



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

"We Achieve and Celebrate Educational Excellence"

August 10, 2016

A regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Fountain Hills Unified School District #98, Maricopa County, was called to order at **6:00 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; and Judith Rutkowski. Absent: Dr. Wendy Barnard

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Reed called upon Ms. Caroline Lynch to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Session

Dr. Wright moved the Board go into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1) at 6:01 p.m. to discuss or consider assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of an employee. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

The regular meeting reconvened at 6:26 p.m.

Informational Reports

a. Superintendent Comments

- Dr. Sweeney reported that the opening day of the 2016-2017 school year went well. Principals and staff were well prepared and it was an exciting and positive beginning.
- Dr. Sweeney thanked the principals, staff, PTO, parents and students for the great Welcome Back to School events. The planning and hard work gave a positive start to the school year.
- Enrollment is better than we expected. Nine grade levels are up in attendance from what was projected.
- The Board previewed the digital marketing video, which has over 2,000 hits on YouTube. It is with much gratitude to David Racich, Eric Palmer and Shaon Shamsul from Brokers Alliance for their ideas and expertise. The district is planning to do five more videos.

Public Comments: - None

Consent Agenda

- a. Donations – approximately \$30.00
- b. Accounts Payable – June 1 through July 31, 2016
- c. Personnel Action – **New Hires:** Judy Leadbeater (FP, 5th grade); Jami Rodriguez (MM, 3rd grade); Francisca Acuna (FHHS Spanish); Mary Trimble (FHHS, CTE Health Careers); Diana

- Clark (MM, Music); Jean Nelson (FHUSD, Pre-K-12 SLP) **Resignations:** Michelle Kumar (FHHS Instructional Aide) **Termination:** Richard Florez (FHHS, Custodian)
- d. Minutes of July 6, 2016

Mrs. Stock moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Rutkowski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Information/Discussion Items:

The **Sister Cities Club** would like to host a trip to Sedona, Flagstaff and the Grand Canyon for visiting students/teachers from Germany. The trip is scheduled for October 26-27, 2016. The German students would experience the natural beauty and landmarks of Arizona and learn about Native American culture.

The **Sister Cities Club** would like to plan a trip to Dierdorf, Germany and Zamosch, Poland. The trip would be scheduled after graduation 2017. Students will have an opportunity to grow and develop personal and leadership skills. They will step outside their comfort zone to travel to a foreign country, stay with a host family and interact with people from a different culture and country. They also benefit from establishing new friends and long-lasting relationships.

Policy EBAA – Reporting of Hazards/Warning Systems; Policy JC – School Attendance Areas and Policy KB – Parental Involvement in Education: House Bill 2190 initiated changes to a number of education or education related statutes. Corresponding changes have been made to policy documents based on the statutory language that has been added or deleted.

Policy IHAMC – Instruction and Training in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation is a new policy that has been added to the Policy Manual. Senate Bill 1137 amended A.R.S. 15-718.01 and 43-1089.011 related to school curricula. The substance of this legislation directs school districts and charter schools to offer instruction and training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) as a mandatory, not a discretionary duty. CPR instruction and training is required to be provided no later than July 1, 2019. This new policy has been created for this required instruction.

Senate Bill 1239 added A.R.S. 15-258 to Title 15, Education. This section directs the Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish a **state seal of bi-literacy program** to recognize students who graduate from a school operated by a school district or charter school located in this state and who have attained a high level of proficiency in one or more languages in addition to English. School districts or charter schools may voluntarily participate in the state seal of bi-literacy program by notifying the Superintendent of Public Instruction of such intentions. Schools will then identify the students who have met the requirements to be awarded the state seal of bi-literacy, which shall be affixed to the diploma and noted on the transcript of each student who has met the requirements. The CPR instruction and training is also included in this policy.

Policy JFABD – Admission of Homeless Students and Policy JFB – Open Enrollment: A.R.S. 15-816.01 has been revised by HB 2665 to allow school districts to give enrollment preference to children who are in foster care and to allow charter schools, as authorized in an addition to A.R.S 15-183, to give enrollment preference to children who are in foster care or meet the definition of unaccompanied youth prescribed in the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

Policy JICI – Weapons in School: House Bill 2338 amended A.R.S. 13-2911 by adding the following language to subsection I: *....the governing board of an educational institution may not adopt or enforce any policy or rule that prohibits the lawful possession or carrying of a deadly weapon on a*

public right-of-way by a person or on or within a person's means of transportation. A.R.S. 13-2911(K)(5) further states the Public right-of-way means any highway, street, road, thoroughfare, path, alley or other right-of-way that is publicly accessible and that is established and maintained by this state or a political subdivision of this state. Public right-of-way does not include property of an educational institution.

Policy JJJ – Extracurricular Activity Eligibility: The legislature amended A.R.S. 15-347, in Senate Bill 1219 which includes the following language: *A school district governing board, a charter school or an interscholastic athletic association of which a school district governing board or charter school is a member may not prohibit a pupil from wearing a religious or cultural accessory or hair piece while participating in an extracurricular or athletic activity if the accessory or hair piece does not jeopardize the health or safety of the pupil or any other person participating in the activity, as determined by the supervisor of the extracurricular activity or the officiant of the athletic activity.* This language has been incorporated in Policy JJJ and various policies are cross referenced.

Policy JLCD – Medicines/Administering Medicines to Students: House Bill 2355 expands the General powers and duties of the Governing Board which now includes the requirement in A.R.S. 15-341(A)(43) that the Governing Board shall prescribe and enforce policies and procedures for the emergency administration of naloxone hydrochloride or any other opioid antagonist approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration by an employee of a school district pursuant to Section 36-2267, Administration of opioid antagonist; exemption from civil liability; definition, which, in part states the following: *A person may administer an opioid antagonist that is prescribed or dispensed pursuant to section 32-1979 or 36-2266 in accordance with the protocol specified by the physician, nurse practitioner, pharmacist or other health professional to a person who is experiencing an opioid-related overdose. A person who in good faith and without compensation administers an opioid antagonist to a person who is experiencing an opioid-related overdose is not liable for any civil or other damages as the result of any act or omission by the person rendering the care or as the result of any act or failure to act to arrange for further medical treatment or care for the person experiencing the overdose, unless the person while rendering the care acts with gross negligence, willful misconduct or intentional wrongdoing. For the purpose of this section, "person" includes an employee of a school district or charter school who is acting in the person's official capacity.*

Policy JRR – Student Surveys and Policy LC – Relations with Education Research Agencies: The legislature passed extensive additions to statutes pertaining to pupil information specifically addressing surveys, parental permission and informed consent. House Bill 2088 amended A.R.S. 15-101, 15-249 and 15-741. A.R.S. 15-117 was added as a new section. A.R.S. 15-117 is a new section which describes the mandatory duties of school districts and charter schools in the areas of surveys; pupil information; parental permission and informed consent; exceptions; penalties; and definitions. The initial requirement in this section is notwithstanding any other law, each school district and charter school shall obtain written informed consent from the parent of a pupil before administering any survey that is retained by a school district, a charter school or the department of education for longer than one year and that solicits personal information about the pupil regarding a number of characteristics which are listed in the statute. These policies have been revised per the statute changes.

AR.S. 36-601.01, Smoke-free Arizona act, states that smoking is prohibited in all public places and places of employment within the state of Arizona, with certain exceptions. The primary objective of the law is to prohibit smoking in public places. **Policy KFAA – Smoking on School Premises at Public Functions** has, therefore, been removed from the ASBA Policy Manual as the more general and inclusive prohibition pertaining to smoking is codified under Title 36, Public Health and Safety, and is applicable in all public school facilities in Arizona,

Action Items:

Mrs. Reed moved the Governing Board authorize the district's official delegate to the ASBA Delegate Assembly to vote on behalf of the Governing Board. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between EVIT and FHUSD for the usage of space. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Future Action

- Policies
- Extracurricular Trips
- PV IGA for Online Curriculum

Governing Board Reports

- Mrs. Rutkowski continues to follow Facebook and enjoy the positive posts and pictures. She also commented on the article in the paper welcoming students. She is excited for the future of FHUSD.
- Mrs. Stock thanked the staff for their good work and preparation for the beginning of the school year. She also is keeping current with Webinars regarding legislative actions.
- Mrs. Reed thanked the principals for an awesome first day of school. Traffic moved smoothly with drop offs and pickups. She attended Falcon Fest on August 3rd and was impressed with the organization and the Falcon leaders. She also attended the FP/MS Meet Your Teacher. There was an excitement from teachers and students in anticipation of a great year. Mrs. Reed attended the Boo Hoo/Woo Hoo Breakfast sponsored by the PTO for the McDowell Mountain parents. It was a great event supporting parents of students attending school for the first time.
- Mrs. Reed gave Kudos to Mr. Jagodzinski and the high school staff for the great communication and updates on what was happening on campus when the monsoon storm hit on Tuesday. She received an email, phone call, text on the procedures taken and then a follow up once the storm passed.

Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Wednesday, August 24, 2016 – 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

Wednesday, September 14, 2016 – 4:00 p.m. Board Retreat, Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m.

At 7:03 p.m. Mrs. Rutkowski moved to adjourn the business meeting. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Dated this 10th day of August 2016

Jill Reed, President

Edith Stock, Vice President

Dr. C.T. Wright

Judith Rutkowski

Dr. Wendy Barnard