



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

"We Achieve and Celebrate Educational Excellence"

June 24, 2015

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: Edith Stock, Vice President; Dr. C.T. Wright; Judith Rutkowski and Dr. Wendy Barnard. Absent: Jill Reed, President

Dr. Wright moved the Board approve the agenda with removal of Information/Discussion Item 9 a.(Revisions to Policy GCO). Mrs. Rutkowski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Stock called upon Dr. Paul McElligott to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing on the Budget:

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board suspend the regular meeting and conduct a Public Hearing on the Budget FY 2015-2016. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Lawrence reviewed the 2015-2016 Budget, which has been available on our website for public review as required by statute. The three areas of the budget that are formula driven are the Maintenance and Operations Budget, the Capital Budget, and the Classroom Site Fund. There are other parts of the budget that are unknown at this time, such as the cash accounts and special programs. The budget capacity on those accounts was projected and will be updated throughout the year. He reminded the Board that the budget may be revised throughout the year. There were no questions from the Board or the Public.

Dr. Barnard moved to close the Public Hearing and reconvene the regular meeting. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

The regular meeting reconvened at 6:35 p.m.

Informational Reports

a. Superintendent Comments

- Mr. Lawrence stated that he was appreciative of the opportunities this district has provided him over the last 28 years. It certainly has been his distinct pleasure to work with everyone and his privilege to service the district for the last 28 years. He knows as he leaves that the district is in good hands.

b. Site Council Minutes

Public Comments: - None

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

Information/Discussion Items:

The **1GPA Cooperative Purchasing Agreement** allows school districts the ability to participate in any bid or proposal issued under the authority of 1GPA. By entering into this agreement, the district will receive better pricing on bleacher maintenance and repair, saving the district approximately \$3,000.

Action Items:

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the revisions to the **Teacher Evaluation System** as mandated by A.R.S. 15-537. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Dr. Barnard moved the Board approve the five (5) year agreement with Kyrene School District for printing services. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the Des Plaines Valley Region License Agreement for a website base code template. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Stock moved the Board approve the Extracurricular Fee Schedule for the 2015-2016 school year. Dr. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 4-0.

Dr. Barnard moved the Board approve board meeting dates for the 2015-2016 school year. Dr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Stock moved the Board approve the Annual Budget for 2015-2016. Mrs. Rutkowski seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Rutkowski moved the Board approve the new organizational chart for 2015-2016 and receive regular updates regarding how the new plan is working. Mrs. Stock seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Stock moved the Board authorize the Superintendent to issue certified contracts from July 1 through August 12, 2015. Dr. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Mrs. Stock moved the Board approve a July 8, 2015 board meeting to approve pending housekeeping items. Mrs. Rutkowski seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 4-0.

Future Action

- Cooperative Purchasing Agreement 1GPA
- Meal Price increase
- Housekeeping Items

Governing Board Reports

- Mrs. Rutkowski took a Webinar on the Do's and Don'ts for future Bonds. She is also excited about Mrs. Dehombreux's RTI program, the new freshman orientation program to introduce freshman to the high school, the re-ten commandments the teachers will follow for teaching our students, and other things.
- Dr. Wright, being the senior member of the Board expressed special thanks to Mr. Lawrence for the outstanding job he has done as Superintendent. He has had many successes. He has a management style that some people may not understand; he does things very politely and quietly. Thank you for your work on the Bond and Capital Overrides. Thank you for continuing and ensuring that FHUSD has the best technology and instruction. Thank you for the work you have done. Thank you for using your calmness to calm the waters. Mr. Lawrence came to the Superintendent position at the right time. He was needed at that time. His work is not over. It may be over as the Superintendent of FHUSD but he is still young and he has a future. Mr. Lawrence also worked with the State School Superintendent and was President of the North East Valley Education Consortium providing leadership at the state level. We are proud of Mr. Lawrence and thank him for all he has done for this school district. Keep up the good work. God Bless you and your family.
- Dr. Barnard thanked Superintendent Lawrence for his leadership. She moved to Fountain Hills 5 years ago and watched Mr. Lawrence move from Principal into the Superintendent's role. When he became Superintendent she remembers teachers saying what a breath of fresh air he was. This year it was so nice getting to know Mr. Lawrence. His quiet leadership has accomplished so much and he always had the best interest of the students first and foremost. She also thanked him for the great transition as he has worked closely with Dr. Sweeney. This just shows that Mr. Lawrence is a wonderful man of integrity.
- Mrs. Stock agrees and concurs with the other members. She also appreciates Mr. Lawrence's patience as he tutored her on finances and other board issues. She read a newspaper article from US News that ranked the top high schools in Arizona. Fountain Hills High School ranked 24 out of 282. She also attended the ASBA Summer Institute in Flagstaff. Again, she thanked Mr. Lawrence for all that was accomplished under his leadership. He will be missed.

Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Wednesday, July 8, 2015 – 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

At 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Rutkowski moved to adjourn the business meeting. Dr. Barnard seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Dated this 24th day of June 2015.

Jill Reed, President

Edith Stock, Vice President

Dr. C.T. Wright

Judith Rutkowski

Dr. Wendy Barnard