

**WICKENBURG UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9
REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 18, 2016**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Joe Maglio, President, Mr. Curtis Arnett, Member, Ms. Amy Brown, Member, Ms. Sandee Gill, Member, Mr. Daniel Scott, Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Howard Carlson, Victoria Farrar, Lynn Greene, Jennifer Lougee, Derek Streeter, Carissa Hershkowitz, Christina Strauss, Erin Johnson, Rose Garcia, George Pilicy, Patti Slattery, Vince Lorefice

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Maglio called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM. Mr. Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Adoption of the Board meeting agenda for February 18, 2016

A motion was made to adopt the agenda for February 18, 2016.

Motion	Mr. Arnett	Aye
Second	Ms. Brown	Aye
Vote	Ms. Gill	Aye
Vote	Mr. Maglio	Aye
Vote	Mr. Scott	Aye

Motion passed 5-0.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Ms. Brown recognized the wrestling team and the girls' basketball team for going to the playoffs. The girls won their section. Mr. Arnett recognized Mrs. Carlson's art students for their art display at the Wickenburg Art Club's Annual Fine Arts Show.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

George Pilicy commented that, as Proposition 123 will be voted on in May and will probably pass, there are going to be a lot of people who need an explanation as to why they should vote to pass a bond in November. He felt, with the passage of Proposition 123, voters will see a percentage of increase in school funding without raising taxes. Therefore, the District needs to start an education program explaining why this bond is important and why they need to vote for it.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Monthly school reports from the principals of Wickenburg Unified School District No. 9, which include enrollment figures, Safe & Orderly (Student Discipline) Report, how the school is moving each student to the "Next Level" academically, how the school is focusing on providing Quality First Instruction and a general school update.

Mr. Maglio congratulated the Festival Foothills boys' basketball team, who were undefeated and won the conference tournament. He also recognized the improvement the girls' basketball team made during the season. He asked how the 2nd session of the Gym games went. Ms. Strauss told him the second season is going well; among the activities offered are soccer, basketball, gym games, and chess. She also commented the holiday concert went well, with an attendance of approximately 400 people. He commented on the volunteer situation and the comradery going on at Festival Foothills. Ms. Strauss told him they were encouraged by the response to the volunteer program.

Mr. Maglio asked Ms. Hershkowitz the reason the data section for Hassayampa Elementary School's 5th Grade Eureka Pilot Math was left blank because there was no data as of yet. Ms. Hershkowitz told him the District Formative Assessments (DFA's) do not align for the 5th grade Eureka Pilot Math, and they had tried to stay true to the pilot. He commented that the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) looked like it was going fantastic, and the celebrations are great.

Mr. Maglio asked Ms. Lougee about the use of the "Tip411" app, which can be used by students and/or parents to anonymously report bullying incidents or wrong doing. Ms. Lougee told him there was not a lot of use of this app yet. Mr. Maglio was concerned some might use the app to submit erroneous information. He asked how much money the school had raised in their "Penny War". Ms. Lougee told him approximately \$400.

He commented the Wickenburg High School report was easy to read. He noticed the senior class is small this year. He also noted the 21st CCLC grant will end this year and expressed the hope that it will be renewed.

He commented the Wickenburg Virtual Academy did not know about the JTED funding at the time of their report, but had new passed. He told Ms. Garcia it was a great report.

Ms. Brown enquired about Festival Foothills Elementary School's Galileo 3rd grade reading results. She asked if it was just one test they had done poorly on and if it is an indicator on how they will do on the AzMERIT test. Ms. Strauss told her this is the second testing after being aligned with AzMERIT and that the students were not scoring differently, but the standards have been raised.

Ms. Brown asked Ms. Hershkowitz how many parents attended the 2nd grade parent meeting. Ms. Hershkowitz told her fewer than 20 attended, but they were beginning to see parents who were not quite so involved attend, as well as parents who are very involved. Ms. Brown commented she liked the floats in the parade and the story written by one of the students.

Ms. Brown asked Ms. Lougee about the boys carrying stuffed animals in the pictures included in her report. Ms. Lougee told her this was during Spirit Week on Pajama Day.

Ms. Brown commented on the three different students who were highlighted in the high school's report. She was pleased to see these students recognized.

Ms. Brown asked Ms. Garcia if the students who graduated from the Wickenburg Virtual Academy in December go through a graduation ceremony. Ms. Garcia told her there is no graduation ceremony in December, but believes all who graduated plan to walk in the Wickenburg High School Graduation Ceremony.

Ms. Brown suggested Festival Foothills share their method to successfully recruit so many volunteers so it could possibly be used with Wickenburg Ranch; the opportunity with retirees would be the same.

Ms. Gill felt we should be reaching out to the Wickenburg community for volunteers, as there is a large retiree population.

Mr. Maglio thanked principals for their reports.

BOARD REPORTS

A slide show showing the progress to date of the construction of the visitor dugouts at the high school was shown. Mr. Streeter commended Mr. Arnett for the effort put into the project and Sam Crissman for the construction of the dugouts.

Mr. Arnett told the Board the budget for the project is \$16,000. So far the amount of monies brought in is \$17,100. The original plans have been expanded to include a room with a lockable door for the storage of equipment be added at the end of one of the dugouts. Two large metal wranglers will be put up. A stucco wash will be put on all of the dugouts. This will ensure the dugouts will look the same as the rest of the school and will cover the original purple of the home dugouts, which has faded. It will increase the cost of the project. The dugouts will be habitable by the start of the season and will be finished after the season. Mr. Maglio commended Mr. Arnett and the committee for the project.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Business Account Summaries

1. As of December 31, 2015
2. As of January 31, 2016

B. Payroll Voucher Summary for the amount of \$972,401.39

C. Expense Voucher Summary for the amount of \$365,213.10

Mr. Arnett asked Ms. Farrar if the budget balances were positive, the cash balances were positive, if the District was in compliance, if the District was solvent, and was there anything that would question the Board's stewardship.

Ms. Farrar told him yes, the budget balances and the cash balances were positive, the District was in compliance and solvent, and no, there was nothing that would question the Board's stewardship.

Mr. Arnett expressed appreciation for the reports. He requested the titles of the financial reports to reflect the period they covered. Ms. Farrar told him this would be done.

A motion was made to approve the Financial Reports, as submitted.

Motion	Mr. Arnett	Aye
Second	Ms. Brown	Aye
Vote	Ms. Gill	Aye
Vote	Mr. Maglio	Aye
Vote	Mr. Scott	Aye

Motion passed 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Arnett request Consent Agenda Items A-Governing Board Minutes for January 12, 2016 and C-IGA's/Agreements - Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Wickenburg Regarding the Adjacent Ways Project at Hassayampa Elementary School be pulled for discussion.

A. Governing Board Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2016

B. Personnel

1. Approval of New and/or Restructured Positions
2. Personnel Action Reports
3. Wickenburg Unified School Classified Staff New Hire Placement Guide

C. IGA's/Agreements

1. Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Wickenburg Regarding the Adjacent Ways Project at Hassayampa Elementary School

D. Donations

1. Donation of \$7000 to the Bases Loaded Home Run Project by the John K. and Lynne D. Boyer Foundation
2. Donation of \$100 to the Wickenburg High School Rifle Team by Mr. Don Keziah

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda Items B1, B2, B3, D1 and D2 for February 18, 2016.

Motion	Ms. Brown	Aye
Second	Mr. Scott	Aye
Vote	Mr. Arnett	Aye
Vote	Ms. Gill	Aye
Vote	Mr. Maglio	Aye

Motion passed 5-0.

Governing Board Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2016

Mr. Arnett requested the minutes for June 12, 2016 be revised to clarify his statement on the validity of testing, stating “the test item is valid only to the extent to which the test truly measures what the test makers think should be measured”.

A motion was made to approve the revised Governing Board Minutes for January 12, 2016.

Motion	Mr. Arnett	Aye
Second	Ms. Brown	Aye
Vote	Ms. Gill	Aye
Vote	Mr. Maglio	Aye
Vote	Mr. Scott	Aye

Motion passed 5-0.

Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Town of Wickenburg Regarding the Adjacent Ways Project at Hassayampa Elementary School (HES)

Mr. Arnett asked if the District would have sufficient funds through the adjacent ways funding.

Dr. Carlson told him the District will have the required funding between grant funds and funding coming into the District by the end of the year. Mr. Ben Hufford of Hufford, Horstman, Mongini, Parnell & Tucker, P.C. has reviewed the IGA. He further commented the Town and the District have been looking at this project for several years. He extended his thanks to Josh Wright, Wickenburg Town Manager and Vince Lorefice, Public Works Director for the Town of Wickenburg.

Mr. Lorefice presented the Board with information regarding the project.

Phase I of the project will channel flood water runoff from Tegner Street, down Coconino Street and will exit Hassayampa Elementary School’s (HES) parking lot on the north side. This phase, with the approval of the IGA by the Wickenburg Unified School District Governing Board, will begin with bids being awarded in March, and should be complete in June.

Phase II will include creating a spillway that will channel floodwaters away from the HES parking lot areas that flood. Ms. Brown asked Mr. Lorefice how long Phase II would take. He said Phase II will mean working with the Army Corp of Engineering for federal permits and will take about 12 months to complete.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda Item C1, Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Wickenburg Regarding the Adjacent Ways Project at Hassayampa Elementary School and to approve the Board President to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Motion	Mr. Arnett	Aye
Second	Ms. Brown	Aye
Vote	Ms. Gill	Aye
Vote	Mr. Maglio	Aye
Vote	Mr. Scott	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

The first reading of the following Policy Advisories took place:

1. BEC – Executive Sessions/Open Meeting Laws
2. BEDA – Notification of Board Meetings
3. BEDH – Public Participation at Board Meetings
4. GCQF – Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members

No motion was required.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- ❖ Financial Calendar
- ❖ Accounting of Tax Credit monies
- ❖ Discussion concerning the grade point average to establish eligibility for extracurricular activities
- ❖ Meeting with legislators

ANNOUNCEMENTS, CALENDAR

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion	Ms. Brown	Aye
Second	Ms. Gill	Aye
Vote	Mr. Arnett	Aye
Vote	Mr. Maglio	Aye
Vote	Mr. Scott	Aye

Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

ATTEST: _____

Mr. Joe Maglio, Board President