

OSBORN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
Governing Board Regular Meeting
June 20, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Osborn School District Governing Board was called to order at 5:30 PM by Board President Hermes.

Present:

Edward Hermes, Board President
Luis Peralta, Board Clerk -absent
Ylenia Aguilar, Board Member
Violeta Ramos, Board Member
Leanne Greenberg, Board Member
Dr. Michael Robert, Superintendent

Pledge of Allegiance

President Hermes led the pledge.

Consent Agenda – Approval of Items Since May Meeting

- A. Ratification of Accounts Payable Vouchers
- B. Ratification of Payroll Vouchers
- C. Board Minutes
 - 1. May 24, 2023 Special Meeting
 - 2. May 16, 2023 Regular Meeting
 - 3. June 1, 2023 Special Meeting
- D. Approval of Personnel Items
 - 1. New Employees
 - 2. Extra Duty Contracts
 - 3. Employment Changes/Additions
 - 4. Resignations
 - 5. Terminations
 - 6. Retirements
 - 7. Leaves of Absence
- E. Donations
- F. Expenditure and Revenue Report
- G. Student Activities Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
- H. Disposal
- I. Approval of Maricopa County Payroll Services
- J. Authorization to Issue Request for Proposals (RFP's), Bids and Request for Qualifications (RFQ's) for 2023/24.
- K. Resolution to Ratify Vouchers
- L. Renewal of BIDs, RFPs, RFQs
- M. Sole Source Listing FY24

Mrs. Ramos motioned to approve. Ms. Aguilar seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

Call to the Public

Community member John Cahal questioned the measurement used to measure students' progress. Dr. Robert said he would follow up with Mr. Cahal due to not being permitted to

respond during the meeting. Thanking Dr. Robert, Mr. Cahal said he has been encouraged to run for a seat on the Board and wants to become informed about district happenings.

Admin Reports

Mrs. Ramos commented that she is pleased to see the work being done in the area of grants.

Action Items

Propose 2023/24 Expenditure Budget, Set Public Hearing Date for Adoption of the 23/24 Budget and Approval to Spend Funds from Insurance Proceeds

Mrs. Toscano reviewed that the proposed 22.6 million dollar budget includes items approved by the legislature and projected growth. She explained that because potential growth cannot be made up later it is important to have those amounts included in the proposed fiscal year numbers.

Dr. Robert stated that due to a quorum of members attending professional development out of town on the date of the scheduled July meeting, an alternate date of July 6 is being suggested. He explained that in order to comply with mandates around the budget, members would need to indicate their decision and include it in the motion.

Ms. Aguilar moved and President Hermes read the recommendation to approve the 2023/24 proposed expenditure budget as presented and call for a public hearing and board meeting at the District Office on July 6, 2023, at 5:30 P.M., for the purpose of hearing public comment, approving the expenditure of Insurance proceeds, and adopting the 2023/24 expenditure budget. Mrs. Greenberg seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

To Consider, Discuss, Amend If Desired, And, If Deemed Advisable, to Adopt a Resolution Approving the Governing Board's Argument in Support of the Special District Additional Assistance Override Election

Dr. Robert thanked President Hermes for his assistance in drafting the Governing Board pro statement. President Hermes requested members note revisions or corrections. Mrs. Greenberg requested the capitalization of the first letter for District Additional Assistance.

Mrs. Ramos moved for approval as amended. Ms. Aguilar seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

Out-of-State Professional Development Opportunities for Governing Board Members Ed Hermes, Luis Peralta, Ylenia Aguilar, Leanne Greenberg and Violeta Ramos for the 2023-2024 School Year

Dr. Robert reviewed that approval of the item allows the district to capture best pricing for registration to the named events. It was noted that the ASBA Summer Leadership Institute reflected the June 2023 date and should read June 2024.

Mrs. Greenberg motioned to approve as amended. Mrs. Ramos seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

Out-of-State Professional Development Opportunities for Superintendent Dr. Michael Robert for the 2023-2024 school year

Dr. Robert explained as with the previous item, approval does not mean he will attend all trainings listed but allows for the district to capture savings through early bird registration.

Mrs. Ramos moved to approve. Ms. Aguilar seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

Approval of Master Service Agreement and Addendum with EDBLOX, INC., d/b/a Elevate K-12 ("COMPANY")

Mrs. Potter Davis explained that this partnership will present an opportunity with Elevate to allow students who have participated in the Dual Language program through 6th grade and heritage speakers to take Spanish as an elective at OMS.

Elevate representative, Brigitte Smith provided an overview of the program and shared a short prerecorded video of program offerings. Ms. Smith commended the Osborn team for vetting the opportunity to support students and their commitment to bring the offering to the middle school.

Members expressed support of multi-lingual education and being able to offer an opportunity for students beyond the 6th grade. Mrs. Potter Davis shared that because of the interest expressed for the program, the district is exploring additional opportunities for students to continue their learning of a second language.

Ms. Aguilar moved for approval. Mrs. Ramos seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

Approval of Lease Agreement with Sounds Academy

Dr. Robert explained that the rooms slated for use by Sounds Academy were designated for closure next year and is glad to see the space will be utilized.

Mrs. Ramos motioned for approval. Ms. Aguilar seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

Reflections

Mrs. Ramos said she is thankful for the opportunities for students to focus on social emotional learning and the hard work of everyone.

Mrs. Greenberg agreed with Mrs. Ramos and expressed her thanks for everything the district is doing and the positive relationships shared among the members. She also expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to connect with local leaders through professional development opportunities.

Referring to the partnership with Elevate, Ms. Aguilar said she enjoyed hearing about innovative programs and the creativity the district is using to continue serving students. She also expressed appreciation of the relationships she has in the district.

President Hermes said although he misses seeing the students and teachers he is excited to be moving forward with the election in November.

Dr. Robert echoed member's comments.

Future

Mrs. Greenberg

- Planning around school safety and suspensions for the 23-24 school year

A short break was called at 6:21 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 6:24 PM.

Ms. Aguilar motioned to move into Executive Session. Mrs. Greenberg seconded. Motion Carried 4-0.

Mr. Hermes aye
Ms. Aguilar aye
Mrs. Ramos aye
Mrs. Greenberg aye

Members moved into Executive Session at 6:25 PM.

Members reconvened into Regular session at 8:33 PM.

Adjournment

President Hermes declared the meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Lisa Nye, Executive Assistant
to the Superintendent and Governing Board

Luis Peralta, Board Clerk