



TOLLESON UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 214

**GOVERNING BOARD UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
9801 W. VAN BUREN STREET
TOLLESON, ARIZONA

The Tolleson Union High School District No. 214 Governing Board Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Governing Board President Mr. Steven Chapman with the following members present: Mr. Devin Del Palacio, Ms. Corina Madruga, Mr. Vincent Moreno, and Mr. Freddie Villalon (telephonically until approximately 7:00 p.m.).

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Chapman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Regular Agenda

Ms. Madruga moved to approve the Regular Agenda; seconded by Mr. Del Palacio. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

Celebrations

A. Athletes of the Month

The Athlete of the Month Program recognizes student athletes who exhibit exemplary sportsmanship, performance, leadership, and work ethic, both in the classroom and in a competitive environment. The following January 2016 Athletes of the Month were recognized:

Copper Canyon High School

Crystal Love (Basketball) Jonathan Rodriguez (Soccer)

La Joya Community High School

Carolina Armenta (Soccer) and Jacob Arredondo (Wrestling)

Sierra Linda High School

Jasmine Cardenas Dasilva (Soccer) and Jorge Quinones (Basketball)

Tolleson Union High School

Alexia Marsh (Basketball) and Trey Johnson (Basketball)

Westview High School

Kori Lewis (Soccer) and Julian Rascon (Basketball)

B. Employees of the Month

The Employee of the Month recognition is bestowed upon employees who have exemplified the mission, vision, and purpose of the Tolleson Union High School District. These employees serve as an inspiration to others by showing a commitment to providing excellent customer service and who have made a positive impact on student achievement. The following December 2015 Employees of the Month were recognized for their contributions to the District.

Copper Canyon High School

Dacia Atkinson, Wellness Teacher/Department Chair

Sierra Linda High School

Sushyla Perez, Culinary Arts Teacher

Tolleson Union High School

Alicia Brankel, Literacy Teacher

Westview High School

Courtney Green, Life Skills Teacher

District Office – Special Services Department

Yvette Aragon, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Special Services

C. Rodel Exemplary Principal Semi-finalist

Dr. Michele Wilson, Westview High School Principal, was honored for being named an Exemplary Principal semi-finalist by the Rodel Foundation of Arizona.

Public Participation

No requests to address the Governing Board.

Summary of Current Events

Superintendent – Dr. Cunningham

- Copper Canyon High School has been named a Copper Medal School by Beat the Odds. Dr. Cunningham extended her congratulations to Principal Mindy Marsit and her staff.
- February 23 is NASCAR day at La Joya Community High School. Principal Brandi Haskins and the LJCHS administrators are planning a great day. The District is fortunate to have NASCAR as a neighbor/partner.
- The Sierra Linda High School wrestling team took second place at the Agua Fria High School tournament in early February.
- One hundred twenty-four University High School sophomore students attended ASU Visitation Day. Students had an opportunity to tour and have lunch on the campus, meet admissions advisors, and learn about the opportunities that ASU offers.
- Westview High School's student government was successful at this year's Arizona State Student Council Convention, earning a gold level service award for charitable contributions and a gold level service award for service time. WHS STUGO was also named an outstanding council of distinction.
- Teachers at CEA and Lighthouse Academy are sending home six-week progress reports to the parents of all students as a means of conveying increased student achievement.
- Of 43 students from the greater Phoenix area, three Tolleson Union High School students were accepted into the STEP program for summer 2016 and the 2016-2017 school year. The Student Expedition Program works with first-generation college-bound students to help prepare for college.
- Human Resources staff is organizing a southwest valley job fair on March 9. Many of the feeder districts will join TUHSD for the event.
- Governor Ducey has proclaimed that February has been designated as Career and Technical Education month by Career and Technical Education of Arizona.

Governing Board

- Mr. Moreno mentioned that he has noticed an increase in the District's media presence (website, Twitter, Facebook).
- Mr. Del Palacio stated that he and Mr. Chapman had an opportunity to visit a couple of Westview High School classrooms.

- Ms. Madruga expressed her appreciation to all involved with the Strategic Planning Process on January 30 and mentioned the March 5 Community Forum.
- Mr. Chapman stated that the Arizona House had passed the CTE funding legislation, mentioned the Strategic Planning Process and the March 5 Community Forum, and recognized that February is CTE Month.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mr. Moreno moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Ms. Madruga. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/Action of Items(s) Previously Removed from the Consent Agenda

No items were removed.

CONSENT AGENDA * ITEMS

Human Resources *

A. Personnel Items

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES STAFF

Employment of Personnel Previously on Phased Retirement

Eubanks, Karyn Morse	DO	Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Governing Board
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CERTIFIED STAFF

Spring Coaches

Abel, Zeke	LJCHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Beachy, Nathan	LJCHS	Varsity Softball Coach
Deleon, Molly	LJCHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Lefebvre, Roger	LJCHS	Varsity Boys Tennis Coach
Schwyhart, William	LJCHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Sciacchitano, Andrew	LJCHS	Assistant Softball Coach
St. John, Patricia	LJCHS	Varsity Girls Tennis Coach
Violette, Gerard	LJCHS	Varsity Baseball Coach
West, Scott	LJCHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Axman, Reid	SLHS	Assistant Track Coach
Bihn, William	SLHS	Varsity Boys Tennis Coach
Bladinelli, John	SLHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Chinchilla, Christopher	SLHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Ciesielczyk, Jacob	SLHS	Varsity Baseball Coach
Deibert, Alysha	SLHS	Assistant Girls Tennis Coach
Emelander, Tanya	SLHS	Varsity Girls Track Coach
Figueroa, Breezy	SLHS	Varsity Girls Tennis Coach
Figueroa, Daniel	SLHS	Junior Varsity Softball Coach
Gordon, Samantha	SLHS	Athletic Trainer
Palange, Alfred	SLHS	Junior Varsity Baseball Coach
Ramirez, Amanda	SLHS	Varsity Boys Track Coach
Reeser, Steven	SLHS	Varsity Softball Coach

Spring Coaches (Continued)

Skousen, Elizabeth	SLHS	Freshman Softball Coach
Sovinski, Kaitlin	SLHS	Assistant Track Coach
Stout, Slate	SLHS	Weight Room Coordinator
Baker, James	TUHS	Assistant Track Coach
Carlton, Aaron	TUHS	Varsity Boys Tennis Coach
Carlton, Eduardo	TUHS	Assistant Track Coach
Castro, Ashlee	TUHS	Athletic Trainer
Fayson, Shirleeah	TUHS	Athletic Trainer
Fitzgerald, Erica	TUHS	Assistant Softball Coach
German, Diana	TUHS	Varsity Girls Tennis Coach
Gulick, Rosemary	TUHS	Varsity Girls Track Coach
Humble, Steven	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Hurley, Ashley	TUHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Lauer, Scott	TUHS	Assistant Track Coach
Medrano, Mark	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Pinkelman, Lexie	TUHS	Varsity Softball Coach
Richardson, Scott	TUHS	Varsity Baseball Coach
Riley, Patrick	TUHS	Varsity Boys Track Coach
Simons, Crystal	TUHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Thornton, James	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Wilke, Jason	TUHS	Weight Room Coordinator
Arenas, Steven	WHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Beadle, Dana	WHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Bower, Stephen	WHS	Assistant Tennis Coach
Carroll, John	WHS	Assistant Track Coach
Chaffee, William	WHS	Varsity Boys Track Coach
Degerman, Trevor	WHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Dourisseau, Devin	WHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Green, Courtney	WHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Hegewald, Perry	WHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Hysong, Anna Sue	WHS	Varsity Girls Track Coach
Irish, Robert	WHS	Varsity Baseball Coach
Kirby, Brian	WHS	Assistant Tennis Coach
Merklin, Sean	WHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Nicoloff, Sarah	WHS	Assistant Softball Coach
Parker, Joseph	WHS	Weight Room Coordinator
Rice, Trevor	WHS	Athletic Trainer
Soto, Steve	WHS	Assistant Track Coach
Valkingburg, Paul	WHS	Varsity Tennis Coach
Wonner, Larry	WHS	Varsity Softball Coach

Coaching Resignation

Parker, Joseph	WHS	Head Football Coach
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Resignations at End of 2015-2016 SY

Bush, Elizabeth	TUHS	English
Owen, Alicia	TUHS	English
Pappalardo, Carmen	WHS	Guidance

CLASSIFIED STAFF

Employment of Personnel

Mendiola-Hernandez, Jessie	CCHS	Clerical Support II – Receptionist
Otero, Victoria	CCHS	Clerical Support II – Attendance Clerk
Ramos, Flora	LJCHS	Cafeteria Cashier
Bryant, Erica	TUHS	Cafeteria Cashier

Spring Coaches

Brock, Michael	LJCHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Erickson, Cassandra	SLHS	Athletic Trainer
Del Toro, Jose	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Goodwin, Leon	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Herrera, Aaron	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Larranaga, Xavier	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach

Resignation

Parham, Zaqouya	CCHS	Instructional Aide II – Life Skills
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VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers

Lara, Johnny	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach
Viscaina, Marcus	TUHS	Assistant Baseball Coach

Financial Services *

A. Vouchers

Prior to ratification at the Governing Board meeting, Governing Board members reviewed vouchers. Vouchers represent orders for payment of material, equipment, salaries, and services.

- Payroll Vouchers – \$ 1,804,266.36
- Expense Vouchers – \$ 429,606.31

B. Donations

The following were received by the District.

- Barnes and Noble Booksellers donated \$1,800 in teen novels to all schools’ Media Centers.
- Target Field Trips/Scholarship America donated \$700 to Sierra Linda High School’s sophomore English class to assist with field trip expenses.

Teaching and Learning *

A. RFP #16-003-21, Textbook Adoption – AP Psychology

The Governing Board approved the Myers’ Psychology for AP textbook, a resource that will support and enrich the curriculum.

Superintendent’s Office *

A. Travel Requests

The following travel requests were approved.

- Copper Canyon High School coaches Andrew Lopez and Patricia Garritano; teachers Kristen Adrian, Charles Allman, Erin Connors, Grace Luetmer, and Vincent Herrera; and members of Spiritline will participate in the USA National High School Spirit Competition in Anaheim, CA on March 17-20, 2016.

- Sierra Linda High School teachers Antonio Lozano, Carlos Galletti, Christina Arviso, Andrew Enciso, Sonia Saenz, and Sushyla Perez; Yesmina Luchsinger, Prevention/Intervention Specialist; and performing arts and culinary students will participate in workshops at Cal State University, a Disney recording session, and a Disney Culinary experience during the Performing Arts and Culinary Arts California Tour in Anaheim, CA on April 28-May 1, 2016.
- Westview High School teachers Misty Wylie, Larry Wonner, and Justin Lamb; and students in the Anthropology Club will visit Native American archaeological sites in and around Chinle, AZ; Farmington, NM; and Cortez, CO on April 28-May 1, 2016.

B. Student Capacity – 2016-2017 School Year

Based on projected enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year, Copper Canyon High School, Tolleson Union High School/University High School, and Westview High School will be closed to open enrollment.

C. Minutes – January 26, 2016 Regular Meeting and January 30, 2016 Special Meeting

All Governing Board members were present.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Expect More Arizona

Ms. Donna Davis shared information on Expect More Arizona, a statewide advocacy organization working to build an education-first culture and create opportunities for student and educator support.

Mr. Chapman moved to authorize a partnership with Expect More Arizona; seconded by Ms. Madruga. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 4-0.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- February 23 – Applied Economics demographic study
- March 8 – Student Council report on state convention
- April 12 – Meet and confer presentation

FORMAL ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Mr. Del Palacio moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting; seconded by Ms. Madruga. Mr. Chapman called the Regular Meeting of the Tolleson Union High School District Governing Board adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Steven Chapman, Governing Board President