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MINUTES
REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2008– 6:30 P.M. DISTRICT AUDITORIUM, POD B
350 W. SAHUARITA ROAD – SAHUARITA, AZ 85629

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Diana Kellermeyer called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Also in attendance Clerk of the Board Martin McGee, Board Members Tom Murphy, Mike Lurkins, and Elaine Hall, Superintendent Dr. Jay C. St. John, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Manny Valenzuela, and Business Manager Charlotte Gates. There were 93 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. Hall. The motion carried.

III. Approval of Minutes – October 22, 2008

The superintendent recommended approval of the October 22, 2008 minutes as published. Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mrs. Hall. The motion carried.

IV. Approval and Ratification of Vouchers

Mrs. Gates recommended ratification of previously approved payroll vouchers 11 and 12 in the amount totaling \$1,795,286.18, new payroll 15 for the pay period ending December 12, 2008, new payroll 16 for the pay period ending December 26, 2008 in the amount not to exceed \$2,000,000. She further recommends approval of expense vouchers 9026 through 9031 in the amount totaling \$768,199.86. The motion was made by Mrs. Hall and seconded by Mr. McGee. The motion carried.

V. Call to the Public - Agenda Items - See VII.B.6 & IX.B.4

VI. Recognition of Staff, Students and Community

- A.** November “Leaders in Character” Honorees – Jesus Triana, 3rd Grade, Sopori; Haley Sorrell, 2nd Grade, Anza Trail; Rachael Fox, 1st Grade, SPS; Nicole Poligala, 5th Grade, SIS, Ryan Bell, 6th Grade, SMS; Dakota Chapman, 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.

B. Friend of Sahuarita Award – Sherwin Williams

Dr. Valenzuela recognized Sherwin Williams with the Friend of Sahuarita Award for the generous donation of paint and materials to support the painting of the high school

automotive shop. The automotive shop is becoming a state of the art facility because of the support of organizations in the community who are willing to step forward and contribute to make it a better place.

Mr. Lurkins thanked Martin Martinez and Tim Anderson from Sherwin Williams. He stated that Sherwin Williams also donated all the paint for the inside of the Early Childhood Center.

VII. New Business

A. Instruction – Discussion and Possible Action

1. CTE/ JTED Presentation – Claudette Welch

Claudette Welch introduced the Robotics team as they presented their robots and each student's role on the Robotics team. Mr. Santa Cruz stated that most of the robots are still in the building stages and their competition begins in January. He introduced Katie Tingle as the secretary of the SHS Robotics team.

Katie Tingle stated that this is her 3rd year on the team and is currently in her junior year at SHS. She reported that last year the Robotics team had an amazing year. Team 52 & team 466 both FTC teams had a conjoined win of 1st place in San Diego, California; 1st place in Phoenix, AZ; 1st place in Las Vegas, NV; and 20th out of 100th place at nationals in Atlanta, Georgia. The highlight of her year was when the Robotics team received the "Connect Award" in Atlanta. The "Connect Award" is awarded to one team in the entire United States. It represents community outreach and education about technology. Ms. Tingle stated that she feels very honored as a team to have received that award and it is in partly in thanks to the school Board and the sponsors.

Ms. Tingle introduced each of her other team mates as they stated their role on the team and introduced their robots. The goal of the robotics team is to visit ITT, Freeport McMoRan, Raytheon, Intel, and CAT. In addition they want to reach out to the younger students at SPS, SIS, Anza Trail, and Sopori to have more students involved in the robotics team. Ms. Tingle invited everyone to visit the robotics team website at www.shsrobotics.sidequestarts.com.

Mr. Santa Cruz stated that he is very proud of this team. This year, he started a pilot program at SMS which is a Lego team and a Junior Vex team. The students are doing very well and in fact some are doing a little better than some of the high school students. Mr. Santa Cruz introduced "Goober" the robot who went to nationals and won three state competitions. The team is going to try to retire him this year and set the standards for years to come. He thanked the Board and administration for their continued support and thanked his wonderful team.

Mrs. Kellermeyer thanked Mr. Santa Cruz and stated that it was a very impressive group.

Mrs. Welch introduced the Aircraft Mechanic students. She stated that she was really excited to be able to do some things off campus. This year they were able to send five students to Pima Community College to take advantage of the Aircraft Mechanic's program through the automotive program and it's called an option number. These students had the opportunity to go to Sunnyside High School over the summer where a teacher taught them a particular math class related to Aircraft Mechanics. The students are now ready to take a blueprint class which will be offered at Sahuarita High School. The students will be going through electricity, motion, and dynamics. Some of the classes that these students take are 40-110 hrs in length. The program is a two year

program with a promise to the two senior students that they will be given a scholarship to complete the program. Mrs. Welch introduced the three students enrolled in the Aircraft Mechanics program.

Ryan Zelanzy is a sophomore at SHS. He stated that he feels really lucky to get in the program. Ryan plans are to join the Navel Academy and become an officer.

Gus Williams stated that it would be cool to work on the AMP power plans. He plans on becoming a motorcycle mechanic and hopefully owning his own company.

Jonathan Hilton stated that he feels very lucky about being a part of this program. He plans on working for Raytheon and then work for NASA as an airspace engineer.

Mrs. Welch stated that the cost of sending each one of these students is \$6,000.00 and the JTED pays all of the fees with an added special prize at the end.

Mrs. Welch introduced the nursing students. SHS has fifteen students who are taking advantage of the nursing services program. This program is also offered at the JTED's central site in Tucson at Shannon and River. SHS had enough students who had interest in the program. These students go two days a week to La Posada and have their own nurse. On Tuesday's the students have lectures from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. and also attend cooking classes on Saturday's which they learn about nutrition and how to prepare appetizing meals. These students put in a lot of their time to this program. Mrs. Welch introduced Victor Binning, Barbara Cesar, Jason Chavez, Antoinette Dickens, Carah Evens, Francisco Fierro, Shawni Jackson, Kyle Lewis, Erika Murek, Cindy Norton, Clarissa Vasquez, Karen Valenzuela, Theresa Via, Shelby Wilson, and Myriam Zazueta. Mrs. Welch stated that next semester they will have to do their clinical and will be working with patients.

Mrs. Welch introduced the two students who are involved in the Cosmetology program offered at SHS. Jackie Alvarez and Emmer Austrander are very dedicated to this program. They have to get 1600 hours before they can receive their license in cosmetology. Both students attend Arizona College of Beauty in Tucson. These two students are dedicated in getting all of their hours in. They started last summer were they went full time and are now continuing on a part-time schedule. These students are determined to finish their hours before the school year is over, otherwise they start paying out of their own pocket. JTED will pay for the hours as long as they have not graduated.

Mrs. Welch provided the Board with a JTED booklet. In the booklet was information for students on beginning any of the programs through JTED. In addition, the booklet provides information regarding the JTED budget.

Mrs. Kellermeyer thanked Mrs. Welch for her time and efforts in supporting and coordinating this program. She understands it's not an easy task and it is a blessing that this community and the residents in Pima County voted in to have a JTED. The benefits that are provided to our students is wonderful and a great opportunity.

2. Quality Focused Survey Presentation – Dr. Manuel O. Valenzuela

Dr. Valenzuela presented the 2007 – 2008 Quality Focused Survey. The survey asks the district's families and parents how the district is doing on the goals that the Board has set for the district and that the administration is carrying out. He provided the Board with graphs of the data collected.

Dr. Valenzuela stated that the District has made progress on the legendary customary service standard which is something that the district strives to uphold were we have more on the strongly agree side than on the agree side. The district has made some organizational adjustments based on data. Dr. Valenzuela stated the district is focusing on the former recruitment efforts in the human resource area and professional development because we know those have great affects on student achievement. We are also focusing on adding extended enrichment opportunities. This last summer is the first summer that every school had some form of targeted intervention enrichment or recreation program on their site and that something that we hope to continue even in these tight fiscal times.

Dr. Valenzuela state that the district is working at ramping up and continuously improving our communication efforts so that people know what we are doing and why we are doing it and vise versa so we have a chance to hear from people regarding these efforts. He stated that partnerships are very important to us and we hear about companies' working with the district from whom we cannot do the level of job that we do if they were not on board with us.

Dr. Valenzuela quoted President Theodore Roosevelt, "*Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.*" Dr. Valenzuela stated that he thinks all of us would agree that the work that we do is very much worth doing and we look forward to continuing to improve and be the best that we can possibly be.

Mrs. Kellermeyer thanked Dr. Valenzuela for his presentation.

B. Business– Discussion and Possible Action

1. Approval of the Artist in Residence Program

Included in the Board packet was information from Kathy Shiba and Jennifer Lee regarding and Artist in Residence Program with the Boards approval will be operating at Anza Trail School. Dr. St. John recommended approval of the Artist in Residence Program at Anza Trail School. The motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation was made my Mr. McGee and was seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion carried.

2. Middle School Promotions

The superintendent stated that Terri Noe, Kathy Shiba and he sat down and talked about what we can do to deal with two 8th grade promotions at the same time. The superintendent recommended moving the Sahuarita Middle School's 8th grade promotion to 9:00 a.m. and Anza Trail's 8th grade promotion to 12:00 p.m. instead having two promotions in the evening. He recommended that this year 8th promotions take place on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 in the district auditorium. Historically the 8th grade promotions have always been Wednesday evening and we can't do both of them in an evening. The motion to approve the change of time and location for 8th grade promotions was made by Mr. Lurkins and was seconded by Mrs. Hall. The motion carried.

Mrs. Kellermeyer stated that along with the recommendation it is not mandatory that all Board members attend the 8th grade promotions as most Board members will be working.

3. RFP #2009-9 District Network Infrastructure Re-Design and Implementation

Included in the Board packet was a bid tabulation sheet for RFP #2009-9 District Network Infrastructure Re-Design and Implementation. The sealed bids were opened on October 23, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in the District Conference Room. The district had three vendors respond to the RFP. The vendors were as follows:

World Wide Technology
Simply Bits
Calence

After committee review – the selection chosen was Simply Bits LLC, 5225 N. Sabino Canyon, Tucson, AZ 85750 for the amount of \$51,370 to upgrade the district's network infrastructures. The superintendent recommended approval of the committee's selection for Simply Bits in the amount of \$51,370. The motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation was made by Mr. McGee and was seconded by Mrs. Hall. The motion carried.

4. AT&T Cell Tower Lease

The superintendent apologized to the Governing Board for not providing this information to them until the night of the Board meeting. Dr. St. John had been recently contacted by AT&T who owns one of the cell towers on the district's property. The district has a cell tower lease agreement which was included in the Board packet. AT&T is requesting that they optimize their resources. When the superintendent spoke to their representative he stated that optimization means that they would like to lower the rent. Right now, for this particular cell tower the district is receiving \$1,100 a month, \$13,200 a year. AT&T is suggesting reducing the rent by \$100.00 a month and/or fixed the escalator amount for the rest of the contract. In the current contract there is a 7 ½% fixed escalator clause every five years. The superintendent stated that because schools in Arizona can only have five year contracts we agreed to one five year contract with four or five year rollovers if everyone is happy and the district included a 7.5% escalator at the end of each one of those five year periods. For example, right now the district receives \$13,200.00 a month. If we reduce it by \$100.00 a month the district will get \$12,000.00 this year. If the Board decides to freeze the 7.5% then they would only reduce the monthly payment by \$50.00 per month but then the 7.5% would be fixed for the entire twenty years. The superintendent stated that the district is obviously going through a hard time right now and so is AT&T but he feels the district has to be cognizant of what is going on. He mentioned that he would hate to see the revenue go down because he suspects that would be happening on several other fronts also. The biggest concern the superintendent had is that if the district tells them no then they may walk on the district and shut the tower down. The district will therefore lose all the income and stay with the tower. The superintendent recommended that the Board direct the superintendent to negotiate to the best interest of the district and the superintendent is leaning to the \$50.00 a month reduction and freeze the escalator at 7.5%. The motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation was made by Mr. McGee and seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion carried.

5. 40th Day Count Update – Discussion Only

The superintendent stated that Charlotte was kind enough back in February to give the district a prediction of what a 5% increase in enrollment would generate in terms of money and that is the amount the district staffed to. The district now has a 40th day count update which was included in the packet with the 5% projection which the superintendent recommended that the Board do. The superintendent reported that the district is at 7% growth. The growth has decreased from 21% four years ago down to 7%. The district is

growing a building every two years if the district stays at this rate. He stated the Charlotte Gates protected the district by only allowing to spend 5% growth money and the superintendent stated that the district will be having what the state refers to as a, "rainy day fund". The superintendent stated that the district will continue to watch the pennies as he suspects that bad news is coming our way in a heart beat. However, we are pleased that the school district is still continuing to grow a little bit.

Mrs. Kellermeyer thanked Mrs. Gates and stated that she set the bar pretty high for next year.

6. Reconsideration of a High School Swim Team

Included in the Board packet is a letter from a high school student, Kellie Wallace, asking the Governing Board and asked to reconsider their decision about having a high school swim team. The superintendent stated that he understands that we have at least one person who would like to address this agenda item. In addition, the superintendent also had a piece of written information from Norma Jaeger asking that the district consider it. She was very complimentary of the district taking over the Sopori pool and how the pool worked out as best under the circumstances. The superintendent spoke to Chris Fanning the high school athletic director today and he does not feel that there is a ground swell amongst the students for that. He stated that it would be very difficult for him to recommend that because one of them main priorities is to have a pool. The superintendent suggested that they might want to redirect the young lady to the Town of Sahuarita since they may be building a new swimming pool. He recommended that the Board have a discussion and listen to the gentleman who would like to speak to the Board and the young lady if she would like to address the Board.

Call to the public:

Jeff Wallace – 901 E. Mt. Wrightston, Green Valley, AZ 85614 – He stated that he wanted to offer some comments on several levels. As a parent and is associated with several families that are present tonight along with several families that could not be here that there is a group that would like to start a swim team and its not known who those people are. Mr. Wallace has recently joined the Board of the Sahuarita Stingrays Swim Team and offered their help as well as the benefits as we both would gleam from having the combined teams available for all the swimmers as well as being a training ground for high school athletes. He stated that as far as the pool goes the Sopori pool is of legal length. He understands that it is only four lanes but it is a valid to be used. Mr. Wallace agrees that the somewhere between parks and recreation, the city, and all of the other parties trying to get a large community pool started, that pool is not undersized for what he would see as a start up team anyway. If there are any questions they could answer he stated that he would be glad to do so.

Mrs. Kellemeier stated that she thinks that Mr. Wallace makes a valid point that the district has the Sopori pool. She knows that the district is interested at some point to incorporate competitive swimming at the high school level. While the district may not have the capabilities of getting it started this year, could we not ask that Mr. Fanning work on proposing starting some kind of plan to start incorporating a small core group that could utilize Sopori School or at least start developing a plan to move toward that direction?

The superintendent stated that he feels that the district ought to have a group study and put a little pressure on the Town but not in an unkind way. He stated that he spoke with Mr. Fanning and he has not had anybody knocking down his door but we do need to

know what the strength of the group is and whether it's valid. The superintendent stated that we have had two principals that have run the Sopori pool and Desi Raulston would sure like some help in running the swimming pool. If the group is willing to help the district out a little bit the superintendent thinks that we should be able to consider it. The superintendent stated that he will get together with some of the Stingray members. Several years ago the district was contacted by Carl Ortiz regarding soccer and helped out the district; they raised money and did some things with the district to get the program going. The superintendent recommended that the Board direct him to come up with a little study group but not a committee of the Board.

Mr. Lurkins stated that when he was President of the Sahuarita Swim Team there were a lot of kids on the team at that time and there always has been. He stated that this is a good thing to look into and bring the Board back some numbers. Mr. Lurkins not only asked for numbers of participants but dollar amounts because we are scrapping now for funds.

Mr. Murphy stated that when he first moved here it was historically one of the strongest sports program as a community and was really breath taking how many people participated. He would defiantly support a group of people especially forming a partnership that if it takes some of the weight off of our principals then it will be a win/win situation and that is defiantly the way to go.

Mrs. Kellermeyer stated that even though the state does not have any money, the district still continues to grow so we might as well be creative.

A motion to approval to start a group study was made by Mr. Murphy and was seconded by Mr. McGee. The motion carried.

Mr. McGee asked Mr. Wallace if he didn't mind being contacted in helping with that study group.

Mr. Wallace agreed.

7. ADE BUDG-25 Expenditure Analysis for FY 2009

Included in the Board packet was a letter received from ADE regarding the FY 2009 Expenditure Budget. Mrs. Gates reviewed and explained the incorrect calculations submitted from ADE. Mrs. Gates apologized for the Board receiving this letter not for Mrs. Gates but for ADE because they have been short staffed. ADE has one person who has taken upon himself to redo all calculations because they were not correct. She explained that Business Managers receive around four emails a week with corrections. There is a BUDG-25 that comes out and she reviews it because by statute they have to send out a letter to the legislature and to the Board members on how the district has figured out their budget. When the first BUDG-25 came out Mrs. Gates noticed that it was incorrect and she emailed them and received a response from one of the new employees that it had been taken care of. Then the district received the attached letter which indicates that the district has exceeded the district limits by 319,000 in M&O, \$1,000,000 in Unrestricted, and \$2,000 in soft capital. Mrs. Gates provided the Board with the BUDG-25 report and referred them to look at that report and she pointed out where the error is because this is not correct. She asked the Board to look at the first page of the report under K-3 Override that the calculation is incorrect. Mrs. Gates stated that the M& O override is just \$1,000 difference due to ADM and a lot of times you have a minuet difference there. As the Board recalls the K-3 Override is 5% of the M&O Override. ADE's calculations are \$701,000 and the district is \$1,200,000 which is 5% of the district M&O Override. In

addition, the Capital Outlay Override they do not have it included in the ADE budget. These two items will get the district in a \$1,000,000 deficit. Mrs. Gates has emailed and called the employee with ADE and will get this corrected and she will get the Board a corrected copy. She also mentioned that these are both simple corrections that should have been made before they issued this letter. Mrs. Gates wanted it to be corrected and hopes they will solve the issue.

Mr. Murphy stated that if he had to place his financial well being of his house on either Mrs. Gates or ADE he would take Mrs. Gates any day of the week.

8. Internet Acceptance ++

Included in the packet was form that the district has developed for students in terms of internet access and what they can and can't do. The superintendent recommended approval of the internet acceptance form. He stated that we will contact ASBA and see where it fits in the policy manuals. The motion to approve the internet acceptance form was made by Mr. McGee and was seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion carried.

C. Governing Board – Discussion and Possible Action

1. Approval of the 2009 Governing Board Meeting Schedule

The superintendent requested approval of the traditional 2009 Governing Board Meeting schedule as it was distributed to the Board. He reminded the Board that the schedule normally changes two or three times during the year depending on what the district has going on. The motion to approve the 2009 Governing Board Meeting Schedule was made by Mr. Murphy and was seconded by Mrs. Hall. The motion carried.

VIII. Superintendent/Administrative Reports

Dr. St. John - reported that district wide enrollment is 4850 with 1268 at Anza, 1413 at SHS, 607 at SIS, 633 at SMS, 717 at SPS with 94 at the ECC that have SAIS numbers, and 220 at Sopori.

The superintendent's upcoming events include a MEC Goal One Graduate Program tomorrow at Sunnyside High School. Dr. Valenzuela and the superintendent will be meeting with the district's attorney on a personnel matter tomorrow.

The superintendent will be meeting tomorrow with Jim Stahle regarding the progress of the new high school at Sahuarita Park. In addition, Mr. Stahle also wants to talk about a joint meeting between the school Board and the town council.

Dr. St. John will be attending a CFWE meeting as he will be elected President Elect for the CFWE Board. He announced that the collaborative meeting is next Monday night and assumed that the Board has commented to Lizette on who is going to attend.

The superintendent will be meeting with Nancy Freeman who is a local activist that wanted to talk with the superintendent regarding the TV Access that we are always having in our district in terms of the district having a beautiful television production studio and can't get out on the street with it. The superintendent stated that he suspects that once Nancy can be fairly persistent.

The Community Advisory Group will be meeting within the next couple of weeks. The superintendent will be attending the P-20 council meeting, MEC meeting, and County School Superintendent meeting.

The superintendent stated that there is a week in December where the district is having a program called Smart Moves. The program is focused on traffic safety.

Recent events include the CFWE meeting, construction meetings, and the internet access committee meeting. The district held its first safety committee meeting and will be meeting again because the district has some things to do between now and then. The superintendent reported that the kindergarten Halloween parade was in the district office and was very fun.

The superintendent stated that the SHS band participated in the 1st annual homecoming parade, at Friday night's homecoming football game, the CFWE parade, and also participated in the Band Day Saturday evening. The superintendent thought that they ought to be recognized for that because that was a long 48 hours for band students and their parents.

Dr. St. John announced that Elaine Hall and Kris Ham will be attending the ASBA conference and asked the Board if anyone would like to change their mind and attend they just need to let us know.

Dr. Valenzuela – reported that he had a wonderful time at the Sopori Health Day last Saturday. He stated that it was a wonderful community event. They had vendors, firefighters, helicopters, free healthy food, and information from all the vendors. Dr. Valenzuela stated that it was a wonderful example of the spirit of community that exists in Sahuarita. He gave kudos to Mrs. Raulston for her vision, leadership, and energy.

Fred Huff – Stated that last month was a short month with seventeen days. The miles from home to school were 54, 664 miles. They had 57 field trips totaling 4,632 miles with a total 59,296 miles which amounts to 3,500 miles a day. Fred reported that he has a full crew in his shop and is still short three drivers with three open routes. The bus cameras have all come in with four needing to be hooked up. He stated that there are a few bugs that need to be worked out but are really nice. Dr. Valenzuela had the opportunity to take a look at the installed cameras.

Mrs. Raulston – reported that the 4th graders are going on a field trip to Madera Canyon on the 20th where they will learn about the bugs, plants, and animals living in Madera Canyon. On Wednesday, November 26th is Sopori's Annual Thanksgiving Feast and the Board is invited to attend at 1:00 p.m. The school's winter music program is on December 9th at 6:00 p.m.

Recent events include the Sopori Health Day that took place last Saturday. Over 300 people attended this event. Mrs. Raulston thanked all the vendors, faculty, parents, APIPA, and Sahuarita Sun for all of their help and contributions. On Monday, Sopori had a Veteran as a guest speaker for the students in grades 4th – 6th. Mrs. Raulston thanked the Joe Foss Institute for have the guest speaker and providing U.S. flags for the classrooms. She reported that the students have been calculating their money the past few weeks. The students had a fundraiser and Jasmine Elias who is the student council president has been a great speaker and organizer of the fundraiser. The students had a goal to sell over \$7,000 that on December 5th the students will be coloring the Principal's hair.

Mrs. Steward – thanked the high school staff in inviting the schools participates in the homecoming parade. The students loved seeing everyone in their costumes and band uniforms. The second grade students invited the Rural Metro Firefighters to come in for their annual safety day event were students get to practice fire safety skills such as rolling out of bed and trying to get out of the house. Mrs. Steward mentioned that it was a very nice event and thanked the firefighters for donating their time to the students. She stated that all of SPS kindergarten classes went over to the admin building and had the opportunity to go through a haunted house events were they were given treats. Mrs. Steward stated that this year was a little scary this year but the kids enjoyed it very much. She agreed that the staff enjoyed it just as much as the students do and thank them for doing that especially all of the hard work that went into it.

Last Friday, SPS completed their monthly assembly were students are always recognized for perfect attendance as well as getting owl all star awards for making good choices and following the school rules. A very special part of the assembly came when one of SPS teachers was recognized by Wal-mart as being their teacher of the year. It was a very big surprise to not only her but to the rest of the school. Mrs. Steward mentioned that Barb Tingle who has been a kindergarten teacher at SPS since 2001 was recognized by the Green Valley Wal-mart as being their teacher of the year for her dedication to SPS and the community. She stated that the school is very proud of her and Mrs. Tingle received a \$100.00 gift card to use at her leisure which she already spent in her classroom. In addition, SPS was given \$1,000 to promote education and give the students the best that we can. On Monday, SPS celebrated Veterans' Day by inviting Veterans' in the community to come and participate in an event that the kindergarten class put together. The 1st and 2nd grade classes made cards that they presented to the Veterans'. The kindergarten students sang patriotic songs and invited them to come and have cookies and lemonade. Mrs. Steward stated that they had lots of Veterans' who offered to come back next year to do some presentations in the classrooms. The same evening SPS held their monthly lighted school house event was family members from the community along with their students. They participated in making several patriotic crafts such as making their own flags for their own home. In addition, they had a walk every 30 minutes in honor of the Veterans'. Mrs. Steward mentioned that they will be hosting their juvenile diabetes fundraiser where students can pay \$1 to be out of uniform for one day in support of one of the students that attends SPS.

Mr. Downs – thanked Dr. Valenzuela for getting a grant for three of the schools for volunteer coordinator and many of the things Mr. Downs talked about were coordinated through the schools volunteer coordinator. Last Thursday, SIS had their 1st annual science night and was very successful. Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Ham were in attendance. Students could see different experiments going on at different tables and they also offered free refreshments. Mr. Downs stated that they are looking into doing a math/science night after Christmas. On Monday, SIS held a Veterans Day assembly was they had some Veterans come out and talk about the meaning of Veterans Day and how it started. The 4th grade is visiting the desert museum. This Thursday, SIS will be having their PTP spaghetti game night. On the 17th – 21st SPS is having their can food drive and starting in early December they will get into the Holiday festivities. The 3rd graders will be starting their 2nd benchmark of DIBELS and Galileo Testing. Mr. Downs thanked the Board for the custodian that the Board approved.

Mrs. Shiba – thanked the Board for approving the art program for 1st and 2nd grade students. She also thanked Anza's PTO for a wonderful carnival. There were plenty of activities for the community. The fire and police department were present. Mrs. Shiba thanked the Optimist Club for having their food wagon at the carnival; they always do an incredible job for the schools. She also thanked the Sahuarita Elks Lodge for helping out

everyday of the week last week for red ribbon week. Last week Anza Trail had BMX bike performances which included stunts and tricks for their students on their BMX bikes. They also talked to the students about how they do their stunts as a profession and it looks like fun but to do anything well you have to have a lot of practice, studying, repetition, and how that starts when their younger in school. They ended the performances by saying, "If you're going to get high, do it on a bike".

Upcoming Events include a food drive the week of November 17th. All sports are doing really well. The basketball team has only lost one game and soccer team is struggling a little bit. Mrs. Shiba thanked George Emerson and Daryl Rawson for getting the fields ready and going out of their way to get the equipment that was needed. She also thanked the community for passing the bond and for Dr. St. John and his work. Anza is looking forward to getting the bleachers and scoreboard. DIBELS and Galileo are coming up and will be their second benchmark. Anza Trail's Choir will be touring on December 5th to the Green Valley organizations and the nursing home. On December 5th the PTO will be hosting their family nigh this month and will be an evening old time winter festival dance.

Mrs. Noe – reported that they had 300+ students watch "Journey to the Center of the Earth" in 3D for the PIP program. SMS also had the same BMX assembly as Anza did. They talked about helmets, keep off drugs, and stay in school while doing bike tricks. The 8th graders have continued to go to the U of A and do a tour and talk about career opportunities in school. Mrs. Noe stated that red ribbon week went very well thanks to the Elks Club. The 7th grade classes had the opportunity to see the Mars Landover at the U of A. Mock elections went really well. SMS had their awards assembly from 1st quarter with 50% of students on the honor roll. The leadership class had a canned food drive with a goal of 1,000 pounds and they collected 2,000 pounds. Grades go in this week. PBIS is having a pajama party in the SIS gym. The art club is painting murals in the SMS gym. Mrs. Noe stated that they have a lot of volunteers on campus and directly relates it to having a volunteer coordinator.

Mrs. Silman – reported that volleyball and football are currently in the state playoffs. The cheerleading squad is going to the AIA pre-qualifying state competition this Saturday. Golf placed 9th in the state playoffs and cross-country participated in the state meet last Saturday. Adrianna Woolets placed in the top ten at the meet and received a metal for all state. She is ranked 37th out of 821 female runners in the state of Arizona. The marching band made it to the state finals for the 3rd year in a row.

Tomorrow the Yes Breakaway Club is attending the Arizona Promise Summit to discuss education issues related to high school students. The site council held a campus clean up day last Saturday. Mrs. Silman thanked the 100 volunteers that turned out. The volunteers did mostly landscaping work, they trimmed trees, weeding, and power spraying the sidewalks. She also thanked ROTC for providing lunch to all of the volunteers. The student council conducted a very successful blood drive on Monday. They collected 55 pints of blood for the Red Cross. The band played at the American Legion for Veterans Day. Mrs. Silman recognized Kim Valdez and Dakota Chapman as they are being recognized as the optimist clubs youth appreciation award recipients. They will be honored at a special dinner in Tucson tomorrow evening along with other students from the other Tucson Optimist Clubs.

IX. Consent Agenda – Action

The superintendent recommends approval of those items on the Consent Agenda as they are routine items. Mr. McGee made the motion and was seconded by Mrs. Hall. The motion carried.

A. Employment / Change of Status /Transfers

1. Kyle Anderson, Maintenance Coordinator, Maintenance, Replacement – Effective 10/16/08
2. Terry Bessett, Assistant Boys Basketball Coach, SHS, Replacement – Effective Winter 2008
3. Michelle Doty, Library Technician, SMS, Rehire – Effective 10/22/08
4. Michael Fiesler, Mechanic, Transportation, New Hire – Effective 10/31/08
5. Rueben Siqueros, Custodian, SHS, Replacement – Effective 11/03/08
6. Humberto Soloranzo, PT Custodian, ECC, Replacement – Effective 10/28/08
7. Chet Williams, Bus Driver Trainee, Transportation, Replacement – Effective 11/03/08
8. Javier Banos, Assistant Director of Maintenance, Facilities, Promotion – Effective 10/21/08
9. Troy Casias, Building and Grounds Technician, Anza Trail Park Facilities, Promotion – Effective 11/03/08
10. Maria Galvarro Soria, Bus Driver, Transportation, Status Change – Effective 10/30/08
11. Tania Portugal, LINK Program Specialist PT, LINK Program, Promotion – Effective 10/31/08
12. Laurie Schultz, Bus Driver, Transportation, Status Change – Effective 10/27/08
13. Lynn Thomas, 7th / 8th Grade Language Arts & Social Studies Teacher, Anza Trail, Status Change – Effective 11/03/08

B. Resignations / Terminations / Separations

1. Jill Bond, Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, SHS, Resignation – Effective Winter 2008
2. Joelene Brabazon, Inclusion Health Assistant, SMS, Resignation – Effective 10/31/08
3. Steve Orozco, Turf & Irrigation Specialist, Maintenance/Grounds, Resignation – Effective 10/24/08
4. Bill Lane, Electrician, Facilities, Termination – Effective 11/12/08 ++

C. Volunteers

1. William H. Arnold, SMS
2. Jesus Arvayo, SPS
3. Bernadette Blake, SPS
4. Mary Caulkins, SPS
5. Victoria Cokonis, SPS
6. Arthur L. Dixon, SHS
7. Kim Hardy, SMS
8. Kristy Harris, SMS
9. Terri Hudecek, SMS
10. Jane Lateer, SHS
11. Isaiah Mott, SHS
12. Marsha Olson, Sopori
13. Thomas Osthy, SMS
14. Ann M. Peterson, SMS
15. Robert Sheldon, SMS

D. Addendums

1. Ben Barfield Jr., Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, SHS – Effective Winter 2008
2. Jill Bond, Assistant Volleyball Coach, SHS – Effective 10/31/08
3. Trisha Evans, Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, SHS – Effective Winter 2008
4. Rebecca Lester, Civic Center – Opening and Closing of Facilities, Main Campus & Anza Trail – Effective 10/04/08
5. Charity Quick, Assistant Softball Coach, SHS – Effective Spring 2009
6. James Rawlings, Assistant Football Coach, SHS – Effective Fall 2009

E. Gifts and Donations

1. Greater Green Valley Arts Council, \$2000.00 – Sopori
2. Lifetouch, \$706.00 – SIS
3. Miscellaneous, \$467.00 – Anza Trail
4. Wells Fargo Support Campaign, \$115.38 Project Inspire
5. Wells Fargo Foundation, \$492.10 - SIS
6. Freeport McMoRan Copper and Gold - \$22,000 – School Resource Officer Program

E. Out of State/Out of Country/Overnight Travel

1. Elaine Hall to attend the ASBA Annual Conference in Tempe, Arizona from December 9th – December 12th, 2008.
2. SMS Science Olympiad Students and Erin McDonough to travel to Toyon Bay, Catalina Island, Catalina Island Marine Institute from February 19th – February 22nd, 2009.
3. SHS Varsity Cheerleaders, Katrina Powell, and Colleen Antonovich to compete at the AIA State Qualifiers on November 14th – 15th, 2008 at Barry Goldwater High School in Phoenix, AZ.
4. Dr. Mark Neish to attend the ASBA Legislative Conference from December 9th – December 10, 2008 in Phoenix, AZ.
5. Claudette Welch, to attend a mandatory ADE conference in Prescott, AZ from January 22 – 23, 2009. ++
6. SHS - Mariela Ramos and 18 students to travel to Puerto Rico from March 13th -19th, 2009. ++

F. Use of Facilities

1. The Town of Sahuarita and YMCA has requested the use of the Sahuarita Intermediate School Gym each Saturday from January 31, 2009 – April 4, 2009, and June 13th – August 15, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. to hold a Youth Basketball League.
2. The United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona has requested the use of the Sopori Elementary School Library to prepare free tax returns starting January 28th – March 25th, 2009, excluding (Spring Break) from 2:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. This will be an Official Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Site.
3. The Child Evangelism Fellowship of AZ, Inc. (Pima County Chapter) has requested the use of the Sahuarita Primary School Gym on Thursdays from November 20, 2008 – April 30, 2009 to hold Good News Club Meetings from 2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

4. The Child Evangelism Fellowship of AZ, Inc. (Pima County Chapter) has requested the use of the Anza Trail School Wrestling Room on Wednesdays from November 19, 2008 – April 29, 2009 to hold Good News Club Meetings from 1:35 p.m. – 2:35 p.m.
5. The Town of Sahuarita has requested the use of the Sahuarita Intermediate School Gym on, Saturday, December 6, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. for a Middle School Basketball Tournament.
6. The First Church of Christ, Scientist of Green Valley has requested the use of Pod B in the District Auditorium for a religious lecture on March 14, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in Spanish and 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in English.

G. Student Fundraising Activities

1. SHS Girls Soccer Team is requesting permission to sell tickets at Wal-Mart, Fry's, and Safeway for their annual Pancake Breakfast on November 5th -7th, 2008 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
2. SHS Cheerleaders is requesting approval to sell Octopus Car Wash Coupon Books from November 2008 – December 28, 2008 to raise money to attend the Universal Cheerleaders Association Competition.
3. SMS is requesting to be a drop off site for Toys for Tots from November 17th – December 17th, 2008.

H. Teacher Salary Credit for Graduate Educational Units

1. Amber Bryant
2. Amy Kaminski
3. Beth Summerhill
4. Kent Thompson

I. Approval of the SMS Art Club

X. Board Communication

XI. Establish Next Board Meeting – December 3, 2008 – 6:30 P.M. – District Auditorium ++

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully,

Clerk of the Board

