

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES – January 24, 2024

A. Meeting Opening – 7:00 PM

Call to Order

Mr. Montero called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call

Board Members present: Armando Montero (President), Sarah James (Vice President), Amanda Steele, Andres Barraza, and Berdetta Hodge.

Adoption of the Agenda

On motion of Mr. Montero, seconded by Mr. Barraza and passed 5-0 (Mr. Montero: aye; Mrs. James: aye; Mrs. Steele: aye; Mr. Barraza: aye; Ms. Hodge: aye), the Governing Board approved the meeting agenda.

B. Executive Session

The Governing Board did not meet in Executive Session.

C. Reconvene

Welcome—Mr. Montero welcomed everyone.

Presentation of Colors/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence—TUHSD JROTC cadets, under the command of Major Robert Fore presented the colors. Mrs. James led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Land Acknowledgement—Mr. Montero read a statement acknowledging Tempe Union’s presence on the ancestral lands of the Akimel O’odham and Pee Posh Indigenous peoples.

D. Report from Acting Superintendent

D-1—Corona del Sol Competitive Government Team

- Dr. Wilson introduced the Corona del Sol Competitive Government team who won the State Championship at the *We the People* state competition earlier this month under the direction of teacher and former program alum, Ali Rund. As first-place winners, Corona del Sol will represent the state of Arizona at the *National We the People* competition in Washington, DC in April, also marking the 20th time Corona has been represented at the national finals since 1987.

D-2—Staff Recognition – Natasha Alston

- Dr. Wilson introduced Mrs. Natasha Alston, Mountain Pointe teacher, who has been selected as a Question Leader for the AP African American Studies Grading Conference this summer. Mrs. Alston will supervise the writing of criteria to determine quality responses on a nationwide exam. Additionally, Mrs. Alston will supervise the work of AP graders and table leaders as they analyze student responses this summer.

E. Public Comment

- Moneé Neville, parent, said she had been notified of the potential cancellation of the unique program at Innovation Center. Ms. Neville said this news was extremely disappointing and she hoped the district would consider alternatives.
- Eden Enger, sophomore student at Desert Vista, said the Innovation Center planted a seed in her. She said she never considered herself a stellar student but is proud to now say she’s an honors student. Ms. Enger said she has learned socialization, team work, and workplace skills attending the IC. Ms. Enger said that by closing the program the district would be stalling opportunities for students.
- Myra Merrill, junior student at Desert Vista, said the Innovation Center has helped her in many ways as a student whose had a hard time sitting in a traditional classroom. Ms. Merrill said the IC helped her manage her anxiety and allowed her to interact with many people and organizations such as The Phoenix Zoo and Intel.

- Jody Hernandez, parent, said that her son loves school, and like many parents, she has always dreaded when her son would turn 22 and his schooling would end and a huge part of his socialization would also end. Ms. Hernandez said instead of the district focusing on pushout they should be helping special need students ages 17-21. Ms. Hernandez asked for a grandfather policy for this particular group of students currently attending Success University.
- Pam Bartlett, parent, said she wanted the district to consider the implications of ending programs that setup students for a lifetime, especially students with special needs. Ms. Bartlett said she feels she is not being heard and wants a real conversation where all parties can work as a team. Ms. Bartlett also said she has concerns over the treatment of faculty at Success University, saying they deserve respect and open communication.
- Brenda Walsh, non-attorney SPED advocate, said she would offer her help to participate on a committee to review meaningful policies and procedures to maximize potential. Ms. Walsh spoke of the importance in preparing students with special need for education, employment, and independent living. Ms. Walsh said she'd like a committee formed to assist with this marginalized population.
- Jenniffer Jarvis, community member, thanked the governing board for adding Success University/TSW to the board agenda. Ms. Jarvis also thanked board members and SPED administrators for reaching out and for their conversations and emails. Ms. Jarvis said its nice to know things are in the works and said she looks forward to continuing the discussion.
- Isabella Parra Longoria, student, said she has always been an overachiever but she's learned more working among group members while attending the IC. Ms. Parra Longoria said the IC is important and allows students to follow their passions, and said sometimes there are disconnects between student and teachers in a traditional classroom setting.

F. Consent Agenda

Mr. Montero moved approval of Consent Agenda Items F-1 through F-6. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hodge and passed 5-0.

F-1— Minutes – Governing Board Meeting – January 10, 2024

The Governing Board approved the submitted January 10, 2024, Governing Board meeting minutes.

F-2—Ratification of \$2,901,909.05 Expense Vouchers

The Governing Board approved ratification of the submitted expense vouchers:

EXPENSE VOUCHERS:

Fiscal Year	Voucher #	Voucher Date	Amount
2023-2024	1231	1/4/2024	\$3,188.06
2023-2024	1234	1/4/2024	\$657,912.45
2023-2024	1235	1/4/2024	\$264,543.66
2023-2024	1236	1/4/2024	\$156.59
2023-2024	1245	1/11/2024	\$672,252.06
2023-2024	1246	1/11/2024	\$1,301,063.92
2023-2024	1247	1/11/2024	\$2,792.31
Summary			\$2,901,909.05

F-3—Request Approval of Personnel Actions

The Governing Board approved the following submitted personnel actions:

Last Name	First Name	Position	Site	Effective Date	Comments	Board Action
Kenney	Kate	Special Education Instructional Coach	Special Education	11/20/2023		New Hire

Jirrels	Kelsey	Assistant Coach Softball	CDS	2/5/2024		Rehire
MacDonald	Marcus	Event Worker	CDS	1/11/2024		New Hire
Moskal	Eric	Coach Freshman Baseball	CDS	2/5/2024		Rehire
Sharpe	Scott	Assistant Coach Track	CDS	2/5/2024		Rehire
Walker	Jeffrey	Safety and Security Officer	CDS	1/17/2024		New Hire
Becerra	Phillip	Assistant Coach Softball	DVH	2/5/2024		Rehire
Coquillard	Kenny	Coach Freshman Baseball	DVH	2/5/2024		Rehire
Donaldson	Steve	Assistant Coach Track	DVH	2/5/2024		New Hire
Gannon	Alexis	Assistant Coach Track	DVH	2/5/2024		Rehire
Hancock	Kyle	Assistant Coach Track	DVH	2/5/2024		New Hire
Hickel	Torrey	Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	DVH	11/28/2023		New Hire
Labinjo Jr	Edward	Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	DVH	11/28/2023		Rehire
Rivers	Michael	Auxiliary Coach Track	DVH	2/5/2024		Rehire
Battle	Adonis	Assistant Coach Track	MDN	2/5/2024		Rehire
Bolen	Timothy	Assistant Coach Track	MDN	2/5/2024		Rehire
Chavez	Jesus F	Assistant Coach Baseball	MDN	2/5/2024		Rehire
Hammond	Stephen	Head Coach Varsity Boys Volleyball	MDN	2/5/2024		Rehire
Montano	Joronda	Head Coach Boys and Girls Track	MDN	2/5/2024		Rehire

Rodriguez	Eric	Coach Freshman Baseball	MDN	2/5/2024		Rehire
Leket Mor	Shaul	Musical Director	MHS	1/22/2024		New Hire
Tillett	Terrence	Assistant Coach Track	MHS	2/5/2024		New Hire
Clark	Kassandra	Safety and Security Officer	MTP	1/19/2024		Rehire
Rodriguez Thompson	Myra C	Auxiliary Coach Pom/Dance	MTP	1/18/2024		New Hire
Anders	Gregory	Bus Driver Trainee	Transportation	1/10/2024		New Hire
Henika	Jonathan	Teacher Drivers Education/Health/Physical Education	MDN	7/14/2023	From Teacher Drivers Education/Health	Change
Crane	Brian	Head Coach Girls Track	CDS	2/5/2024	From Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	Change
Robin	Geminise	Coach Pom/Dance Spring	CDS	1/3/2024	Coach Pom/Dance Fall	Change
Sandvig	Carol	Head Coach Girls Tennis	CDS	2/5/2024	From Coach Freshman Girls Tennis	Change
Scott	Patrick	Head Coach Boys Track	CDS	2/5/2024	From Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	Change
Hickel	Torrey	Assistant Coach Track	DVH	2/5/2024	From Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	Change
Labinjo Jr	Edward	Assistant Coach Track	DVH	2/5/2024	From Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	Change
Shearer	Jessica	Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	DVH	11/14/2023	From Head Coach Girls Cross Country	Change
Sanchez	Michael	Coach Freshman Softball	MHS	2/5/2024	From Assistant Coach Football	Change
Zeiner	Deborah	Student Records Specialist	MHS	1/17/2024	From Attendance Student Data Specialist	Change

Singer	Eric	Event Worker	MTP	12/1/2023	From Coach Junior Varsity Girls Soccer	Change
Preslaski	Tracy	Human Resources Employment Specialist Lead	HR	1/2/2024	Equity Adjustment	Change
Blanco	BeBe	Teacher Social Studies	CDS	2/5/2024	Coach Junior Varsity Softball	Extra Duty
Castillo	Kellen	Teacher Math	CDS	1/3/2024	Esports Spring	Extra Duty
Duplessis	David T	Teacher Music Instrumental	CDS	1/3/2024	Band Director Spring	Extra Duty
Ettinger	Albert	Teacher Special Education	CDS	2/5/2024	Coach Freshman Softball	Extra Duty
Ettinger	Theresa J	Teacher CTE Early Childhood Education	CDS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Figuroa	Anthony L	Teacher Special Education	CDS	4/24/2023	Head Coach Varsity Football Spring	Extra Duty
Forbes	Benjamin A	Teacher CTE Film and Televis	CDS	1/3/2024	Student Council Spring	Extra Duty
Gould	Nicole	Teacher English	CDS	1/3/2024	Coach Junior Varsity Cheer/Spiritline Spring	Extra Duty
Heiser	Stephen D	Teacher CTE Software Development/Math	CDS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Horewitch	Geoffrey	Teacher Special Education	CDS	2/5/2024	Head Coach Varsity Boys Volleyball	Extra Duty
Mason	Scott D	Teacher CTE Sports Medicine	CDS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Maxfield	Benjamin	Teacher Spanish	CDS	2/5/2024	Head Coach Beach Volleyball	Extra Duty
Morgan	Steven	Teacher CTE Bioscience	CDS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Nava	Nicole	Teacher English	CDS	1/3/2024	Head Coach Varsity Cheer/Spiritline Spring	Extra Duty

Nieder Korn	Andrea	Teacher Math	CDS	2/5/2024	Assistant Coach Track	Extra Duty
Rosen	Rachel A	Teacher Drama/CTE Technical Theater	CDS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Salazar	Peter	Teacher Physical Education/Credit Recovery Elective	CDS	2/5/2024	Assistant Coach Track	Extra Duty
Thornton	Sean	Teacher Social Studies	CDS	2/5/2024	Head Coach Varsity Softball	Extra Duty
Vesely	Tanner	Teacher Physical Education	CDS	2/5/2024	Assistant Coach Baseball	Extra Duty
Webb	David	Teacher Social Studies	CDS	2/5/2024	Head Coach Varsity Baseball	Extra Duty
Wendell	Melissa S	Teacher CTE Engineering Sciences	CDS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Werner	Scott D	Teacher Music Instrumental	CDS	1/3/2024	Percussion Instructor Spring	Extra Duty
Williamson	Fawndena	Teacher CTE Culinary Arts	CDS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Clithero	Griffin	Teacher English	DVH	11/14/2023	Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	Extra Duty
Clithero	Griffin	Teacher English	DVH	2/5/2024	Auxiliary Coach Track	Extra Duty
Danskin	Lindsey D	Teacher CTE Law Public Safety and Security	DVH	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Elliott	Trent	Teacher Science	DVH	2/5/2024	Assistant Coach Track	Extra Duty
Forget	Stacey E	Teacher Science/CTE Sports Medicine	DVH	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Goe	Amanda	Teacher Physical Education	DVH	1/16/2024	Additional Health Class .2 FTE	Extra Duty
Hartsfield	Courtney	Teacher Social Studies	DVH	10/7/2023	Workshop Participant	Extra Duty
Hartsfield	Courtney	Teacher Social Studies	DVH	11/18/2023	Workshop Participant	Extra Duty
Kim	Marianne W	Teacher CTE Digital Communications/CTE Film and Television/CTE Graphics/Web Design	DVH	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Kraft	Cory	Teacher Math	DVH	2/5/2024	Assistant Coach Track	Extra Duty

Maestas	Lunden	Teacher CTE Business Operations/CTE Internship	DVH	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Montoya	Katrina	Teacher English	DVH	1/2/2024	Department Leader English	Extra Duty
Ploog Bacik	Jessica L	Teacher Drama/CTE Technical Theater	DVH	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Tyler	Tory	Teacher Physical Education/Health	DVH	11/28/2023	Camps/Clinics Instructor/Coach	Extra Duty
Varley	Marish K	Teacher CTE Marketing	DVH	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Williams	Jeremy D	Teacher CTE Bioscience	DVH	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Backwelder	Brian	Teacher Dropout Prevention Coordinator	MDN	2/5/2024	Head Coach Girls Tennis	Extra Duty
Carr	Christopher B	Teacher CTE Construction Technology	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Carr	Krista D	Teacher CTE Early Childhood Education	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Castanon	Heather E	Teacher CTE Marketing	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Courtney	Matthew	Teacher Special Education	MDN	2/5/2024	Head Coach Varsity Baseball	Extra Duty
Henika	Jonathan	Teacher Drivers Education/Health	MDN	2/5/2024	Assistant Coach Track	Extra Duty
Hines	Angela R	Teacher Drama/CTE Technical Theater	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Hines	Angela R	Teacher Drama/CTE Technical Theater	MDN	12/8/2023	Drama Director	Extra Duty
Holstead	Meredith C	Teacher CTE Culinary Arts	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Lukin	Michelle M	Teacher CTE Culinary Arts	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Miller	Taylor A	Teacher Science	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Montez	Debbie	School Counselor	MDN	7/19/2023	Test Administrator	Extra Duty
Muchmore	Kelly	Teacher Spanish/Dual Language Coordinator	MDN	2/5/2024	Coach Junior Varsity Boys	Extra Duty

					Volleyball	
Muir	Jeremy	Teacher Science	MDN	1/8/2024	Event Worker	Extra Duty
Pichardo	Mackenzie A	Safety and Security/Social Studies	MDN	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Popoca	Valentino	Teacher Social Studies	MDN	1/29/2024	Event Worker	Extra Duty
Ramirez	Claudia	School Counselor	MDN	7/19/2023	Test Administrator	Extra Duty
Ramsey	Kevin	Teacher Physical Education	MDN	1/15/2024	From Strength and Conditioning Specialist Spring	Extra Duty
Ramsey	Kevin	Teacher Physical Education	MDN	10/23/2023	From Strength and Conditioning Specialist Winter	Extra Duty
Ramsey	Kevin	Teacher Physical Education	MDN	7/17/2023	From Strength and Conditioning Specialist Fall	Extra Duty
Russo	Matthew	Teacher CTE Marketing/CTE Business Operations	MDN	2/5/2024	Head Coach Boys Tennis	Extra Duty
Smith	Erin	School Counselor	MDN	7/19/2024	Test Administrator	Extra Duty
Crane	Karen	Teacher CTE Film and Television/Literacy Specialist	MHS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Danskin	Brock G	Teacher CTE Law Public Safety and Security	MHS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Duarte	Angel	Teacher Science	MHS	1/3/2024	Esports Spring	Extra Duty
Gabere	Musa	Teacher Math	MHS	10/7/2023	Workshop Participant	Extra Duty
Hankinson	John	Teacher CTE Automotive Technology/CTE Construction Technology	MHS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Kieser	Kylee	Teacher Social Studies	MHS	1/22/2024	Event Worker at DVH	Extra Duty
Taylor	David J	Teacher CTE Marketing	MHS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Abley	Deborah R	Teacher CTE Culinary Arts	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty

Al Maleki	Fatima	Teacher English	MTP	2/5/2024	Head Coach Beach Volleyball	Extra Duty
Bonagofski	Kimberly D	Teacher Drama	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Bonagofski	Kimberly D	Teacher Drama	MTP	2/2/2024	Drama Director	Extra Duty
Campbell	Mark O	Teacher CTE Business Management/CTE Internship/Career Exploration	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Cano	Cecily D	Teacher CTE Digital Photography/Visual Arts	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Coro	Michelle A	Teacher CTE Graphics/Web Design/CTE Film and Television	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Guerinot	Virginie J	Teacher CTE Culinary Arts	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Reichert	Tamara S	Teacher CTE Business Management/CTE Accounting	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Rowitsch	Alaina E	Teacher Math	MTP	1/3/2024	Student Council Spring	Extra Duty
Smith	Deanna M	Teacher CTE Early Childhood Education	MTP	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Woode	John D	Teacher Music Instrumental	MTP	1/3/2024	Band Director Spring	Extra Duty
Bailey	Tori L	Teacher Academic Interventionist	THS	1/2/2024	Test Administrator	Extra Duty
Brown	Aryzona	Teacher CTE Culinary Arts	THS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Elkin	Justin R	Teacher CTE Film and Television/Graphics/Web Design	THS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Moravitz	Sarah C	Teacher Dropout Prevention Coordinator	THS	1/2/2024	Test Administrator	Extra Duty
Pachuta	Suzanne M	School Counselor	THS	1/2/2024	Test Administrator	Extra Duty
Struthers	Amber L	Teacher CTE Bioscience/CTE Software Development	THS	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Rodriguez	Rhianna	Teacher English	Innovation Center	7/19/2023	CTSO Advisor	Extra Duty
Eswonia	Emily	Attendance Student Data Specialist	CDS	2/5/2024	Coach Junior Varsity Boys	Extra Duty

					Volleyball	
Hernandez	Miguel	Administrative Assistant Athletics	CDS	2/5/2024	Auxiliary Coach Baseball	Extra Duty
Samuels	Alexis	Equipment Manager	CDS	1/15/2024	Event Worker	Extra Duty
Smith	Patrick	Safety and Security Officer	CDS	1/3/2024	Camps/Clinics Assistant Coach	Extra Duty
Smith	Patrick	Safety and Security Officer	CDS	2/5/2024	Assistant Coach Track	Extra Duty
Ofori	Axel	Behavior Intervention Specialist	DVH	2/5/2024	Auxiliary Coach Track	Extra Duty
Prosser	Dixie A	Guidance Assistant	DVH	11/10/2023	Rio Salado Liaison	Extra Duty
Aguilar	Damian	Equipment Manager	MDN	2/5/2024	Head Coach Varsity Softball	Extra Duty
Andrade	Lydia	Infant Care Supervisor	MDN	11/15/2023	Additional Responsibilities	Extra Duty
Ashley	TreVohn	Safety and Security Officer Roving	MDN	1/12/2024	Event Worker	Extra Duty
Carmody	Andrea	APPP Coordinator/Case Manager	MDN	11/15/2023	Additional Responsibilities	Extra Duty
King	Kristen	Infant Care Specialist	MDN	11/15/2023	Additional Responsibilities	Extra Duty
Molina	Valerie	Native American Education Coordinator	MDN	8/7/2023	Event Worker	Extra Duty
Ritenour Blanchard	Karianna	Infant Care Aide	MDN	11/15/2023	Additional Responsibilities	Extra Duty
Vital	Fernando	In School Intervention Specialist	MDN	2/5/2024	Head Coach Beach Volleyball	Extra Duty
Lopez	Christina	Paraprofessional HQ	MDN	1/29/2024	Event Worker at DVH	Extra Duty
Bueno	Joseleon A	Safety and Security Officer Lead	MTP	1/3/2024	Event Worker at MDN	Extra Duty
Portle	Sarah	COVID Administrative Support Nurse	MTP	1/3/2024	Coach Varsity Cheer/Spiritline Spring	Extra Duty

Belkis	Jon	Teacher Special Education	MDN	2/21/2024	Policy GCCC - FMLA	Leave of Absence
Smith	Matthew	Teacher Dean of Students	THS	1/2/2024	Policy GCCC - Non FMLA	Leave of Absence
Zumph	John	Executive Director Technology Infrastructure	IT	1/5/2024	Policy GCCC - FMLA	Leave of Absence
Melgar	Kayla	Administrative Assistant Athletics	MDN	2/26/2024	Policy GCCC - FMLA	Leave of Absence
Tongauiha	Nikolasi	Safety and Security Officer	MDN	11/27/2023	Policy GCCC - FMLA	Leave of Absence
Perkins	Richard	Groundskeeper	MHS Plt Ops	1/2/2024	Policy GCCC - FMLA	Leave of Absence
Kelly	Brandy	Paraprofessional	MTP	1/2/2024	Policy GCCC - Non FMLA	Leave of Absence
Dorland	Kendal	Instructional Technology Trainer	Teaching and Learning	5/17/2024	Policy GCCC - FMLA	Leave of Absence
Rodriguez	Sandra	Transportation Supervisor	Transportation	1/2/2024	Policy GCCC - FMLA	Leave of Absence
Bardin	Jason	Teacher English	CDS	5/24/2024		Resignation
Peters	Dean	Teacher Social Studies	CDS	5/24/2024		Retirement
Bruner	Lara	Teacher Social Studies	DVH	8/1/2024		Retirement
Clithero	Griffin	Teacher English	DVH	5/24/2024		Resignation
Upton	Donna	Teacher Math	DVH	5/24/2024		Resignation
Montez	Debbie	School Counselor	MDN	5/30/2024		Retirement
Edenburgs	LaTanya	Teacher Health/English	MHS	1/22/2024		Resignation
Moran	Keegan	Teacher English	MHS	5/24/2024		Resignation
Rosales	Kayria	Teacher Science	MHS	5/24/2024		Resignation
Adam	Logan	Teacher Social Studies	MTP	5/24/2024		Resignation
Blackmon	Marisol	Teacher Academic Interventionist	MTP	5/24/2024		Resignation

Burnett	Aaron	School Counselor	THS	5/30/2024		Resignation
Adler	Marjorie	CTE Support Technician	MDN	5/24/2024		Retirement
Norman	Larnel D	JROTC Officer	MDN	5/30/2024		Resignation
Wozniak	Kathleen	Library Media Technician	MDN	5/24/2024		Retirement
Thomas	Lindsay	Food and Nutrition Worker	Food and Nutrition	1/19/2024		Termination

F-4—Gifts and Donations

The Governing Board approved the following submitted gift and donation items:

- \$2,500.00 to MDN from Christopher and Karen Boyles
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- \$2,000.00 to CDS from Pump Up the Spirit Booster Club
- \$1,000.00 to DVH from Thunderbirds Foundation
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- \$500.00 to MTP from Madera Enterprises, LLC
- \$334.53 to MHS from The Kroger Co.
- \$311.37 to MHS from The Kroger Co.
- \$250.00 to MTP from Drs of Smiles
- \$20.00 to DVH from Markus Allen
- \$20.00 to DVH from Tricia Rothery
- \$6.47 to MHS from The Kroger Co.
- Spectrum Industries to THS – Equipment for Esports Program and team est. value \$1,475.00
- Phoenix Astronomical Society to Innovation Center – (8) telescopes, mounts, and eye pieces est. value \$300.00

F-5—Approval of Contract for Participation in 2024 SoCal Honor Bowl Football Game in San Diego, CA

The Governing Board approved the football contract for Mountain Pointe High School’s participation in the 2024 Honor Bowl in San Diego, CA on September 6, 2024.

F-6—2024 TUHSD Hearing Officers

The Governing Board approved the following list of hearing officers for the 2024 calendar year:

- Ms. Prudence Lee
- Ms. Susie Cannata
- Ms. Jessica Sanchez

G. Teaching & Learning

G-1—Academic Performance and Attendance

- Dr. Aleksic spoke on the assessment system and said teacher cadres create assessments with a high reliability score of 0.75 or higher.
- Reviewing grade distribution across grade level, Dr. Aleksic presented the following information:
 - Blue data signifies percentage of A and B grades, green data signifies C and D letter grades, and red data signifies percentage of failure.
 - Seniors have the lowest percentage of failing grades, while sophomores have the lowest percentage of A and B letter grades. Dr. Aleksic said that this information aligns with what

Mr. McDonald presented at the last board meeting where data shows sophomores are the cohort group that struggles most with discipline and performance.

- Looking at gender, Dr. Aleksic said females have a higher percentage of A's and B's. In reviewing ethnicity, Black/African American and American Indian/Native/Pacific Islander have a higher failing grade percentage than other subgroups, and students eligible for Free and Reduce Lunch and English Language Learners (ELL) have a significantly higher fail percentage. Dr. Aleksic said the ELL data makes sense since they are trying to learn a new language.
- SPED students have a higher percentage fail rate than regular ed students. The majority of SPED students are within the C and D letter grade category.
- Dr. Aleksic reviewed the data dashboard and said principals, department leads, and PLC leads can view data by school, number of students who are proficient/failing, by teacher, by grade at any time.
- Dr. Aleksic reviewed attendance percentages for 2024 (semester one) and every school has a 90% or higher.
- When reviewing absences by grade level, sophomores had the highest percentage of absences, while seniors had the highest attendance rate.
- Mrs. James asked Dr. Aleksic if the data could be teased out per content area for science, math, and ELA since they relate to board goals; Dr. Aleksic said yes.
- Mr. Barraza asked Dr. Aleksic if she could explain how reliability is measured. Dr. Aleksic said reliability is measured collectively as a district by seeing if an item correlates with other areas on the exam, and that the exams are multiple choice. Mr. Barraza asked a follow-up question about grading curves for questions that do not perform well. Dr. Aleksic said yes, the cadres do item analysis for low discriminators and distractors.
- Mrs. Steele asked if the data for SPED students could be disaggregated showing data for modified, alternate, and assessments with general ed peers. Dr. Aleksic said yes, they are working on it but hit a snag with Synergy but will pull the requested information as soon as the problem is resolved.
- Mrs. Steele asked if principals have shared methods on how they are confronting absenteeism. Dr. Aleksic said the schools look better at this point than last year and those conversations are taking place.
- Ms. Hodge asked if the district is working with feeder schools and sharing assessment information to try and get ahead of anticipated areas of concern. Dr. Aleksic said yes, there are some organized meetings coming up and district staff from the feeder schools had participated in the design of an Algebra 1 exam.
- Mr. Montero said he agreed with Mrs. Steele's request for disaggregated data and asked if it could be included in a future board brief, to which Dr. Aleksic agreed.
- Mr. Montero said he was surprised with the Algebra II proficiency levels given there isn't a lot of deviation, especially at McClintock High School who had an 84% proficiency rate. Mr. Montero said he'd like to know what their strategies are and that this is a celebration for the district. Dr. Aleksic said that this was a new test and that the cadre had set a high proficiency rate of 65%.

H. Business Services

H-1—Approval to Increase Multiple Cooperative Contracts for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Originating Department	Contract Entity	Contract Number	Vendor(s)	Current Approved Amount	Date Approved	Proposed Amount
IT Services	Mohave	22A-TYL-0526	Tyler Technologies	\$225,000.00	June 21, 2023	\$275,000.00
Plant Operations	1GPA	22-14PV-05	Pueblo Mechanical	\$227,000.00	N/A	\$350,000.00
Plant Operations	NCPA/OMNIA	02-124	Chiller Services Group	\$250,000.00	June 21, 2023	\$600,000.00

Plant Operations	Mohave	21P-WING-0415	Clearwing Productions Arizona	\$2,528,889.88	November 1, 2023	\$2,700,000.00
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Ms. Hodge moved approval to increase multiple cooperative contracts for fiscal year 2023-2024. The motion was seconded by Mrs. James and passed 5-0 (Mr. Montero: aye; Mrs. James: aye; Mrs. Steele: aye; Mr. Barraza: aye; Ms. Hodge: aye).

H-2—Approval to Increase Running Track Resurfacing Contract

- Mr. Barraza thanked Mr. McDonald and his team for overseeing multiple construction and bond-related projects.
- Mr. Montero asked why there was such a big increase to the project cost. Mr. Carranza said that there are bond contingency funds available for when projects require additional resources, including when the scope of work was more intense than originally expected.

Mr. Barraza moved approval to increase TUHSD contract #23-026DR-28IFB to Beynon Sports for the resurfacing of the running tracks from \$2,864,696.00 to \$4,438,912.00. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Steele and passed 5-0 (Mr. Montero: aye; Mrs. James: aye; Mrs. Steele: aye; Mr. Barraza: aye; Ms. Hodge: aye).

H-3—Approval of the Reciprocal Parking License Agreement between Arizona Community Church and TUHSD on behalf of Corona del Sol High School

Ms. Hodge moved approval of the reciprocal parking license agreement between Arizona Community Church and TUHSD on behalf of Corona del Sol High School through June 30, 2028.

I. Information Items

I-1—Success University/TSW Update

- Mr. Montero read a statement addressing the community on the board’s behalf. Mr. Montero said that the board often fields questions, concerns, and comments on a variety of topics, but their role as board members limits their ability to comment directly from the dais, although they are listening. Mr. Montero referred to Policy BBA – *Governing Board Powers and Responsibilities*, and said the role of board members is not to direct operational decisions. Mr. Montero said the board is receiving regular updates from Dr. Wilson and that there is a lot of behind the scenes work being done.
- Dr. Wilson read a six-bullet statement regarding the Success University transition:
 1. All special education staff is receiving additional training.
 2. TSW program staff is reviewing current courses. A preliminary draft of the chart was referenced in the December 2023 parent presentation.
 3. The SPED webpage has been updated with a list of transition resources.
 4. All SPED staff is receiving training on the overview, purpose, courses, and prerequisites of the TSW program so that all case managers can speak to the availability and components of the program.
 5. SPED administration is finalizing a survey focusing on the Success University transition to be sent to all parents of students with disabilities. The survey will be sent out by the end of February.
 6. A committee is being assembled with participation from multiple stakeholders.

I-2—Financial Reports through January 18, 2024

No questions/comments.

I-3—Requests for Future Agenda Items

None.

J. Communications

J-1—From Governing Board Members

- Mr. Barraza thanked Ms. Hodge for reading on his behalf to the AzTykes at Corona del Sol since he was ill. Mr. Barraza also thanked Dr. Wilson for the conversations, and Mr. McDonald for the updates and conversations on security and construction projects.

- Ms. Hodge said she enjoyed reading to the AzTykes and thanked Dr. Wilson and Mr. McDonald for attending a meeting with the City of Tempe on community safety. Ms. Hodge invited the public to attend a forum on gun violence on January 25th at Tempe City Council at 4pm.
- Mrs. Steele said she wanted to thank the district and Dr. Wilson and Ms. Hilgers for their investigating and time spent on current issues.
- Mrs. James read the gifts and donations.
- Mr. Montero said its been a very busy few weeks and echoed fellow board members in thanking all for their hard work.

J-2—From Acting Superintendent and Executive Team

None.

K. Meeting Closing

Next Regular Meeting – February 7, 2024.

Adjournment – On motion of Mr. Montero, seconded by Ms. Hodge and passed 5-0 (Mr. Montero: aye; Mrs. James: aye; Mrs. Steele: aye; Mr. Barraza: aye; Ms. Hodge: aye), the meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM.

Armando Montero, President

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Sarah James, Vice President