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Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board

Office of the Board  
Maricopa County, Arizona  
August 23, 2023  
7:00 p.m.

**1. Executive Session - 6:00 pm**

1.01 Legal Advice

Executive Session Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03.A.3 – The Governing Board may vote to convene an executive session at any time during the Board meeting for discussion or consultation for legal advise with the Governing Board’s attorney concerning personnel procedures and other legal issues related to the possible dismissal of a teacher. The attorney may appear in person, virtually, or telephonically.

**Motion by Kurt D Rohrs, second by Barb R Mozdzen.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

1.02 Adjourn from Executive Session

Adjourn from Executive Session

**Motion to Adjourn from Executive Session.**

**Motion by Kurt D Rohrs, second by Barb R Mozdzen.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

**2. Opening Items - 7:00 pm**

2.01 Roll Call

Jason Olive, Board President; Barb Mozdzen, Board Vice President; Joel Wirth, Kurt Rohrs, and Patti Serrano, Board Members, were present.

Frank Narducci, Superintendent; Lana Berry, Chief Financial Officer,; Dr. Craig Gilbert, Associate Superintendent of PK-12 Educational Services; Dr. Wendy Nance, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources and Community Services; Colleen Flannery, Chief Technology Officer; Dr. Jennifer Fletcher, Executive Director of Assessment, Accountability, and Research; Dr. Jessica Edgar, Executive Director for PK-12 Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Kym Marshall, Executive Director of Student Personalized Learning; Dan Serrano, Executive Director of High Schools; Heather Anguiano, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, East Region; Dr. Jeff Filloon, Executive Director of Human Resources; Ken James, Executive Director of Junior High Schools; Leo Schlueter, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, West Region; Stephanie Ingersoll, Executive Director of Marketing and Communication; and Tom Dunn, Executive Director Support Services; were present.

2.02 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

### 3. Routine Business

- 3.01 Approve the Minutes of the July 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting  
**Motion to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2023 Regular Board Meeting as presented.**

**Motion by Barb R. Mozdzen, second by Patti M. Serrano.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H. Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

- 3.02 Approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers  
Payroll for 2022-2023 Year:

**Request approval and ratification of the following Payroll and Accounts Payable voucher:**

**Payroll for 2023-2024 Year:**

Voucher 1006 Payroll 08/10/2023

Voucher 1008 Payroll 08/10/2023

Voucher 1010 Payroll 08/10/2023

Voucher 1011 Payroll 08/11/2023

**Accounts Payable for 2022-2023 Year:**

Vouchers 4310-4314 08/02/2023 Check# 1800056390-1800056429

Voucher 4315 08/03/2023 Check# 1800056603-1800056605

Vouchers 4316-4319 08/09/2023 Check# 1800056629-1800056649

Voucher 4320 08/10/2023 Check# 1800056807-1800056813

**Accounts Payable for 2023-2024 Year:**

Vouchers 5015-5020 08/03/2023 Check# 1800056430-1800056599, 1800056602

Vouchers 5021-5025 08/10/2023 Check# 1800056650-1800056795

**Move to approve and Ratify Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers**

**Motion by Joel H. Wirth, second by Barb R Mozdzen.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H. Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

- 3.03 Correspondence  
No correspondence presented.

### 4. Report / Information

- 4.01 Superintendent Current Events

President Olive. Board members. I have a quick current event report for you this evening followed by an in-person recognition.

Next Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. we will be hosting a ribbon cutting for the HOPE Institute of CUSD. The HOPE Institute is a critical component of our effort to raise awareness for youth mental health. The facility is on the property of Perry High School but will be for all CUSD students. The HOPE institute will be staffed by certified clinicians trained in helping reduce suicidal risk.

The HOPE Institute is based in Ohio, but our facility will be the very first partnership with a school district and may serve as a model for other districts across the country.

The ribbon cutting is open to the public, so we encourage you to attend.

We need Kids Express workers. This job is perfect for college students. They can work part-time and still get great benefits because they are working for a school district. This is a perfect development opportunity for individuals who may be interested in teacher certification and/or part time college students! If you know someone who might be interested in joining our Community Education team, please encourage them to apply. All the information is on our website.

## 4. Report / Information

### 4.01 Superintendent Current Events (cont'd)

We have had some active media coverage lately.

- Basha Biology teacher Miranda Thornton was recognized by channels 3/5 for being named the Arizona Biology Teacher of the Year.
- Fox 10 previewed the senior clash wars which was basically field day for all CUSD seniors. The event was filled with school and district spirit as our seniors competed against one another and even had some fun using a projection device to hurl water balloons at school and district administrators.
- And ABC15 covered a heartwarming story out of CTA Freedom. Students wrote well wishes to the residents of Maui impacted by the recent wildfires.

Congratulations to Mrs. Lana Berry and our Business Office team as we received notification from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Chandler Unified School District No. 80 for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

Finally, I would like to invite up to the front Amber Rogers, Catering Sales Manager and Eleanor Chavez, Catering Manager for CUSD Food and Nutrition.

Last week, these two exhibited the "And Then Some" that positively impacts our students. They helped a young CUSD student in danger. The young student was walking along in the middle of a very busy roadway by one of our schools. Amber and Eleanor were driving near the school. Eleanor stopped the van and blocked traffic briefly so that Amber could get the student to safety. Amber and Eleanor, this evening we would like to recognize you with these certificates. Your actions are what I like to call the "...and then some" factor. You were doing your job and then some that day and because of that you assisted in the safety of our student until the school and authorities could assist. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our Chandler Unified family!

## 5. Comments

### 5.01 Citizen Comments

*Natalie Cordova* - Saxon Math vs. My Math: The CUSD website indicates that students will be instructed Spalding and Saxton. This is not accurate. Students are now using My Math. My math is ineffective. Math is one subject, children are being made feel like there is a gray area. Fundamentals should. Find a way to bring Saxon Math back to CTA programs. Provided parent concerns.

*Diane Lundahl* - CEA Thank You: Very grateful for approving 3% stipend. Happy that Board chose to use the funding on employees. Consider voting on revising PTO to allow PTO before and after school holidays. Please reconsider student nickname pronoun bill/policy. Students are still unable to use nicknames. These actions will result in an even better district.

## 6. Consent Agenda

### 6.01 Out of State Student Travel PrePlanning

Out of state field trip pre-planning forms for ACP HS, BHS, CCHS, CHS, HHS and PHS are provided. Following Governing Board pre-approval, the Superintendent (designee) will monitor trip arrangements before providing final approval. The Governing Board will receive a summary of final travel arrangements quarterly.

### 6.02 Monetary Gifts

Requested approval of the monetary gifts generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$13,701.63.

### 6.03 Donations

Requested approval of items generously donated to Chandler Schools totaling \$39,758.94.

## 6. Consent Agenda (Cont'd)

### 6.04 Grades 9 through 12 Marine Biology

There is a demand for a comprehensive instructional resource for the new high school science course, Marine Biology. The text has been vetted by teachers, department chairs, and academic coaches. The committee is recommending the following resource:

Castro, P. and Hubler, M. (2019). Marine Science 2nd Ed. McGraw Hill.

The cost is \$12,375.72, including estimated tax, shipping, and processing. This includes 40 student edition textbooks, a 6-year subscription to the online student edition for 80 students, and a 6-year subscription to the online teacher's edition. Online subscriptions include access to the eBook, SmartBook adaptive eBook, Teacher Manual, PowerPoint presentations, assignable resources, Gradebook, and Pacing Guide.

In accordance with A.R.S. 15-721 and CUSD Policy IJJ, the textbook was placed on display for the 60-day review period for comment at the Melinda Romero Instructional Resource Center starting June 15, 2023. Digital access to the material was also available for viewing. There were no comments.

### 6.05 Cisco Networking Academy Curriculum Adoption - Introduction to Linux I and II

The Cisco Networking Academy will provide curriculum resources for the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Network Security program. As a member of the Cisco Networking Academy, CUSD has access to the Introduction to Linux I and II courses provided by Network Development Group (NDG). NDG Introduction to Linux I and II courses will be used specifically for the CYB300 Linux OS and Advanced Linux course.

The cost is \$29.95 per student per semester, an estimated total of \$1,796.00 plus taxes for SY23-24 for 30 students. Total cost will depend on final enrollment of the CYB300 course.

Per A.R.S 15-721 and CUSD Policy IJJ, the curriculum was on display in the main lobby of the CUSD Instructional Resource Center (IRC) for sixty (60) days beginning June 15, 2023. There were no comments.

Recommended Approval.

### 6.06 1GPA Contract 23-16PV-14 Furniture Products and Services

The Governing Board approved 1GPA contract 19-02PV-10 for Furniture Products and Services awarded to School Source AZ with estimated expenditures of \$2,000,000.00 on June 28, 2023. 1GPA has awarded a new solicitation for Furniture Products and Services. The District is requesting Governing Board approval to utilize the new contract 23-16PV-14 awarded to School Source AZ in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

### 6.07 Participation Agreement with Public Consulting Group for Medicaid Services

The CUSD Medicaid program has generated approximately \$2.3 million annually over the last three years. The District must utilize a Third Party Administrator (TPA) to process claims and issues reimbursements. Public Consulting Group (PCG) will continue in FY24 as the (TPA) for the Arizona State Medicaid Agency (AHCCCS) Medicaid School-Based Claiming program. AHCCCS has total authority in awarding this contract; therefore, PCG is the sole source vendor. There is no other option. The term of this agreement shall be effective on and after August 23rd, 2023.

The TPA's fees for administering this program are calculated based upon the procedure codes billed by providers and the corresponding units. • Fees are deducted from the reimbursement before being disbursed to the school district. Direct Service Claiming (DSC) reimbursements are disbursed during the current fiscal year. Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) reimbursements are disbursed the following fiscal year. Current fees paid to the TPA are \$.33 per unit for the DSC portion and 19.5% quarterly for the

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- 6.07 Participation Agreement with Public Consulting Group for Medicaid Services (cont'd)  
MAC portion. Chandler Unified has paid approximately \$125,000 to PCG in year-to-date fees for the DSC portion for FY23. In addition, Chandler Unified has paid PCG \$43,684.68 in fees for the MAC portion from July 2021 through June 2022. The fee schedule for FY24 will be \$.66 per unit for the DSC portion and 19% quarterly for the MAC portion. Assuming an estimated 15% increase to our DSC revenues, an estimate of the DSC fees for FY24 is \$145,000.00. An estimate of the MAC fees for FY23 is \$50,000.00.

Recommend participation with Public Consulting Group as the third party administrator for the Arizona State Medicaid Agency (AHCCCS) Medicaid School-Based Claiming program in FY24. An estimate of annual Direct Service Claiming fees to be paid to Public Consulting Group for FY24 is \$145,000.00 and \$50,000.00 in Medicaid Administrative Claiming fees for FY23.

Units are either event or time driven. For example, a speech therapy session is billed by event. An event is equal to one unit. Occupational therapy individual sessions are billed based upon time. Fifteen minutes of therapy is equal to one unit, 30 minutes is equal to two units.

- 6.08 Curriculum Policy Revisions  
Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) has recommended changes to the following policies:

Policy IGA - Curriculum Development

Policy IGD - Curriculum Adoption

Policy IJJ - Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption

Textbook review and selection committees are subject to open meeting law. A.R.S. 15-721(F)(2) and 15-722 (B)(2).

ASBA policy services recognizes that there are some groups of district professionals meeting to discuss curriculum and therefore would not be subject to open meeting law.

Chandler School District recommends adopting the policies as proposed by ASBA. These changes were presented as Information at the August 9, 2023 meeting. Requested approval.

- 6.09 Human Resources Policy Revision  
Policy GCCA was previously approved at the June 28, 2023 Board meeting. Policy has been revised to allow Paid Time Off preceding or following a school holiday with Supervisor approval.

Chandler School District recommends adopting the policies as proposed. These changes were presented as information at the August 9, 2023 board meeting. Requested approval.

- 6.10 Human Resources  
Employment, Separation, and Compensation.

**Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Joel H Wirth.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

## 7. Action Items

- 7.01 Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona Career and Technical (CTE) Curriculum Consortium for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Arizona CTE Curriculum Consortium Intergovernmental Agreement for CTE teacher resources, instructional materials and professional development. The Board approved the initial Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) in June 2013. The IGA was renewed and signed by both CUSD and PIMA JTED in November 2016 and again in August 2020.

The cost to CUSD associated with program membership, maintenance, ongoing development, and

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- 7.01 Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona Career and Technical (CTE) Curriculum Consortium for the 2023-2024 School Year (cont'd)  
necessary revisions is projected not to exceed \$20,022.50. Career and Technical Education funding will be utilized to fund CUSD's participation.

Requested Approval of the IGA between CUSD and PIMA JTED. The cost to CUSD associated with program membership, maintenance, ongoing development, and necessary revisions is projected not to exceed \$20,022.50. Career and Technical Education funding will be utilized to fund CUSD's participation.

**Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Patti M Serrano.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

- 7.02 Approval of the School Facilities Board 2024 Capital Plan  
Chandler Unified School District's FY2024 Capital Plan will be submitted to the Arizona School Facilities Board (SFB). This is the draft capital plan and may be revised at a later date.

Requested approval of Chandler Unified School District's 2024 Capital Plan.

Discussion: Barb Mozdzen informed the Board that this item had been previously approved. This was just an update that the District's F2024 Capital Plan would be submitted to the Arizona School Facilities Board as this is a requirement.

**Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Patti M Serrano.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

- 7.03 2023-2024 Journey 2025 Board Achievement Goals  
Request approval of the below modifications to the 2023-2024 Journey 2025 Board Achievement Goals:

Change in Metrics:

Change 4b Service-Learning Hours rubric to an improvement calculation since we only have one year of data and do not know how service-learning hours will be affected this year.

Change 5b Chronic Absences rubric to an improvement calculation since we have two years of inconsistent data.

Modification of 6b 9th grade students attaining 5.5 credits during their first year of enrollment in high school to be a prior year calculation so that summer school records are included. No change to the rubric is being requested.

All other Board Achievement benchmarks will remain the same as prior years to ensure Chandler Unified School District continues to strive to reach our goals. Recommend approval of the 2023-2024 Journey 2025 Board Achievement goals as presented.

Requested approval of the 2023-2024 Journey 2025 Board Achievement Goals as presented.

**Motion by Patti M Serrano, second by Barb R Mozdzen.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

## 7. Action Items (cont'd)

- 7.04 Action Relating to Possible Dismissal of Teacher Simon Ocampo  
Notice of Intent to Dismiss • • • Presentation of Statement of Charges by Administration and Board action on issuance of Notice of Intent to Dismiss Teacher Simon Ocampo.

I move to adopt the Statement of Charges.

**Motion by Kurt D Rohrs, second by Barb R Mozdzen.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

I move that if a hearing officer is not selected by mutual agreement of the parties, that the Governing Board designate Susie Cannata, Esq. to be the hearing officer in this matter. If Ms. Cannata is unavailable, the Governing Board designates John Richardson, Esq. as the hearing officer.

**Motion by Barb R Mozdzen, second by Kurt D Rohrs.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Carries**

**Aye: Jason R Olive, Barb R Mozdzen, Joel H Wirth, Kurt D Rohrs, Patti M Serrano**

## 8. Information Items

- 8.01 Certificates of Excellence in Financial Reporting  
The Association of School Business Officials International (ASBOI) and the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) have awarded Chandler Unified School District with the prestigious Certificates of Excellence in Financial Reporting for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year end 2022.

Barb Mozdzen congratulated Ms. Berry and her team on the accomplishment.

- 8.02 CUSD Board Agenda Roadmap

- 8.03 Board Member Current Events

*Patti Serrano* - East Valley Favorites 2023 is underway - public nominations for favorite east valley public school district. Voting closes August 31st. [yourvalley.net/evf](http://yourvalley.net/evf). Winner announced Feb. 1st. Please support our school district. September is around the corner, it is Hispanic Heritage month. City of Chandler-Chandler Contigo activities. The city will offer family cultural and educational events that honor and celebrate National Hispanic Heritage month. More information can be found at the City of Chandler D&I website.

*Kurt Rohrs* - San Marcos visit saw playground equipment. Although the equipment was nice, felt the cost of \$480,000 for the equipment an awful lot of money spent on the equipment. Wanted to bring this to the public's attention.

*Barb Mozdzen* - Shout out CEF Golf Tournament taking place on September 9, 2023. Tournament fundraising will go toward scholarships opportunities for students. The Cash for Classroom drive is wrapping up, these funds will go toward grants for classroom teachers. Please donate or volunteer for either of these projects. Please visit the Chandler Education Foundation website.

*Jason Olive* - Ms. Serrano didn't mention that she is taking care of cleaning up Chandler - besides being a board member she also volunteers stuff and making Chandler nicer. Thank you! Government Finance Officer Assoc. certificate that was awarded to CUSD is really neat, it means that we have really super governance in our financial management, we are super proud of you guys for getting that. Anybody that makes accusations about Chandler hiding money or pretending they don't have any money, or anything like get really need to get a life, GO read the news release from the government financial officer association because this spells out how responsible and how outstanding the financial management of this district is.

**9. Adjournment**

9.01 Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

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Board President