

APACHE JUNCTION UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43  
Governing Board  
Minutes of Regular Meeting held August 28, 2018

An Executive Session/Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Apache Junction Unified School District #43 was called to order at 6:00 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.

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

A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the August 14, 2018 Minutes. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Superintendent: Dr. Anderson made a statement about leadership and communication among us. She asked the Board to find common ground and not take internal struggles to the public.

Mrs. Kimble left the meeting at 6:03 p.m. to attend her daughter's volleyball game.

Public Comment: 1) Thomas Aulik  
503 E. Montebello, Apache Junction, AZ  
2) Judy Lutes  
4381 N. Ironwood Drive, Apache Junction, AZ  
3) Roberto Reveles  
10904 E. Sleepy Hollow Trail, Gold Canyon, AZ

A motion was made by Mrs. Rizzi and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Action Items:

- A. A motion was made by Mrs. Garcia and seconded by Mrs. Rizzi to approve the Policy Advisories 616-624. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.
- B. A motion was made by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mrs. Rizzi to approve the Volunteer Coach's Agreement. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Comment: Mr. Weaver said well-done, agreement is a step in the right direction.

Information and Discussion items:

TLC Update: Mrs. Wallace, the Director of the Learning Center, reported the purpose of the Learning Center, the aspects of who uses it, and what an asset it is for our district. We were evaluated last year and we moved from two stars to four stars. Right now, we have about 70 before and after-school students and we are partnering with Parks and Rec. from the City. We have a couple of jobs available that we are going to open up to our high school students. One of the things we offer is an early

childcare elective for high school students. We have three rooms of students right now and we could probably handle another 20 students in the program.

AzMerit Results: Mrs. Wallace reported that we give two basic tests to evaluate our progress as a district. The Galileo test is given in the fall to set our baseline data, two more times throughout the year, and once again in the Spring. Our scores are compared to other districts that also use Galileo. The AZ Merit test is given in the spring with the results coming back to us in the summer. These scores are compared with each school within the district, with other districts, and with all students in Arizona. The data was shown to the board on a PowerPoint comparing Math, Reading, and Writing within our schools, with other districts, and the state. We have Valinda Wells, a nationally certified math teacher, working with the Elementary Math students who are excelling in Math and teaching them at a higher level than general Math students. The test result at all levels is very positive and show that this program is working. We understand that there is more progress to be made and our principals are working together to create plans for improvements.

The Career and College Readiness Indicators data is being looked at and collected throughout the year so that it will not be just worked on at the end of the year. By looking at this throughout the year, we can fill in the gaps and have our kids more prepared for the future.

The letter grades have not been released from the Department of Education. We will share the results with the Board and public as soon as it's release.

Technology Update: Ms. Renee Jackson, Tech Director, reported that our current technology package is ten years old and out of date. It cannot be expanded and has no more storage. It requires extensive maintenance and if it fails it would shut the district down for an for an unspecified amount of time. Most of our programs would not work. There are two options for the district:

1. Continue as is and hope it does not fail.
2. Install a Hyper Convergence system which would condense all our programs into one system.

Ms. Jackson has three quotes from different companies. She recommended Nutanix's proposal. Nutanix is an established leader in the Hyperconverged technology. They have a good track record, competitive pricing and have a reputation for excellent service. The company has extensive experience with school districts throughout the U.S. including Arizona.

Marketing Plan Presentation: Ms. Sally Marks presented the goals and strategy for the 2018-2019 Marketing Plan. She outlined three major communication categories: how to promote what is good about AJUSD; a plan to communicate how the district is improving, and how to effectively tell our unique story in a positive, clear and purposeful way that links directly to points outlined in the Strategic Plan.

Health Office Technician Job Description:

Dr. Cruz reported that we have a new template for making job descriptions that we will be using to create all new job descriptions. You have a document for this job description to look at.

First Read on Policy Advisories 625-643 – according to Dr. Cruz, there is no change on ASBA's recommended policies.

Request for future agenda items:


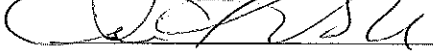

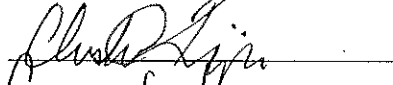
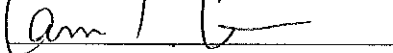
1. Grade check procedure

2. Booster Club Policy
3. Monthly Enrollment Update

At 7:10 p.m., Mr. Weaver moved to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Garcia seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Edna Goff, Board Secretary  
September 11, 2018

APPROVED BY THE BOARD:

	President
	Vice-President
	Member
	Member
	Member

## GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

August 28, 2018

### Recommendation to Hire:

Classified: Tonda Day, Café Assistant, Food Service/AJHS  
Heather Dedo, Bus Driver, Transportation  
Myrella Diego-Arroyo, Café Assistant, Food Service/CCJH  
Herman Finn, Bus Driver, Transportation  
Dennis Hillis, Bus Aide, Transportation  
Charlyne Long, Para Educator, TLC/Daycare  
James McKinney, Bus Driver, Transportation  
Todd Nelson, Bus Driver, Transportation  
Alexis Overall, Para Educator, Peralta Trail Elementary  
Josefina Robles Lim, Custodian, Maintenance/AJ High School  
Loretta Spears, Bus Driver, Transportation  
Valerie Thielbar, Para Educator, Cactus Canyon Junior High

Resignations: Joseph Beck, Bus Driver, Transportation  
Madison Desoto, ASL Interpreter, Peralta Trail Elementary  
Megan Duran, Para Professional, Desert Vista Elementary  
Pamela Oslund, Para Professional, Four Peaks Elementary  
Charles E. Parham, Bus Driver, Transportation  
Sarah Skinner, Café Asst, Food Service/Desert Vista Elementary

Retirements: Thomas Mattausch, Clerk, Apache Junction High School  
Rachel Vespender, Bus Driver, Transportation

2018-2019 AJUSD TRANSFER LIST

EMPLOYEE	ORIGINAL POSITION:		TRANSFERRING TO:		Δ COMP
	SITE	POSITION	SITE	POSITION	
Abbott, Mary	PT	Grade 6	PT	Grade 1	No
Anzaldua Peralta, Marissa	District	Aid - Health	PT	Librarian	Yes
Baez, Ana	TLC	Secretary	TLC	Registrar	Yes
Bush, Dalayna	TLC	Para - Daycare	TLC	Para - Preschool	Yes
Cameron, Jennifer	PT	Librarian	CC	Computer Tech	Yes
Davis, Meaghan	CC	Dean of Students	DV	Behavior Coach	Yes
Day, Jocelyn	TLC	Para - Daycare	TLC	Para - Preschool	Yes
Day, Michael	PT	Grade 6	PT	Grade 5	No
Falconburg, Lauren	DV	Grade 5	DV	Teacher Reading	No
Gavre, Stephanie	PT	Grade 4	PT	Grade 3	No
Hendrie, Chad	FP	Grade 6	FP	Grade 5	No
Hermann, Sara	FP	SLP-A	CC/HS	SLP-A	No
Hobbs, Kyle	CC	Para Ed - Title 1	CC	Para Ed - Inclusion	No
Hofer, Norm	AJHS	Sped - Cross Cat	AJHS	Sped	No
Huelskamp, Lisa	PT	Grade 3	PT	Grade 1	No
Izzo, Dawn	DV	Para Educator	Trans	Driver w/ Trainer Sup	Yes
Jenkins, Bria	PT	Behavior Coach	HS	Counselor	No
Kenley, Kerry	TLC	Para - Preschool	FP	SLP - A	Yes
LaSasso, Reina	TLC	Para - Preschool	TLC	Para - E.D.	Yes
Longacre, Ericka	PT	Kindergarten	PT	Grade 2	No
Martinez, Melissa	PT	Grade 4	PT	Grade 3	No
Mattausch, Thomas	HS	Para - Sped	HS	Clerk	No
McAllister, Catherine	CC	Asst Principal	PT	Behavior Coach	Yes
McConnell, Erin	CC/HS	Librarian	HS	Librarian	No
Parker, Frankie	PT	PE	FP	PE	No
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Rice, Shannon	DV	Grade 2	DV	Grade 3	No
Rogers Jatta, Louis	TLC	Teacher - Preschool	AJHS	Teacher - Sped ELA	No
Runberg, Juli	FP	Grade 5	FP	Art	No
Schroeder, Lisa	CC	Lang Arts	CC	Drama	No
Sedillo, Ali	DV	Grade 5	DV	Grade 6	No
Short, Lindsey	DV	Grade 6	DV	Grade 5	No
Webb, Naomi	PT	Para Life Skills	PT	Grade 1	Yes
Wright, April	DV	Grade 5	DV	Grade 6	No
Young, Alexandria	FP	Grade 3	FP	Grade 2	No