

APACHE JUNCTION UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43
Governing Board
Minutes of Regular Meeting held August 14, 2018

An Executive Session/Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Apache Junction Unified School District #43 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Apache Junction Unified School District Board Room, 1575 W. Southern Avenue, Apache Junction, AZ. President Ehrlich led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members in attendance were Jodi Ehrlich, Dena Kimble, Cami Garcia, Christa Rizzi, and Michael Weaver (via telephone).

A motion was made by Mrs. Rizzi and seconded by Mrs. Kimble to enter into an executive session per A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1)(7) at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the sale/lease of GCES, TMMS, SMES, the Old FPES bldg., Dinosaur Park. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Adjourned: 6:30 p.m.

The regular meeting resumed at 6:32 p.m.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble to amend the agenda by removing Item B. Mrs. Garcia seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 4-1. Mrs. Rizzi voted Nay.

Comment: Mrs. Rizzi had concerns about leaving the Gold Canyon property up for sale. Her concerns are the possibility of getting an offer from a charter school and having to sell it, and the possibility of having a need to reopen a school in the future and having the property for less than market value.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the July 24, 2018 Minutes. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Public Comment: Natalie Christensen
3538 S. Chaparral Rd., Apache Junction, AZ

Governing Board:

Mrs. Ehrlich said we had a good start of the school year. It has been a hectic first few weeks and she was happy to see such a great turnout at Meet your Teacher night.

Mrs. Kimble was also happy to see such a great turnout at Meet your Teacher night and she also attended a couple of forums and a carwash.

Mr. Weaver apologized for missing the beginning of the school year and read a letter of resignation effective September 5 due to the fact that he will no longer be a member of the community. He thanked several people and organizations for all they have done to help the district.

Superintendent: Dr. Anderson spoke with the Pinal County Superintendent and she recommended that the Governing Board position remain vacant until after the election as Mr. Weaver's position comes up for election this fall. Our first home football game is August 24th and the challenge is to wear black and gold. If a school has 50% participation they will earn points towards the Team Spirit competition. I

will be putting out a question of the week to earn points towards the competition. On September 22nd we will have a homecoming parade with the actual homecoming on September 28th. Points will be awarded to the schools for the winning floats. On October 5th there is a high school reunion for all who graduated from 1950 until now. We have five safety vests for duty personnel to wear while on duty. Our enrollment at the high school and junior high numbers are up. The total numbers at the end of school last year were 3,620 and today they are at 3,492 which is a decline of 3.5% and we have budgeted at 4% decline.

Administrators' Report: The Board appreciates having the administrators' reports from the principals and other administrators. This report is very detailed and helps us out with their concerns. Thanks to the administrators.

A motion was made by Mrs. Rizzi and seconded by Mrs. Kimble to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Information and Discussion items:

AVID Training Update: We are bringing AVID aboard to the district at Cactus Canyon Junior High. AVID prepares students for after they leave high school. It is an elective that builds a community and provides support to the students. We started with the junior high. The strategies are called WICOR – Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization and Reading. It was explained what each strategy means and how it will be used in the classroom. There were a number of classroom teachers who attended AVID training in June so students will benefit from AVID even if they are not directly part of the program. There were meetings this summer to discuss what was done last year and to set goals for this year. There are four domains that we look at:

- **Instruction:**
 - WICOR Strategies
 - 21st Century Skills
 - Student Leadership Skills
 - Goal-Setting/Monitoring
 - Improved Academic Performance for All Students
- **Systems:**
 - to Support Curriculum and Instruction
 - AVID Elective Class
 - Data Collection and Analysis
 - Professional Learning
 - Student and Parent Outreach
- **Leadership:**
 - Sets the vision and tone that promotes college readiness and high expectations for all students
 - Strategic Planning
- **Culture:**
 - College Awareness and Preparation
 - High Expectations for All
 - Common Belief in Student Success
 - Family and Community Involvement

The school-wide goals are:

Systems: CCJH will offer two sections of the AVID elective to students who have been accepted through an application and interview process. We will adhere to the coaching and certification instrument at the meets level of the AVID implementation expectations in at least 60% of the categories for school-wide systems.

- AVID Elective
 - 7th grade Elective -15 students
 - 8th grade Elective - 29 students
 - Focus on: organization, note-taking strategies, collaboration and communication,

Instruction: To incorporate the use of WICOR strategies in instructional planning and classroom practice weekly. This goal includes the use of focused note taking strategies across all AVID classes, and expanding the use of select strategies identified by Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies and Elective departments as high priorities for a specific discipline.

Leadership: The AVID Site Leadership Team will develop and have a site plan in place and meet on a regular basis to collaborate on goals set with a focus to make decisions that promote college readiness and high expectations for all students.

Culture: We will share AVID success stories with the community on a quarterly basis including reports to the Board, article in the paper, district newsletter, and student online newspaper (Cougar Chronicle).

Transportation Update

Mrs. Jioras talk about building culture at the transportation department

- The computer had a routing glitch and lost about half the students and we had to go back and reroute all the students. We also had a problem with our printers and due to this we did not get our letters out to the parents until school had already started.
- Refresh the environment – We have changed our department colors and repainted with a nice grey and black color scheme. We are trying to improve the work environment and update the needs of our drivers.
- Staff expectations – she expect our drivers to be professional and happy when they see the kids. There has been some negativity and we are working through that.
- Community Relations – Our start up didn't help with frustrated parents and we are hoping that we are turning the corner and we do care about the kids. The "one address" rule is one of the biggest changes for everyone to get used to this year.
- We are still experiencing routing software issues and are looking into a possible change for next year.
- Staffing is much better but we are still six drivers short and expect to be fully staffed in the next few months.
- We are looking into the use of epi pens on the bus.
- We have new bus management forms for use with discipline issues. Rather than having minor issues go directly to a conduct ticket we want our drivers to be more proactive in managing problems on the bus.
- Through the Volkswagen bus grant, we could be looking at five new buses. The paperwork is due on September 28th.
- We are still looking at changes for the future and we want to make it a more positive environment for all.

Volunteer Coach's Agreement: Dr. Cruz said that we have two documents for the board to consider. The first one recognizes that the coaching stipend does not meet the hours and efforts the coaches put in, they are truly volunteering their time. The second one addressed that fact that there are many coaches who are not certified teachers and we want to ensure if a classified person wants to coach, their regular duties are completed before they participate in coaching activities.

Policy Advisories: 616-624 was presented for first reading.

Action Items:

- A. A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the Hearing Officers as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- B. A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Rizzi to approve the lease agreement on Gold Canyon Elem. School building to Gold Canyon Church effective September 1, 2018 with a 30% sub-lease clause added to the agreement. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- C. A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the lease agreement on Thunder Mountain Middle School building to Superstition Fire and Medical District effective September 1, 2018 with a 30% sub-lease clause added to the agreement. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- D. A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the lease agreement on Old Four Peaks Elem. School building to Boys and Girls Club effective November 1, 2018. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- E. A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the lease agreement on Superstition Mountain Elem. School building to Centerstage Church effective January 1, 2019. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- F. A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia not to approve Katrina Whitley's resignation. She is to report to Desert Vista Elem. School effective August 15, 2018. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Request for future agenda items:

1. Format of current agenda


At 7:55 p.m., Mrs. Kimble moved to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Garcia seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

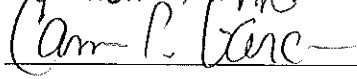
Respectfully submitted by:
Edna Goff, Board Secretary
August 28, 2018

APPROVED BY THE BOARD:

 _____ President

_____ Vice-President

 _____ Member

 _____ Member

_____ Member

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
August 14, 2018

Recommendation to Hire:

Classified: Elena Alonso, Receptionist, Transportation
Jenessa Bertolucci, Café Assistant, Food Services/CCJH
Shana Boyster, Bus Aide, Transportation
Victor Cano, Bus Driver, Transportation
Debra Carolus, Café Assistant, Food Services/FPES
Brett Darling, Para Educator, Apache Junction High School
Michael DeLorenzo, Custodian, Apache Junction High School
Frankie Doucet, Para Educator, TLC/Daycare
Susanna Dugall, Para Educator, Peralta Trail Elementary
Aaron Estrada Espinoza, Custodian, Desert Vista Elementary
Tlilal Flores Pena Pope, Para Educator, TLC/Daycare
Jennifer Gaudet, Athletic Trainer, Apache Junction High School
Rachel Hanson, Para Educator, Peralta Trail Elementary
Amanda Harvey, Para Educator, Peralta Trail Elementary
Lisa Hilliard, Bus Aide, Transportation
Raychel Jimenez, Bus Aide, Transportation
Vincent Kenny, Custodian, Maintenance/CCJH
Meshellene Miller, Café Assistant, Food Services/CCJH
Sheila Miller, Para Educator, Peralta Trail Elementary
Nichole Nesbitt, LPN, Desert Vista Elementary
Pamela Simons, Para Educator, Transitional Learning Community
Ashley Shonley, Registered Nurse, Peralta Trail Elementary
Brendan Snowball, Para Educator, Cactus Canyon Junior High
Anna-Marie Stoddard, Para Educator, Peralta Trail Elementary
Laura Thomas, Admin Secretary, DV (Return from SmartSchools)

Transfer with no change in compensation:

	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Faye Smith	Para I-Sped @ PTES	Para I-Title @ FPES

Transfer with change in compensation:

	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Cayla Brossman	Para II-Sped @ DVES	Para I – Title @ DVES
Jennifer Cameron	Library @ PTES	Computer Tech @ Tech Dept
Jamie Castro	Para II-Sped @ DVES	Receptionist @ CCJH
Shannon Eldridge	Para II-Sped @ DVES	Health Aide @ DVES

Resignations: Michael DeLorenzo, Night Lead Custodian, AJ High School
Nora Galan, Café Assistant, Food Services/Cactus Canyon
Taeylar Hill, Bus Aide, Transportation
Sunrise Mullin, Custodian, Maintenance/Desert Vista Elementary
Anna-Marie Stoddard, Para Educator, Peralta Trail Elementary
Jasmine Torres, Custodian, Maintenance/AJ High School

VOUCHERS FOR JULY 2018

DATE	VOUCHER #	DESCRIPTION	FUND	AMOUNT	TOTAL OF VOUCHER
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE					
7/3/18	2170		001	\$13,833.63	
			510	\$139.43	
			630	\$37.99	
			610	\$607.76	\$14,618.81
7/5/18	2171		001	\$8,749.60	
			110	\$434,597.08	
			190	\$295.00	\$443,641.68
7/10/18	2172		001	\$78,197.96	
			080	\$1,448.04	
			190	\$1,993.20	
			220	\$188.10	
			610	\$4,074.71	\$85,902.01
7/17/18	2173		001	\$22,348.80	
			510	\$845.61	
			530	\$4,368.00	
			610	\$0.00	\$27,562.41
7/24/18	2174		001	\$20,225.23	\$20,225.23
7/10/18	5000		001	\$10,386.63	
			110	\$900.00	\$11,286.63
7/16/18	5001		001	\$96,895.93	
			510	\$197.72	
			610	\$107,656.06	\$204,749.71
7/19/18	5002		001	\$6,490.53	
			110	\$7,313.00	
			220	\$7,054.29	
			297	\$949.39	
			515	\$1,006.00	
			530	\$867.65	
			610	\$394.55	\$24,075.41
7/24/18	5003		001	\$12,485.05	
			530	\$1,051.22	\$13,536.27
7/25/18	5004		001	\$26,148.42	
			530	\$10,145.46	
			610	\$29,647.44	\$65,941.32
7/27/18	5005		001	\$7,815.38	
			220	\$100.00	
			221	\$1,040.69	
			297	\$5,400.00	
			515	\$191.00	
			530	\$71.71	
			610	\$1,995.00	\$16,613.78

7/31/18	5006		001	\$9,281.60	
			110	\$3,995.00	
			220	\$83.18	
			530	\$314.06	
			610	\$16,452.13	\$30,125.97
FOOD SERVICE					
7/2/18	3046		510	\$1,546.90	\$1,546.90
7/10/18	3047		510	\$194.05	\$194.05
7/13/18	3048		510	\$31.00	\$31.00
7/23/18	3049		510	\$442.44	\$442.44
7/13/18	6000		510	\$17,281.44	\$17,281.44
7/23/18	6001		510	\$23,680.07	\$23,680.07
7/27/18	6002		510	\$13,089.87	\$13,089.87
REVOLVING					
7/3/2018	1028		540	\$44.00	\$44.00
PAYROLL					
7/13/18	1		001	\$109,776.30	
			110	\$3,367.65	
			145	\$1,438.59	
			220	\$2,119.79	
			301	\$1,235.17	
			510	\$2,776.82	
			530	\$371.13	\$121,085.45
7/13/18	2		001	\$3,421.94	
			510	\$1,217.65	\$4,639.59
7/13/18	3		001	\$5,169.48	\$5,169.48
7/27/18	4		001	\$180,488.01	
			011	\$50.53	
			013	\$127.26	
			110	\$3,367.65	
			145	\$1,438.59	
			220	\$2,119.79	
			301	\$1,266.84	
			510	\$6,890.85	
			515	\$1,209.23	
			530	\$1,629.06	\$198,587.81
7/27/18	5		001	\$20,730.11	
			510	\$6,183.35	\$25,913.46
7/27/18	6		001	\$11,731.95	
			013	\$13,339.19	
			110	\$1,384.61	
			145	\$2,467.17	
			510	\$271.64	\$29,194.56