

**MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
FOR THE FOWLER SCHOOL DISTRICT #45
1617 SOUTH 67TH AVENUE
PHOENIX, ARIZONA
May 9, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER	The Governing Board meeting was called to order by Ms. Montoya at 4:02p.m.
OPENING OF MEETING: Roll Call	Ms. Francisca Montoya, Ms. Lisa M. Perez and Ms. Nora Ulloa were present.
Others Present	Marco Ruiz, Chad Ostrom, Christopher Gooden, Angie Krenkel, Cindy Bradley, Enoch Davis, Jonathan Short, Matthew Stewart, Kristi Stewart, Robert Altavilla, Andrew Tippins, Andrea Dale, Leticia Valenzuela, Rebecca Osorio, Matthew Camacho, Elizabeth Camu, Tobie Stevens, Don McClintock, Pattie Campos, Janice Irby, Vincent Medina, Amelia Sanchez, Lisa Padilla, Erika Novitch, Caleb Willow, Vincent Moreno, Jon Short, Nicole Orton, Ismael Gonzalez, Jennifer Hodges, William Charles Van Liew, Deborah Riley, Juan Jimenez, Kamila Jelani and Lisa Valencia.
Approve Agenda	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to approve the agenda for May 9, 2023 as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez
Pledge of Allegiance	The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Montoya.
Approval of Minutes –	There was a motion made by Ms. Montoya not to approve minutes until the next board meeting, seconded by Ms. Perez. There was an error found on the April 11, 2023 board meeting minutes. Ms. Montoya recommended to place the approval of minutes of April 11, 2023 and April 17, 2023 on the June board meeting agenda because only two members were present in the April meetings and only one of those two were present at the current meeting in the May meeting:
Presentation: Auditor General Report on District Spending	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• April 11, 2023 regular meeting• April 17, 2023 special/executive session Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez
COMMENTS/CALL TO THE PUBLIC	<p>Erika Novitch stated she received a phone call from the attendance line at 2pm stating her son was absent. She asked why would she be getting a call so late in the day. That her son could be taken away across state lines. Being that the call was so late.</p> <p>Caleb Willow stated he was speaking on the behalf of some classified and certified staff that were unable to attend board meeting today. Mr. Willow delivered several letters written by staff at Santa Maria campus in support of Ms. Sanchez.</p> <p>Janice Irby has worked with Ms. Sanchez for ten years and stated that she spoke for the 6th grade team. She knows that Ms. Sanchez will do a fabulous job as Interim Principal.</p> <p>Ismael Gonzalez has known Ms. Sanchez for five years and has witnessed her fast response to a very serious situation in saving a life of a student. He endorses Ms. Sanchez for her great leadership skills.</p>

Nicole Orton has worked with Ms. Sanchez for ten years. She requests consideration in naming Ms. Sanchez to position permanently as principal of Santa Maria Middle School.

William Charles Van Liew said that Ms. Sanchez displays integrity and dedication in every capacity and has his full support to lead Santa Maria Middle School.

ACTION ITEMS:

Recommendation to Approve Renewal for Medical, Voluntary Dental, Voluntary Vision, FMLA Administration, Employee Assistance Program, Telemedicine, Flexible Spending Account Administration, Basic Life, AD&D/Voluntary Life, COBRA Administration, Health Reimbursement Accounts and Additional Voluntary Benefits for FY23-24	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to Approve Renewal for Medical, Voluntary Dental, Voluntary Vision, FMLA Administration, Employee Assistance Program, Telemedicine, Flexible Spending Account Administration, Basic Life, AD&D/Voluntary Life, COBRA Administration, Health Reimbursement Accounts and Additional Voluntary Benefits for FY23-24 as presented. Ms. Montoya thanked the team that does the negotiations for the benefits for the district and Ms. Perez also voiced her appreciation. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez
Recommendation to Approve the Agreement with EdVantage Partners for FY2023	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to Approve the Agreement with EdVantage Partners for FY2023 as presented. Ms. Montoya requested that going forward the total cost be listed on the coversheet. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez
Recommendation to Approve the Updated FESD (Elementary School) Attendance Areas	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to Approve the Updated FESD Elementary School Attendance Areas as presented. Ms. Perez thanked everyone for their hard work and support in the boundary changes to Fowler schools. She specifically cited appreciation to principals for facilitating so many informational meetings. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez
Recommendation to Approve Disposal of District Property	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to Approve Disposal of District Property as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez
Recommendation to Approve FY2022-23 Budget Revision #2	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to Approve FY2022-23 Budget Revision #2 as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez
Recommendation to Approve Nijaz Hamzabegovic Request for an Exception to Policy GCQE-Retirement of Professional Staff Members	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to Approve Nijaz Hamzabegovic's Request for an Exception to Policy GCQE-Retirement of Professional Staff Members as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez

CONSENT ITEMS:

Personnel Changes

NEW HIRE

EMPLOYEE NAME	POSITION	BOARD APPROVAL DATE
Laura Sanchez	Food service	5/9/2023
Yaquelyn Salas	Technology IA	5/9/2023
Flora Orellana De Lopez	Custodian (Night custodian @WVCCC)	5/9/2023
Bettina Katoya Landrum	Bus Driver	5/9/2023
Danaly Ruiz	Router Dispatcher	5/9/2023
Yessenia Kassandra Cordova	DO Receptionist	5/9/2023

SEPARATIONS

EMPLOYEE NAME	SEPARATION DATE	BOARD APPROVAL DATE
Tabitha Wong-Chung	3/10/2023	5/9/2023
Marco Ruiz	6/30/2023	5/9/2023
Martha Siqueiros	4/17/2023	5/9/2023
Juan Manuel Jaquez Guerrero	4/6/2023	5/9/2023
Maria Ignacia Nevarez Diaz	4/6/2023	5/9/2023
Julia Cortez	4/17/2023	5/9/2023
Norma Rodriguez	4/4/2023	5/9/2023
Vielka Lopez Peraza	4/6/2023	5/9/2023
Louis Still	4/25/2023	5/9/2023
Patsy Hauptman	4/27/2023	5/9/2023
Viviana Suarez	5/5/2023	5/9/2023
Avery Jones	5/25/2023	5/9/2023
Nijaz Hamzabegovic	12/31/2023	5/9/2023
Sally Ruiz	5/12/2023	5/9/2023

TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT

EMPLOYEE NAME	POSITION	BOARD APPROVAL DATE
Connor Gifford	Teacher	5/9/2023
Alexis Amaro	Teacher	5/9/2023
Candace Hoff	Teacher	5/9/2023
Dainely Martinez	Instructional Assistant -Tuscano	5/9/2023
Alexis Amaro	Teacher (3rd)	5/9/2023
Marlene Montiel	Teacher (3rd)	5/9/2023
Alejandrina Mora	Teacher (Second)	5/9/2023
Jonasita Baxter	Lunch Monitor	5/9/2023
Natalie Zavala	Teacher (SPED PreK)	5/9/2023
Theresa Webber	Teacher (6-8)	5/9/2023

Nicole Orton	Teacher (6-8)	5/9/2023
Karissa Hartle	District Receptionist	5/9/2023
Zelda Mazon	Teacher	5/9/2023
Jacquelin Torres	Teacher	5/9/2023
Troy Stewart	Teacher (fifth)	5/9/2023
Laura Lozoya	Staff referral INCENTIVE	5/9/2023
Natalia Vazquez	Preschool Sub Teacher	5/9/2023
Dolores Perea	Teacher (6-8)	5/9/2023
Annette Little	Teacher (8th)	5/9/2023
Armando Garcia	Mckinney-Vento Driver	5/9/2023
Fortina Llerenas Quintero	Bus Monitor	5/9/2023
Dieago Minnis	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
Caleb Willow	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
Marlene Montiel	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
Connor Gifford	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
Monica Jordan	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
Elisa Martinez	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
William Stern	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
Maylene Ulloa	Teacher (summer committee)	5/9/2023
Caleb Willow	Teacher	5/9/2023
Rita Garcia	FS Worker	5/9/2023
Minerva Cota	FS Worker	5/9/2023
Maria Muratalla	FS Worker	5/9/2023
Tracy O'Neill	Teacher (4th)	5/9/2023
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Jacquelyn Tinoco	Clerk	5/9/2023
Jenry Moreno	Custodian	5/9/2023

TRANSFER

EMPLOYEE NAME	POSITION	BOARD APPROVAL DATE
Irma Camargo	SPED IA Transfer to New position	5/9/2023

FMLA /LEAVE

EMPLOYEE NAME	POSITION	BOARD APPROVAL DATE
Berenice Alonzo	District Medical leave approved	5/9/2023
Kaylynne Fox	FMLA INTERMITTENT	5/9/2023
Claudia Beltran	FMLA INTERMITTENT	5/9/2023
Ann Marie Schilling	FMLA INTERMITTENT	5/9/2023
Christina Anaya	Return to work from FMLA	5/9/2023
Raymundo Casillas	FMLA CONTINUOUS	5/9/2023
Crystal Cerda	FMLA INTERMITTENT	5/9/2023

CHANGES

EMPLOYEE NAME	POSITION	BOARD APPROVAL DATE
Maria Contreras	Instructional Aide - Long Term Sub	5/9/2023
Rachel Hernandez	Crossing Guard - Lunch Monitor	5/9/2023
Rosa Mena	FS Worker	5/9/2023
Juan Garcia	Bus Driver	5/9/2023
Lusmaria Martinez	Food service	5/9/2023
Amelia Sanchez	TOSA - Assistant Principal	5/9/2023

Payroll and Expense Vouchers Payroll vouchers FY22-23 34 1033, 35 1034 and 36 1035 along with expense vouchers FY22-23 2343 were presented for ratification.

Budget and Expenditure The Budget and Expenditure Report was provided to the Governing Board for approval. By approving the report monthly, the Board is approving any minor changes between programs that may be made by the Finance Department as need arises.

There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to approve the consent items 1 through 4 as presented.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez

Donations

- DonorsChoose – Donated \$658.25 to Santa Maria Middle School for instructional materials
- DonorsChoose – Donated \$453.96 at Tuscano Elementary School for instructional materials

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Student Activities and Food Service Reports

1. The student activities ledger covers the fiscal year period through April 2023. The food Services report covers April 2023. All are presented for information purposes only. Ms. Perez noted that the EdVantage Partners agreement allowed for use of debit cards. She encouraged consideration of this option for student councils to conduct business funding. Ms. Perez and Ms. Montoya emphasized the need for stronger communication with our community.

Head Start Monthly Report

2. The Fowler Elementary School District Head Start Monthly Report for April 2023 was presented for information purposes only.

Information on the FESD Social Media Presence

3. Mr. Ostrom gave an overview on the benefits of a social media presence and ensuring our FESD “brand” is visible in the community. He shared that it will be a useful resource to keep our community informed.

Information on the M&O Override Election Update

4. Mr. Ostrom shared the importance of bringing the M&O override to the voters in November of 2023 and shared how that would impact our schools funding. Both Ms. Perez and Ms. Montoya mentioned we will have to do a better job to increase our voter turnout.

Informational Item

Reassignment of Assistant Principal Ms. Amelia Sanchez to Perform Interim Principal

5. Superintendent Ulloa shared information regarding the reassignment of Ms. Amelia Sanchez as Teacher on Special Assignment /Assistant Principal to Interim Principal from May 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

Duties from May 1, 2023
through June 30, 2023

Request for Future Agenda
Items

none

REPORTS:

Superintendent

- Hooray! We made it to the last school day for students on 5/25 and last Teacher Day on 5/26
- Reminder it's Teacher Appreciation Week
- WVMS 5/12 and SMMS 5/19 school band trips to California scheduled later in May
- We will soon be announcing the New Assistant Superintendent
- An audio message was played from District 7 Council Woman Yassamin Ansari thanking Fowler Teachers and Administrators for all their hard work

Governing Board Members

none

Adjournment

There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to adjourn the meeting.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Montoya, Ms. Perez

Ms. Montoya adjourned the meeting at 4:48p.m.

Governing Board Member

Date

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