NOGALES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
GOVERNING BOARD
Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 27, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

I. Attendance:
The following Board Members were present:

Manuel Ruiz, President; Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr., Clerk; Members, Barbara Mendoza, Santiny Orozco, and Greg Lucero

a. Call to Order

Mr. Ruiz called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Lucina Romero led all in the pledge.

c. Adoption of the Agenda

A motion was made by Dr. Varona and was seconded by Mr. Lucero for approval.

Motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Governing Board Minutes
a. Approval of the Study Session and Regular Governing Board Minutes of March 30, 2015 and Regular Minutes of April 13, 2015

A motion was made by Dr. Varona for approval of all board minutes as presented and was seconded by Mr. Orozco.
Motion carried unanimously.

III. Governing Board/Superintendent Information
a. Superintendent Reports, Celebrations, Recognitions, Announcements

1) State of Arizona Department of Education has identified Francisco Vasquez de Coronado Elementary School as a "High Performing Award School"

Mr. Parra recognized Mrs. Barber, staff and students for having been identified as a High Performing Award School.
Mrs. Barbara Mendoza read the letter sent from the State of Arizona Department of Education from the office of Superintendent Diane Douglas to Coronado Elementary for the record.

2) Update/Midstate-Energy Savings Projects

Superintendent Parra gave an update on Midstate's contract.
Staff Development meetings to start next year.
Mr. Ricardo "Bambi" De La Riva introduced Mr. Ben Matson of Midstate.
Mr. Matson gave an update on where they were at the moment with the project and introduced his group.
Don Callahan, Projects Manager, gave an update of the work in progress that was being done at the schools.
Midstate also provided copies of schedules.

Dr. Varona asked about the A/C efficiently performance.
Mr. Callahan explained about the units and dropped roofs in order that they may work best.
Dr. Varona further stated that he wanted certified documentation which confirmed that the work was being done and was going to be working at least "x" amount of years or the amount of time of the warranty.
Mr. Matson further added that the warranty they give is done in good faith.
Dr. Varona asked for a report of the first evaluation of Santa Cruz Valley District's project.
Mr. Matson stated they would provide that information.

Mrs. Mendoza made comments about the importance of this project to work well and that she was hopeful that Midstate would do a good job.

3) Update on 2014-15/Final Budget Revision on 5/11/15

Superintendent Parra reported to the Board that the Budget Revision would be presented to them for final approval on May 11, 2015.

4) Discuss a Possible Date for Special Study Session for the 2015/16 Projected Budget

Superintendent Parra asked the Board to set up a study session date for the Budget presentation.
The Board agreed to have a study session on May 26th, at 3:00 p.m.

5) Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Funds Extra Curricular Tax Credit

No questions asked.

b. Governing Board Reports, Celebrations, Recognitions, Announcements

Dr. Varona congratulated DSMS music festival and mentioned that it had been very dynamic. He further expressed his appreciation for a job well done.

Dr. Varona also reported he had attended the DSMS end of year musical and read a letter of appreciation from Milas Yoes, the Director of the Instrumental and Jazz Program from Phoenix College, to Desert Shadows Middle School Music Director, Mrs. Lugo.

Dr. Varona further asked that the Principals thank all the public who attend the extracurricular events at the schools in order that the public may know where their moneys from the override are going.
Dr. Varona finally reported that he had attended the Lion's Club Junior Olympics and enjoyed the nice activities.

Mr. Orozco mentioned that in order to keep him focused he exercised and that he felt that physical exercise for everyone was important for same.

Mr. Lucero reported he had attended the Lion's Club Junior Olympics and he had enjoyed the event.

Mr. Ruiz thanked the Rotary Club for the Student of the Month Program.
He also thanked the high school music program for a job well done.

IV. Call to the Public

Mr. Frederick spoke about the Mingus Festival and of the great quality of musicians the schools have. Also as a President of PEN, he invited the Board to the Training Session that was to be held on Saturday, May 2, 2015.

Ms. Libby McAfee made a clarification on a request by a Board Member who expressed a concern at the last Board Meeting on justifications for raises for the teacher.

V. Consent Agenda Items

Mr. Ruiz read all items for the record.

Mr. Orozco asked to discuss items g-k of the consent agenda.

A motion was made by Mr. Orozco and was seconded by Mr. Lucero for approval. Motion carried unanimously.

a. Approval of Ratification of Expense/Payroll Vouchers
b. Approval of Ratification of Student Activities/Auxiliary Operations Vouchers
c. Approval for NHS FBLA Request for Permission to Continue Raising Funds and Travel from June 27-July 3, 2015 to Chicago, IL
d. Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Lourdes Catholic School
e. Approval of Donation from Santa Cruz County School Superintendent, Alfredo Velasquez ($6000.00 to WCMS to be used for Camp Invention)
f. Approval of Invent Now Inc. Letter of Understanding Summer Program May 2015

g. **Approval to Exceed the $100,000 threshold with Shamrock Farms for FY15-16**
h. **Approval to Exceed the $100,000 threshold with Achieve 3000 for FY15-16**
i. **Approval to Exceed the $100,000 threshold with Triumph Learning for FY15-16**
j. **Approval to Exceed the $100,000 threshold with Follett Ed. Services/Follett School Solutions for FY15-16**
k. **Approval to Exceed the $100,000 threshold with CDWG for FY15-16**

A motion was made by Dr. Varona and seconded by Mrs. Mendoza for the approval of items G through K.

Mr. Orozco asked what the reason was behind exceeding the accounts.
Adelmo Sandoval, Business Director, explained and clarified his concern.
Mr. Ruiz further clarified how the exceeding worked throughout the fiscal years.
Mr. Orozco requested further clarification.
Ms. Scott further clarified about the threshold going to the State and this information being important in order for the State to approve their expense.
Mr. Sandoval in addition clarified that the expense was the vendor limits of expenditure.
Dr. Varona asked for clarification of expenditure of FY 15-16.
Ms. Scott explained that the procurement was being done the right way and by contracts.
Mr. Lucero asked about the difference of going for State Bid or Mohave.
Mr. Sandoval explained the difference between going for a bid and Mohave contracts.

Mr. Parra finally clarified that this is the process that has been done in the past.

Motion carried unanimously.

l. Approval of Personnel Agenda Summary –
Agenda Summary Item number 2-f was tabled.

VI. Action Items – None

VII. Information and Discussion Items – None

VIII. Requests for Future Agenda Items

Mr. Orozco requested information on teachers' salaries.

IX. Adjournment

A motion was made by Dr. Varona and was seconded by Mr. Lucero for adjournment of the public meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Session was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

_____ President
Manny Ruiz

_____ Clerk
Dr. Marcelino Varona, Jr.

_____ Member
Barbara Mendoza

_____ Member
Santiny Orozco

_____ Member
Greg Lucero

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary T. Lopez, Secretary
May 11, 2015

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