy Olof, WGHS
31. Tim Olof, WGHS
32. Joseph Robles, SIS
33. Ricci Romero, SPS
34. Elizabeth Sears, SPS
35. Laura Sparling, SPS
36. Yvette Stephenson, SPS
37. Charles Summerhill, SPS
38. Kellie M. Tonks, CVES
39. Tricia Torrez, SPS
40. Ernesto Urtusuategui, SPS
41. Sonia Valles, CVES
42. Celina Villa, SPS
43. Benjamin Weaver, WGHS
44. Sarah Weaver, WGHS
45. Carla Wymer Tankersley, CVES
46. Lorelin Ahumada-Ortiz – Sopori ++
47. Paulina Anderson, ATS ++
48. Hortencia Armstrong, CVES ++
49. Kristine Asay, CVEZ ++
50. Emily Durham, SIS ++
51. Tiffany Flores, SIS ++
52. Beatriz Gallardo, SPS ++
53. Chrystal Garcia, SIS ++
54. Denise Gardner, SPS ++
55. Nicholas Gascon, SPS ++
56. Michelle Hall, SIS ++
57. Mayra Haro, Sopori ++
58. Alfonso Hernandez, SPS ++
59. Perla Islava, Sopori ++
60. John Kelly, ATS ++
61. Shari Lowell, WGHS ++
62. Tom Lowell, WGHS ++
63. Emerick Martinez, WGHS ++
64. Amy Njos, CVES ++
65. Toni Orozco, SPS ++
66. Robert Ortiz, Sopori ++
67. Laura Petersen, SPS ++
68. Elizabeth Real, SPS ++
69. Barbara Simcoe, CVES ++
70. Linwood Thompson, SIS ++
71. Malia Thompson, SIS ++

F. Use of School Facilities

Name of Organization	Purpose	Facility	Dates
Cub Scout Pack #357	Weekly Meetings	ATS/Room D152 (weekly) Cafetorium (monthly)	September 14, 2015 – May 16, 2016/5:45-7:15 p.m.
Cub Scout Pack #357	Pinewood Event	ATS Cafetorium	January 23, 2016/8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Elks Club	Annual Hoop Shoot	SIS Gym	January 23, 2016, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Good News Club	Meetings	ATS/Room C134	September 17, 2015 – April 28, 2016/ 2:15-3:45 p.m.
Sahuarita Wins Committee	Meetings	Library - ATS SPS SVES SIS	September 23, 2015 ❖❖

G. Gifts and Donations

Name	Amount/Item	Department/School
Jostens	\$59.50	District - Undesignated
M3 Engineering & Technology Corp	\$1800.00	WGHS - Undesignated
Desi Raulston	4 orange safety cones	CVES
Caroline Norbury	Supplies – glue sticks, packages of pens, notebooks, folders, markers	Sopori
Glenna Harrel	35 copies of the Lightening Thief Book	SMS
Irene Richter	Supplies – pencils, colored pencils, colored paper, spiral notebooks, crayons, markers, glue sticks, lined paper, gently used books	Sopori

H. Approval of School Clubs & PTO/Booster Support Organizations - None

I. PTO/Booster Monthly Reports

1. Anza Trail PTO – August 2015
2. Copper View Elementary PTO – None
3. SHS – Music Boosters – None
4. SIS PTP – None
5. SPS PTO – None
6. SUSD #30 Educational Enrichment Foundation – None
7. WGHS Grad Night Booster Club – None
8. WGHS Red Wolves Music Boosters – August 2015 ❖❖

J. Approval of Student Fund-Raising Activities

Organization	Sale Item Description	Fundraiser Dates
SHS – Band	Candy Bags	October 12-16, 2015
SHS – Senior Class Student Council	Mud/Color Run	November 7, 2015
SHS – Swim Club	Candy Bars	October 18-25, 2015
SHS – Swim Club	Discount Cards	October 18-25, 2015
SHS – Sahuarita NJROTC	Sell Tickets for Naval Ball	October 17-18, 2015
SHS – Photography	NJROTC Naval Ball	October 17, 2015
SIS – Student Council	Pennies for Patients	October 19 – November 9, 2015
SIS – Student Council	Boo Grams	October 28-30, 2015
SIS – Student Council	Life Touch Yearbook	November 1, 2015 – May 19,

		2016
SMS – PBIS	Valentine Dance	February 12, 2015
SMS – PBIS	Out of Dress Code	August 2015 – May 2016
SMS – PBIS	Movie Tickets/Photo Booth Tickets	August 2015 – May 2016
SMS – Student Council	Holiday Shoppe	December 4-11, 2015
SMS – Student Council	Sell T-shirts	October – November 2015
WGHS – Service Leadership	Valentine’s Day Auction	September 2015 – May 2016
WGHS – Music Boosters	Texas Roadhouse Gift Cards	November – December 2015
WGHS – Music Boosters	2015 Marching Band Show Shirt Sales	September – October 2015
WGHS – SADD	Car Wash	September 26, 2015
WGHS – Cheer & Icon Cheer	Cheer Showcase	October 2015
WGHS – Service Leadership	Create a Community Talen Show	September 2015 – May 2016
WGHS – Academic Decathlon Club	Concession Stand	September 2015 – May 2016
ATS – Choir & Orchestra Club	Gold Canyon Candle Catalog Sales	October 1-16, 2015 ++
ATS – Student Council	Selling Spirit Shirts	October 19 – November 2, 2015 ++
SHS – Photography	Photo Boost	November 7, 2015 ++
SMS – PTO	Out of Dress Code	September 25 – October 2, 2015 ++

K. Overnight Travel

School & Names	Purpose	Travel Destination	Travel Dates
SMS – Kathryn Duniho	Conference	Phoenix, AZ	November 5-6, 2015
SHS/WGHS – Emery Mahoney	Conference	Phoenix, AZ	November 4-6, 2015
ATS – Siomara Enriquez	AASP Conference	Phoenix, AZ	November 5-6, 2015 ++
SUSD Music Teachers	AMEA Conference	Mesa, AZ	January 28-30, 2016 ++

L. Approval of Revenue and Expenditure Reports – None

X. Board Reports

The Governing Board may present reports at this time.

Mr. Sparks said that he attended the ASBA Law Conference. He said that it was impressive to sit in a room with over 800 individuals, board members, school district administration, and politicians. This group of people are dedicated to the quality of education. He said it was also great that people are aware of Sahuarita Unified School District, and the great things we are doing. Board Members from big school districts and they are know that we are doing things like the NMSI Program made me feel good. He said he also had a discussion with a parent in Tucson, they said they love Sahuarita. He said he had a great experience.

Mr. Murphy said that he also attended the ASBA Law Conference. He said that one of the things that he took away was how difficult how everyone’s jobs are in education. He also attended the open house at Walden Grove Open House, he said that it was wonderful to attend, it was student led and had a lot of participation. He also mentioned that the Town of Sahuarita Festival which will be held this weekend.

XI. Establish Next Board Meeting – October 14, 2015

*September 23, 2015, Governing Board Meeting Minutes
Approved at the October 14, 2015, Governing Board Meeting*

NOTE: The October Board Meeting will be held at:

Sopori Elementary School Library
5000 W. Arivaca Road
Amado, AZ 85645

XII. Executive Session – Discussion and Possible Action

Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-843 – Discussion Pertaining to Pupil(s) Disciplinary Proceedings

XIII. Adjournment 8:05 pm



GOVERNING BOARD CLERK SIGNATURE

10-14-15

DATE