

MARICOPA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20

Meeting of the Governing Board

February 10, 2016

OPENING

Call to Order

President Coutré called a meeting of the Maricopa Unified School District No. 20 Governing Board to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the District Office Administration Building.

Roll call reflected the following members:

Ms. Patti Coutré, President
Mrs. AnnaMarie Knorr, Vice President
Mrs. Torri Anderson
Dr. Gary Miller
Mrs. Rhonda Melvin

Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Knorr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda

Mrs. Anderson motioned to approve the agenda. Dr. Miller seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Call to the Public

No one addressed the Board.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Chestnut reported on January 30th the Maricopa High School Band performed the National Anthem at Grand Canyon Universities basketball game. Dr. Chestnut attended a multihazard safety in schools training and planning session with MUSD Administration, Pinal County, Maricopa Police Department, and Maricopa Fire Department on February 2nd and 3rd. Dr. Chestnut mentioned the budget committee met on February 3rd where they are currently working on prioritizing the list of budget items.

Dr. Chestnut met with Representative Finchem on February 4th to discuss HB 2401. On February 9th the Maricopa High School girls basketball team defeated Queen Creek in the sectional tournament and the boys basketball team is playing against Blue Ridge on February 10th in their sectional tournament.

On February 10th, Dr. Chestnut attended an election seminar in regards rules and guidelines for the MUSD Override election on November 8th.

Dr. Chestnut announced on February 16th, CBS 12 News TV crew will be in Maricopa to tape a segment for the Arizona Midday show which will air on February 24th between 12:30-2:00 p.m. The crew will be

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filming in Santa Cruz Elementary School and their robotics team that qualified for the state tournament and will also be filming at Desert Wind Middle School in the Blended Learning classroom featuring the Future Cities projects and teams.

Governing Board Member Activity Reports

Earlier this week Mrs. Anderson did a walk-through at Butterfield Elementary School and is scheduled to do a walk-through at Santa Rosa Elementary School next week. Mrs. Anderson expressed how impressed she was with the project based projects being worked on at Butterfield Elementary School. Mrs. Anderson reminded everyone to get involved in the Legislative process by going to azsba.org and then click on the advocacy link to see all the education bills that is going up for vote along with a way to contact your Legislature.

Mrs. Melvin will be visiting Santa Cruz Elementary School and Pima Butte Elementary School on February 12th. Mrs. Melvin mentioned that this was an election year for upcoming open seats on the School Board and encouraged anyone interested to run for the positions.

Dr. Miller visited Santa Rosa Elementary School and was impressed with how the students were engaged with technology and how structured it was. Dr. Miller will be attending Santa Rosa's math and science presentation on February 23rd. Dr. Miller also participated in the recent Butterfield Elementary School's PTO meeting. Dr. Miller will be attending the Youth Town Hall on March 3rd and will be reading for Read Across America on March 2nd.

Mrs. Knorr visited Maricopa Wells Middle School and while there visited the Blended Learning classroom and a Spanish class. Mrs. Knorr was impressed and said they are doing great things in the middle school. Mrs. Knorr talked with Governing Ducey on February 8th when he gave the State of the State in Yuma, and they talked about Prop 123 and JTED funding.

Information Items/Work Study

Maricopa High School Academic Focus Update

Principal Renita Myers says Maricopa High School's (MHS) academic focus is that students will learn a comprehensive curriculum based on the arts, humanities, technology, math, and science with an emphasis on innovation, critical thinking, creativity, and problem solving in all subjects.

Vice Principal Krista Cox talked about the accomplishments that Maricopa High School had last school year which included providing dual enrollment in Math and English with Central Arizona College (CAC); the addition of Blended Learning in Math and English, and hydroponics and greenhouse. Additional accomplishments for the last school year were starting the sustainability project with Arizona State University, starting the Chief Science Officers Club, adding google classrooms, started a second year Engineering class, Shark Tank, MHS winning the CAC math competition, increased honors and advanced placement sections, and MHS winning various CTE Skills USA awards and recognition.

Principal Myers says the accomplishments that MHS has for this current school year include adding 10th grade Blended Learning, starting an MHS gifted forum, adding Vex Robotics to Engineering, a partnership with inmaricopa.com for graphic design, City of Maricopa Youth Internship Committee, added technology components, the addition of Automotive Technology, the College, Career and Technology class is now 100% technology based, the English & Language Arts department is using

turnitin.com, extended the participation for Shark Tank to elementary and middle schools, additional Fine Arts opportunities, and the addition of a secondary Math Coach.

Principal Myers and Vice Principal Cox talked about the obstacles that MHS faces are incomplete curriculum maps, inconsistent assessment/criteria/teacher made assessments, professional development needs.

Principal Myers says the progress and future plans of MHS include additional professional development, course additions, and a science and culinary joint garden sustainability project.

Mrs. Anderson questioned the status of the Health and Physical Education program where more classes were added to offer additional options other than just Physical Education (PE). Vice Principal Cox responded that with the elimination of Health, they were able to add more sections of PE. The PE teachers now dedicate one day a week in their class to teach Health units. Vice Principal Cox said the addition of options in PE includes strength and condition, advanced PE for freshman athletes, and advanced PE for all other athletes. Vice Principal Cox stressed that the PE teachers are maxed out and are over full in capacity and they would love to grow the program by adding more sections of PE.

2016-17 Compensation Plans for Classified Staff, Exceptional Student Services Related Service Providers and Health Services

Mr. Beckett presented the 2016-17 compensation plans for classified staff, exceptional student services related service providers, and health services which has transitioned away from the step system. Mr. Beckett said the only comment he has had is regarding the placement of the position on the staff levels and Mr. Beckett explained that would be a separate conversation as it would be a reclassification. Mrs. Anderson wanted to clarify that these compensation plans are for new staff members being hired. Mr. Beckett answered yes and all current staff will stay at their present rate and salary adjustments could be made if the District has funds. Dr. Miller questioned if the minimum-maximum amounts include benefits and Mr. Beckett answered no, those amounts are just the base salary. Mrs. Anderson questioned if the District is aggressively looking to hire psychologist rather than contracting them out as a measure in cost savings. Mr. Beckett answered yes. Dr. Miller questioned for the health care employees who require continuing education for their licenses if the District pays for that and Mr. Beckett answered no.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Anderson motioned to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Melvin seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

A. Approve Expense Vouchers.

- Voucher #1624 Ratify
- Voucher#1625 Ratify

B. Approve Donation

C. Approve the January 27, 2016 Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes and February 2, 2016 Special Governing Board Meeting Minutes

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- D. Approve the 2nd and final reading of Policy BB - School Board Legal Status
- E. Approve the 2nd and final reading of Policy BBA - Board Powers and Responsibilities
- F. Approve the 2nd and final reading of Policy BBAA - Board Member Authority and Responsibilities
- G. Approve the resolution opposing Legislative efforts repealing desegregation funding

CLOSING CONSENT AGENDA

The attached schedule lists Resignations, Reclassifications, Terminations, Non-Renewals, Stipends, New Position Requests, Employment/Ratifications, Stipends, Leave of Absence/FMLA Requests, and Other Administrative Actions. Board may approve to Adjourn to Executive Session Pursuant to: A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1), for discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, or dismissal of personnel. Dr. Miller motioned to approve the Resignations, Reclassifications, Terminations, Non-Renewals, Stipends, New Position Requests, Employment/Ratifications, Stipends, Leave of Absence/FMLA Requests, and Other Administrative. Mrs. Anderson seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Discussion and possible approval of Minor Revisions to the Approved 2016-17 School Year Calendar Mrs. Anderson motioned to approve the Minor Revisions to the Approved 2016-17 School Year Calendar. Dr. Miller seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Discussion and possible approval of the 2015-16 Governing Board Goals Mrs. Knorr motioned to approve the 2015-16 Governing Board Goals with the amendment of changing the title to say “2016 Governing Board Goals”. Dr. Miller seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Discussion and Possible approval the 1st reading of Policy BA - School Board Operational Goals Dr. Miller motioned to approve the 1st reading of Policy BA - School Board Operational Goals. Mrs. Melvin seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Discussion and Possible approval the 1st reading of Policy BAA - Evaluation of School Board/Board Self-Evaluation Dr. Miller motioned to approve the 1st reading of Policy BAA - Evaluation of School Board/Board Self-Evaluation. Mrs. Knorr seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Adjourn:

Mrs. Anderson motioned and Mrs. Melvin seconded to adjourn. Motion passed 5/0.

Time: 7:48 PM

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