

**CEDAR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JEDITO SCHOOL BOARD ROOM
FEBRUARY 21, 2017**

MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER** The Cedar Unified Regular School Board Meeting was called to order by Iris Yessilth, Board President at 5:41 p.m.
- STATEMENT OF WELCOME** Iris Yessilth welcomed all in attendance.
- ROLL CALL** Mr. Noggle called roll. Those present were Iris Yessilth, Jarrahlyn Begaye and Toni Mina. Francis Ambrose, Sr. and Ladybird Jack were absent.
- Francis Ambrose, Sr. arrived at 5:43 p.m. and Ladybird Jack joined the meeting via telephone at 5:56 p.m.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Toni Mina motioned to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Iris Yessilth. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Iris Yessilth motioned to approve the minutes of December 20, 2017 as submitted. Motion seconded by Francis Ambrose Motion carried with 4 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.
- CALL TO THE PUBLIC
(STUDENT & COMMUNITY
RESPONSE)** None
- SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**
- 1. Calendar of Events**
- Mr. Noggle informed the board that his superintendent report is in the packet. He provided a schedule for the next few months: for personnel items, such as contracts/work agreements, he will bring 12 month employees to the board in March, certified staff in April and classified staff in May. He informed the board about the make up days which we missed school due to mud, will be on Fridays. Other items on the schedule is information for the governing board with end of the year activities, such as school board meetings, promotion and fieldtrips.
- Francis Ambrose asked about the teacher evaluation process and if they will be done by the end of March or before Spring Break. Mr. Noggle replied that summative evaluations will be done, in regards to performance pay, those will be done after the last benchmark. Francis Ambrose stated that certified contracts must be issued by a certain date. Mr. Noggle replied that law was repealed several years back and no longer applies. The certified staff will be on the board agenda in April.
- OLD BUSINESS** A.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Organizational Meeting

Francis Ambrose Sr. motioned to nominate Iris Yessilth to continue as Board President. Motion seconded by Jarrahlyn Begaye. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Francis Ambrose, Sr. motioned to nominate Toni Mina as Board Clerk. Motion seconded by Jarrahlyn Begaye. Motion carried with 3 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention. Toni Mina abstained.

B. Approval of Governing Board Meeting Dates and Times for FY2017

Iris Yessilth motioned to approve the Governing Board Meeting Dates and Times for FY2017. Motion seconded by Jarrahlyn Begaye. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor, 0 opposed 0 abstentions.

C. Discussion and Possible Approval of School Calendar Change

Mr. Noggle informed the board that we have to notify Arizona Department of Education when we change the school calendar.

Iris Yessilth motioned to approve the school calendar change as presented. Motion seconded by Francis Ambrose. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

D. Discussion and Possible Action to Ratify the Contract with Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint Survey for Jeddito Elementary School

Mr. Noggle informed the board that this is the Brownfield Grant for removal of the mold infested building. He stated that this is the first step and the grant is in the amount of \$14,000.00.

Francis Ambrose motioned to approve to ratify the contract with Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Asbestos and Lead Based Paint Survey for Jeddito Elementary School. Motion seconded by Toni Mina. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

E. Discussion and Possible Action on Student Organization Fundraising Events for Remainder of SY2016-2017

Iris Yessilth motioned to approve the fundraising events for the remainder of SY2016-2017 as presented. Motion seconded by Jarrahlyn Begaye. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

F. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the SY2017-2018 School Calendar

Mr. Noggle shared school calendars for Hopi Jr/Sr High School and Holbrook School District with the board. He stated that the difference is

Hopi doesn't have a fall break but Holbrook does. Our spring break doesn't match with theirs, which could pose a problem for some of our parents who have children in either school and Jeddito. Mr. Noggle explained that he would like to start earlier this year and have teachers and other employees start in July for orientation and classroom preparation. Mr. Noggle also stated that he has increased school days from 145 to 153 plus snow days if needed, with classroom times starting at 7:50 am to 3:10 pm to get students home before dark.

Iris Yessilth motioned to approve the SY2017-2018 school calendar with the change of spring break to the week of March 12-15, 2017. Motion seconded by Jarrahlyn Begaye. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention. Francis Ambrose abstained.

G. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Summer School from June 5, 2017 to June 22, 2017

Mr. Noggle stated that Summer School will be paid out of Title I and will focus on Language Arts and Math.

Francis Ambrose motioned to approve Summer School from June 5, 2017 through June 22, 2017. Motion seconded by Iris Yessilth. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

INFORMATION/REPORTS

A. Travel Authorization Log

B. Maintenance/Transportation, Security and Food Service Reports

PERSONNEL

A. Discussion on Classified Salary Study

Mr. Noggle informed the board that in order for our district to be competitive with other school districts, we need to raise our classified salaries to attract staff. Also, to meet the minimum wage law which went into effect January 1st and another point is raising the salary for exempt staff to \$47,000 plus. He explained to the board that he needs everyone to promote our school so that we bring back students. He further stated that we need to rebuild the trust in the community that Jeddito School is a great place to bring your kids. He informed the board that next year we will move from prior year budgeting to current year budgeting. That will be critical. There will be recommendations on elimination of some positions or reclassification on some positions. He stated that the board will be made aware of that when the time comes. Toni Mina asked why aren't the parents bringing their students here? Mr. Noggle replied that we lost our Hopi students to the new schools on Hopi and Indian Wells is closer to White Cone than Jeddito is. Also, Jeddito has not had a good reputation, there has been a loss of confidence and we need to rebuild it. Mr. Noggle stated that being in receivership and compounded by declining enrollment, Impact Aid and State Aid drops. Toni Mina asked when the district will be out of receivership. Mr. Noggle replied when the district pays their debt to the state. He also explained that with low enrollment the district doesn't have

the extra funds to pay down the debt fast enough to get out of receivership sooner.

Francis Ambrose asked about the idea of vouchers and if that will impact our school. Mr. Noggle replied that he didn't think the vouchers will impact us as much, the purpose of vouchers is to send students to private schools.

B. Approval of Resignation of Venora Dashne-Nez, Parent Liaison/Parent Educator

C. *Discussion and Possible Action on NHAJHL and HEAL Basketball Coaches for SY2016-2017

D. *Discussion and Possible Action for Extra-Duty Pay for Amour Drummond, Odyssey of the Mind and Claudia Edgewater, JAVA for SY2016-2017

Iris Yessilth motioned to approve Items B, C and D as submitted. Motion seconded by Jarrahlyn Begaye. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

E. *Discussion and Possible Action to Hire a Custodian for Remainder of SY2016-2017

Francis Ambrose motioned to go into Executive Session. Motion seconded by Iris Yessilth. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. The board went into executive session at 7:31 p.m. and resumed regular session at 8:02 p.m.

The board did not take action on this item.

FINANCE

A. Discussion and Possible Action on Board Budget Report, 7/1/16 through 1/11/17

Bonnie Haven informed the board as of January 31, 2017 our budget balance in M & O, fund 001 is \$772,000. That looks wonderful, however later in the discussion we will talk about state aid funding discrepancy. Bonnie went through all funds as outlined in the budget report. She explained how the title funds will be adjusted due to the drawdowns she will be making soon. She stated that Johnson O'Malley was given approximately \$9,000.00 and we currently spent \$1,409, leaving a balance of \$7,600. We have had Native American month so she is thinking more needs to be spent on consultants and supplies. She further informed the board that we are using Impact Aid funds to cover the short fall from the state. Both funds can't go in the hole but can help each other. Fund 510, Food Service is \$22,000 in the hole, we have a \$10,000 claim that has not been paid yet for last month, which is out of our control. Also, she had an employee out on FMLA and brought in a temporary employee to cover which was an additional expense not budgeted for. Whatever is not covered at the end of the year it is moved into M & O. The teacherage account has \$2,000 left, however we should be getting approximately \$8,000 more by end of June for rent.

B. Tax Credit Donations

Francis Ambrose motioned to accept the three tax credit donations for 2016 from Fred Ducat \$400.00, John Crawford \$100.00 and Marie A. Galletti/Wayne L. Mitchell \$400.00. Motion seconded by Toni Mina. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

C. State Aid Funding Discrepancy

Bonnie Haven informed the board that we are considered a school in declining enrollment because of that we are given a one year extension to the law, meaning they will base our school funding on actual student count. What that means is in previous years we were able to use the previous year student count for funding for the current year. Now, we are being funded by the actual students we have enrolled. That is really low

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Expense & Payroll Vouchers for SY2016-2017

Payroll Vouchers		Expense Vouchers	
#11	\$96,989.07	#1708	\$55,865.41
#12	\$94,425.56	#1709	\$63,928.91
#13	\$76,197.78		
#14	\$70,493.15		

Francis Ambrose motioned to approve the Payroll voucher #11 in the amount of \$96,989.07, #12 in the amount of \$94,425.56, #13 in the amount of \$76,197.78 and #14 in the amount of \$70,493.15; Expense voucher #1708 in the amount of \$55,865.41 and #1709 in the amount of \$63,928.91. Motion seconded by Iris Yessilth. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

B. Approval of Student Activities Account for December 2016 and January 2017

Francis Ambrose motioned to approve the student activities report as submitted. Motion seconded by Iris Yessilth. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

ADJOURNMENT

A. Next Regular School Board Meeting will be held on March 21, 2017, Jeddito School Board Room, 5:30 p.m.

Iris Yessilth motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Ladybird Jack. Motion carried with 5 votes in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Iris Yessilth, Board President

Toni Mina, Board Clerk