



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
FOUNTAIN HILLS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 98**

"We Achieve and Celebrate Educational Excellence"

September 14, 2016

Annual Board Retreat – 4:00 p.m.

The Board conducted their annual Board Retreat to:

- Review/Clarify the Roles and Responsibilities of the Superintendent and Governing Board
- Review school board operating protocol
- Review Current Goals
- Review Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats
- Focus on Opportunities

Adjournment at 6:20 p.m.



A regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Fountain Hills Unified School District #98, Maricopa County, was called to order at **6:30 p.m.** at the FHUSD Learning Center, 16000 E. Palisades Blvd., Fountain Hills, Arizona.

Board Members in attendance were: Jill Reed, President; Edith Stock, Vice President; Dr. C.T. Wright; Judith Rutkowski and Dr. Wendy Barnard.

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the agenda as presented. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Mrs. Reed called upon Katie Laessig, STUGO representative to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Informational Reports

a. Superintendent Comments – Dr. Patrick Sweeney

- Dr. Sweeney thanked all the teachers that participated in the ATI Galileo training sessions and special thanks to Mrs. Dehombreux for leading the training.
- Dr. Sweeney attended the ASBA Law Conference on September 8-9. The conference was information driven and focused on current issues.
- Superintendent Diane Douglas will hold a Town Hall meeting at the FHUSD Learning Center on November 2 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- The district will be offering a new after school program to elementary and middle school students on computer coding. The sessions will be eight weeks long and we will offer three sessions. The district is partnering with CodaKid.org to offer this

program. A special thanks to PTO for helping with the cost of the program. More information will be coming in the Friday Falcon Focus.

b. STUGO Report – Mr. Will Sleeth, STUGO Advisor, Kolton Coultrap, Katie Laessig & Davis Smith

- Seniors are designing Spirit T-shirts to be sold. They also had a parking auction to raise funds.
- Juniors are busy working on Prom. More details will be coming after the Winter Break. Until then, everything remains a secret. They are also selling bagels.
- Sophomores are working on fundraisers. They would like to have a haunted house and currently are selling concessions at Middle School sporting events.
- Freshmen are helping with the sale of concessions for sporting events and other fundraisers.
- Mr. Sleeth is the STUGO advisor. This is the second year that STUGO has been a club and not a class so it is challenging to find time with busy schedules. He is encouraged with the good start the club has had this year. STUGO is an exciting group. The club met with the Big Brothers Big Sisters Organization and will plan to partner with them as a community project. They plan to have a clothing drive and would like to involve the community.
- You may follow STUGO on two social media accounts: Twitter and Instagram.

c. Student Activity Accounts

d. Auxiliary Account Funds

e. Site Council Minutes

Public Comments: - None

Consent Agenda

- a. Disposal of Fixed Assets – Computer Monitor and Binder Books from Four Peaks/Middle School.
- b. Donations
- c. Accounts Payable Vouchers – August 1 through August 31, 2016
- d. Payroll Vouchers – August 25 September 8, 2016
- e. Personnel Action – **Resignation:** Suzette Deboard (MM Art Teacher)
- f. Minutes of August 24, 2016

Dr. Wright moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Information/Discussion Items:

The Middle School 8th Grade Earthquest Trip to Imperial Beach, San Diego, California is scheduled for April 26-28, 2017. The objectives for outdoor education classes at YMCA Camp Surf are aligned to both the Next Generation Science Standards and Common Core State Content Standards. Activities emphasize the development of student perceptions, sensitivities, and awareness of the natural environment. They are designed to build a basic understanding of Ecological principles and the relationship between individuals and the rest of the natural world. Approximately 60-80 students plus chaperones will attend.

Action Items:

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the **7th Grade Stargazers** annual trip to AstroCamp in Idyllwild, California on October 17-19, 2016. Dr. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Dr. Barnard moved the Board approve the **DECA Trip to Leadership Camp** in Heber, Arizona on September 16-18, 2016. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the **Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)** between Pima County JTED and FHUSD for 2016-2017. Dr. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Mrs. Stock moved the Board approve the **Intergovernmental Agreement** between Fountain Hills Unified School District and Paradise Valley School District for online curriculum. Mrs. Rutkowski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve NCS Pearson, Inc.; Renaissance Learning, Inc.; Century Link; Cox Communications; Stifel; Moody Investor Service; MCEA and Arizona School Risk Retention Trust as Sole Source Vendors. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Future Action

- Extracurricular Trip – Earthquest
- Capital Plan, Bond and Override Report

Governing Board Reports

- Mrs. Rutkowski attended the ASBA Law Conference and represented the Governing Board as a delegate for the Delegate Assembly. She also attended the Back to school event.
- Dr. Wright commended the Superintendent for a great Board Retreat that was professionally done. Thank you.
- Mrs. Stock attended the ASBA Law Conference and the Back to school event. She also met with Ft. McDowell staff and toured their educational facility.
- Dr. Barnard attended the Back to school bash that was a great community event. She also attended the ASBA Pre-Conference.
- Mrs. Reed thanked Mrs. Stock for leading the Board meeting last month in her absence. Mrs. Reed attended the “Coffee with Cain” in which the room was packed. It’s a great time to hear about the great and positive things going on at the High School. Mrs. Reed also thanked the Board for a great retreat and stated that the Administrative Team is making the Board’s job easier. It’s good to see the District moving forward.

Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Wednesday, September 28, 2016 – 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 26, 2016 – 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

At 7:05 p.m. Mrs. Rutkowski moved to adjourn the business meeting. Dr. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Dated this 14th day of September 2016

Jill Reed, President

Edith Stock, Vice President

Dr. C.T. Wright

Judith Rutkowski

Dr. Wendy Barnard