

**Notice of Regular Meeting with Executive Session
Wednesday, March 11, 2015**

**Location: Cartwright School District 83
5220 W. Indian School Rd.
Phoenix, AZ 85031**

A. Notice of Meeting

B. Agenda

C. Opening Items

1. Call to Order and Roll Call - Mr. Lopez
Mr. Lopez called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
Board members present: Pedro Lopez, John V Gomez, Rosa Cantu and Lydia Hernandez were present. Denice Garcia participated telephonically.
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Mr. Lopez
Mr. Lopez led the pledge of allegiance.
3. Adoption of Agenda - Board Member Motion
Adoption of the agenda for the Wednesday, March 11, 2015 Governing Board Meeting.

Motion by Lydia Hernandez, second by John V Gomez.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Pedro Lopez, Denice Garcia, Lydia Hernandez, John V Gomez, Rosa Cantu

D. Reports/Summary of Current Events

1. Superintendent - Dr. Chávez: A. Superintendent's Award of Excellence to Janice Oglesby, Food Services Operations Supervisor - Ms. Veronica Sanchez; B. Technology Task Force Update - Dr. Lawlor; C. YOU: Your Child's First Teacher Program Update - Dr. Osuna

Dr. Chávez welcomed everyone and reminded them that our students would be on Spring Break the week of March 16, 2015 and that schools and the Superintendent's Office would be closed during this time however, the District Office would be open with limited staff. The Superintendent thanked all middle school Principals, Counselors and Family Welcome Center staff. He stated that due to their coordinated efforts, 79 completed applications were submitted to Arizona State University for participation in the Hispanic Mother Daughter Program. Dr. Chávez stated that our middle school students recently participated in the Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) regional competition. Two of our teams placed: Borman Hydropower Challenge Group placed 2nd and Desert Sands Solar Car Group placed 6th. He shared that there were over 400 students from

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20 schools in Central Arizona participating in the competition. The Superintendent congratulated the winning students, their principals, advisors and parents for supporting the students. The Superintendent informed everyone that of the 40 District participants, 24 would continue on to the state competition in Tucson on April 18, 2015. Dr. Chávez shared that Ms. Amanda Atteln, Math Interventionist at Tarver is being recognized by McGraw Hill Book Company as Teacher of the Month and will be featured in their newsletter this month. Ms. Atteln was nominated for her energy, excitement and overall high level of implementation of the SRA Intervention Program. Ms. Atteln is the first person to be recognized for the award.

Dr. Chávez then introduced Ms. Veronica Sanchez, Director of Communications and Community Engagement who presented the Superintendent's Award of Excellence to Ms. Janice Oglesby, Food Services Operations Supervisor. Janice was nominated by her co-worker Linda King. Her nomination states, "Janice has always volunteered to take care of everyone that works in the food services office, in all the years I've worked with her, I have never heard her complain about the responsibility that has been bestowed on her." A certificate was presented to Mrs. Oglesby, pictures were taken with the Superintendent. Dr. Chávez thanked Ms. Cinda Gerhouser for the gift she donated to present to Mrs. Oglesby.

The Superintendent introduced Dr. Lawlor who introduced Ms. Debbie Kuenzli and Mr. Ryan Anderson co-chairs of the Technology Task Force. Ms. Kuenzli shared that the purpose of the task force was to create a structure to identify areas of needs, develop possible solutions and ensure that all students and teachers have access to technology. She shared the mission and vision of the group and provided a timeline for their work. A list of subcommittees was provided as well as the process for collective inquiry for the subcommittee's, and their findings and recommendations. Some of the findings were; Cartwright does not have a clear action plan in place, due to budget cuts, the district will have to rely on creative financing and grants, the IT department is unable to efficiently and effectively support all schools, not all parents have consistent access to technology.

Recommendations were; prioritize technology efforts based on district goals and student impact, provide dedicated access to technology and support for Cartwright parents at school sites, develop technology pacing guides and benchmarks, provide professional development opportunities through the use of site iTechs and district specialists, upgrade wireless internet, provide Mobile Device Management, and increase IT personnel. Mr. Anderson shared next steps/phase 2 such as prioritizing recommendations based on findings, funding and student impact, recommendations from the committee to be turned over to the relevant departments so they can create an action plan for implementation. Ms. Kuenzli informed the Board that several members

of the Technology Task Force would be attending the ISTE Conference taking place on June 28, 2015 in order to support continuous improvement in the area of technology. Lastly, a list of all committee and subcommittee members was presented. Ms. Kuenzli and Mr. Anderson thanked the Board for their support and thanked all task force members for their work. Dr. Chávez also thanked them for all their efforts and asked if the Board had any questions.

Mrs. Hernandez commented that the presentation was very comprehensive and detailed. She let them know that she appreciated the strategic nature in which the Task Force acted in order to be able to share information with the Board in this manner. Mrs. Cantu congratulated them for the presentation and shared that technology was a passion of hers and stated she appreciated their hard work. Mr. Gomez thanked the task force for their work and congratulated them in all the work they are doing.

Dr. Chávez introduced Dr. Osuna who introduced Mrs. Irene Rivera, Director and Ms. Vanessa Chávez Family Engagement Coordinator, at the Family Welcome Center who presented an update regarding the YOU: Your Child's First Teacher Program. Information regarding the parent curriculum, workshops and Parent Liaison role were provided. Ms. Chavez shared that we had 600+ registrants for the parent workshops, the last three workshops were held March 4th & 5th, all Parent Liaisons were trained and all twenty schools had parent participation. Positive and needs improvement parent comments pertaining to Cartwright School District were shared. Mrs. Rivera stated that the YOU Parent Program would be the major initiative for Parent Liaison implementation for the remainder of this school year and that they would be planning future sessions at individual schools. Those efforts would be supported by Mrs. Rivera and Ms. Chávez. Mrs. Rivera thanked the Board for their support in engaging parents in our District.

Mrs. Hernandez asked if a civic action was designated as a result of the parent involvement meetings? Mrs. Rivera stated that they did speak about the topic and parents shared that they wanted to be involved on advisory councils in the community and how they would go about doing that. Mrs. Cantu asked how long the training sessions were? Mrs. Rivera shared that the workshops were four hours long however, there would be ongoing workshops to complete the entire book series and different areas of the program. She also mentioned that there were about 60 children the Family Welcome Center provided daycare for so their parents could attend the workshops. Mrs. Cantu inquired what the average age group was for the children? Mrs. Rivera shared that most were toddlers and ranged from two to four years of age. All children were provided a backpack and pre-literacy materials to take home in an effort to help parents prepare them for school. Mrs.

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Rivera shared that all parents were entered into a database in an effort to keep in touch with those active parents and keep not only the parent but our future students engaged.

2. Board update - Board Members

Mrs. Hernandez shared that she and a few parents attended a Governing Board meeting at Phoenix Union High School District to address an issue. She and the parents are members of the parent advisory group at Maryvale High School. The issue they addressed was regarding the administration at Maryvale High School. Mrs. Hernandez shared that she was disappointed that the Governor's budget was approved and that she hoped for more leadership development in the community in order to make more positive changes for our students.

Mrs. Cantu congratulated Ms. Janice Oglesby for winning the Superintendent's Award of Excellence. She also congratulated the Principals of Borman and Desert Sands Middle schools regarding their student's participation and achievement at the MESA 2015 Regional Competition.

Mr. Gomez welcomed everyone and shared that he had the opportunity to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new library in the City of Buckeye. He was also able to attend Buckeye Elementary Schools Read Across America event. He shared that he would speak with Dr. Chávez regarding a partnership opportunity with Hickman Farms. Mr. Gomez stated that he was very disappointed with what happened at the Capitol regarding the Governor's budget and how it affected education in Arizona. He shared that he became aware that the American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart Program and new that some schools in our District participated in that program. He encouraged all schools to participate in the program and stated that it means more free physical education items for our schools.

Mr. Lopez shared that in his work, he is fighting climate change at many levels, in many states and it has kept him very busy. He apologized for not being able to attend the Read Across America events at the schools and stated he looks forward to attending those and other events next year. Mr. Lopez shared that he will be attending the National School Boards Association 75th Annual Conference in Nashville, TN., he looks forward to the learning opportunity and shared that the board would share what they learned at the first board meeting after the conference.

Ms. Garcia acknowledged Dr. Chavez and all the other Superintendents that have visited the Capital in an effort to shed some light on the effect of the Governor's budget on education. She also thanked all other Board Members that were at the Capitol and that have either

adopted or placed the resolution to denounce Governor Ducey's budget.

E. Call to the Public

1. Consideration and possible discussion of comments and complaints from the public. The Governing Board will not take any legal action on matters raised during this portion of the meeting unless the comments and complaints pertain to items included on the agenda. A three (3) minutes time limit is set and all are asked to adhere to this limit. The Governing Board may direct staff to study matters raised by the public or to reschedule those matters for future consideration, discussion and possible action at a later date.

Mr. Lopez read the admonition.

Ms. Teresa Trujillo, Assistant Principal at Davidson School spoke regarding The Positive Behavior Intervention & Support Award they recently received. She shared that at Davidson they are implementing Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports, and that they are in year two of grant. Ms. Trujillo stated that the program teaches educators to approach behavior the same way they approach education. The program assists with interventions and assists educators learn what social skills are necessary to support our students to be successful in life. She stated that her school and Desert Sands Middle School were recognized and received an award at the PBIS conference for their implementation of the program. She commended Ms. Deborah Hammond and the PBIS Team at her school for their hard work and dedication to PBIS at their school.

Rebecca Leimkuehler, Principal at Holiday Park School spoke regarding fire safety. She shared briefly about a house fire that ended the life of one of her students and severely injured a sibling. She stated that the Crisis Team visited with Teachers and students at her school and that as a result of this event she became aware that many student homes did not have smoke detectors. She partnered with the City of Phoenix Fire Department to provide smoke detectors to other families at her school. At her school, they received 165 requests from parents for smoke detectors. The Fire Department was contacted and on February 7, 2015, 113 smoke alarms were installed into the homes of families at Holiday Park School. Ms. Leimkuehler thanked the Arizona Burn Foundation, Phoenix Fire Department and Councilman Daniel Valenzuela for their support and participation in that event. Mrs. Leimkuehler invited everyone to participate in a volunteer opportunity on Saturday, March 28th at Holiday Park School. She stated that the goal is to furnish and install all Cartwright School District homes with smoke alarms. All those that participate would be taught on how to install smoke alarms and sent out into the community to complete the task.

F. Consent Agenda - Dr. Chávez

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Study Session/Special Meeting followed by Regular Meeting with Executive Session Held on February 25, 2015
2. Approval of the Student Activity Fund December 2014
3. Approval and/or Ratification of District Acceptance of Gifts and Donations
4. Approval of Fundraiser
5. Ratification of Payroll and Expense Vouchers as attached
6. Approval of Coalition Involvement Agreement Between Cartwright School District #83 and Amigos SPARC Coalition
7. Approval of Out of State Travel for Superintendent and Governing Board to attend the National Association of Latino Elected Officials 32nd Annual Conference in Las Vegas, NV, June 17-19, 2015
8. Approval of Out-of-State Travel For Schools
9. Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Educational Services
10. Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Food Services employees, Lorraine Stull, Susan Cone, Janice Oglesby, Linda King, Rosario Espinoza and Diane Gruman, to attend the School Nutrition Annual National Conference from July 10th to July 16th, 2015 in Salt Lake City, Utah.
11. Approval of Overnight Field Trip to Chauncey Ranch/Camp Sky-Y for Cartwright Elementary 5th and 6th Grade Students on April 20-22, 2015
12. Approval of Proposed New School Psychologist Evaluation Tool
13. Approval of Retirement of Certified Employees
14. Approval of Resignation of Certified Employees
15. Approval of Changes to Substitute Roster
16. Our adopted rules of Parliamentary Procedure provide for a Consent Agenda listing several items for approval of the Board by a single motion. Items listed under the Consent Agenda have gone through a review and recommendation process. Documentation concerning these items has been provided to all Board Members and the public in advance to assure an extensive and thorough review. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of any Board Member.

Resolution: Adoption of Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by: Lydia Hernandez, second by Rosa Cantu.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Pedro Lopez, Denice Garcia, Lydia Hernandez, John V Gomez, Rosa Cantu

G. Other Action Items:

None

H. Other Information/Discussion Items

1. Request(s) for Future Agenda Item(s) as information/discussion at a future meeting

Mr. Lopez requested that we provided policies; BIBA, BIB and BEOH for review and possible changes. He stated that the policies relate to school Board Governance. Dr. Chávez stated first reading for those polices would take place at the April 8, 2015 Governing Board Meeting.

2. Consideration of Future Dates for Special Meeting/Governing Board Retreat - Dr. Chavez

Dr. Chavez asked the Board to consider the dates and times provided on this item for a future Board Retreat.

The Board agreed to April 2, 2015 as a primary and April 16, 2015 as a secondary.

I. Announcement(s) of future meeting date and other routine information concerning the Governing Board.

1. The next Regular Governing Board Meeting with Executive Session will be held on Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cartwright School District Board Room - Mr. Lopez

Mr. Lopez informed everyone of the next Governing Board Meeting, which would take place on April 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Cartwright School District Board Room located at 5220 W Indian School Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85031.

J. Call to go into Executive Session

1. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 A. (3) - Discussion or Consultation for Legal Advice with the Attorney of the Public Body Regarding Confidentiality of District Communications and Open Meeting Law Restrictions - Board Members

District Legal Council, Anthony Contente Cuomo advised the Board to exit to executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431-.03 A. (3) discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney of the public body.

The Board exited to enter into Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

Mr. Contente Cuomo exited Executive Session at 9:00 p.m.

2. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 A. (2) - Discussion or Consideration of Records Exempt by Law from Public Inspection, Including the Receipt and Discussion of Information or Testimony that is Specifically Required to be Maintained as Confidential by State or Federal Law - Board Members

The Board exited Executive Session at 9:40 p.m.

K. Resumption of Regular Meeting

The Board resumed the regular meeting at 9:40 p.m.

L. Adjournment

1. Adjournment - Mr. Lopez

Recommendation to adjourn the March 11, 2015 Regular Meeting with Executive Session.

Motion by Lydia Hernandez, second by John V Gomez.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Pedro Lopez, Lydia Hernandez, John V Gomez, Rosa Cantu

Not Present at Vote: Denice Garcia

Mr. Lopez adjourned the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

Denice Garcia, Vice President