



YOUNG SCHOOL DISTRICT#5

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YOUNG PUBLIC SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Monday, December 11, 2023, 6:00 PM - Young Public School Board Room – Red Brick

(THE GOVERNING BOARD MAY CONSIDER ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IN ANY ORDER AND AT ANY TIME DURING THE MEETING)

Roll Call: Present
Sara Bunce, President

Present
Linda Chapman, Member

Present
Dean Bell, Member

Present
Polly Hageman, Member

Present
James Bruzzi, Member

AGENDA

- 1) Call to Order – by S. Bunce at 6 PM
- 2) Adoption of Agenda* Moved by J. Bruzzi, seconded by P. Hageman, carried unanimously
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance – lead by S. Bunce
- 4) Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting October 12 moved to approve by D. Bell, seconded by S. Bunce, carried unanimously; Regular Meeting November 13, 2023, Special Meeting November 30, 2023 moved to approve by L. Chapman, seconded by J. Bruzzi, carried 4-0 with D. Bell abstaining
- 5) Reports:
 - a) PTO Board Member Report – Julee Recker reported on the successful events held this year and the fact that PTO is making a \$1000 donation to the Pre-school playground. She also announced a new Board member: Michelle Ryley. The PTO Board has openings for other officers, including President, because Julee is resigning. The Board thanked the PTO for the donation and will officially accept it at their next meeting.
 - b) Teacher Report – Rebecca Fuller shared the highlights from the classrooms which included end of semester/quarter testing, the Living Wax Museum event was a big hit, the recent incentive field-trip to Out of Africa, and the Spelling Bee right after returning in January. Ms. Fuller shared that the Out of Africa made a point to explain how happy they were to host our students; they were very well behaved!
 - c) Administrator Report – Superintendent O'Donnell reported an enrollment of 59, including the special population from Colcord, which is currently learning from home, but will be attending in person beginning January 8, 2024. He also clarified the rumor that he was leaving, by explaining that due to Mrs. O'Donnell's diagnosis, they sold their home and are working to develop their other property with a single story home, but are currently living in an RV at Valley View Park. Mr. O'Donnell explained about the \$2500 grant earned by Science Teacher Debby Remy. The APS grant is for creating and developing an orchard near the greenhouse. A majority of the funds will be spent on elk-proof fencing and trees. Some people have already offered to donate trees from their own orchard or new ones. The greenhouse class has already been out measuring and planning. Those students meeting or exceeding their Accelerated Reading goals earned a field-trip to Out of Africa, which occurred on Friday, December 8, 2023. He also reported on the Wax Museum and

the Christmas Program coming on Wednesday, December 13, 2023. He also gave a heads up regarding student and staff illness trends as well as the coming APS power outages and the potential effects of those two things on the possibility of “learn from home.”

6) Call to Public – Public comments or concerns may be heard, but no Board Action may occur – There were no requests to speak.

7) Action Items:

a) Discussion/Action – Board approval of the Monthly Financial Reports* Moved by P. Hageman, seconded by L. Chapman, carried unanimously

b) Discussion/Action – Voucher Ratification: Payroll Vouchers 10 & 11 and Expense Vouchers 2408* Moved by L. Chapman, seconded by J. Bruzzi, carried unanimously

c) Discussion/Action – Board may vote to discuss an Employee Contract Concern in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. Sec. 38-431.03(A)(1)* - The employee opted for Open Session, so there was no Executive Session. Superintendent O'Donnell gave a brief history of why this decision came to the Board and the actions taken by the Board so far. He also explained the lack of information from the attorney. He then recommended that the Board retroactively pay the employee for the additional hours at the same rate for others of \$2414. He further recommended that the Board adjust the current year salary amount to include the \$2414 carried forward plus an additional 5% on that amount (\$121), which would make the current contract correct based upon the process used for every other employee last year for this year.

d) Discussion/Action – Board may take action based upon discussion in Executive Session regarding an Employee Contract Concern* D. Bell moved to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board retroactively pay the employee for the additional hours at the same rate for others of \$2414. He further recommended that the Board adjust the current year salary amount to include the \$2414 carried forward plus an additional 5% on that amount (\$121), which would make the current contract correct based upon the process used for every other employee last year for this year, seconded by J. Bruzzi, carried unanimously.

e) Discussion/Action – Board will consider approval of the District FY 24 Classroom Site Fund/Prop 301 Plan as presented by the Teacher 301 Committee.* Moved by L. Chapman, seconded by P. Hageman, carried unanimously

f) Discussion/Action – Board will consider approving an Incentive Gift from Quality First for the Pre-School.* Moved to accept the incentive money by S. Bunce, seconded by J. Bruzzi, carried unanimously.

g) Discussion/Action – Board will consider participating in a Self-Evaluation per Board Policy* The Board participated in discussions of each portion of the self-evaluation form. They generated a compilation document for the official Board Minutes.

8) Adjournment* Moved at 7:48 PM by J. Bruzzi, seconded by P. Hageman, carried unanimously

*Action Item

As authorized by ARS 38:431.03, this public body, upon majority vote, may choose to convene in an executive session for the purpose of discussing items allowed by law. Upon official notice the officer, appointee, or employee may choose to hold discussion and/or consideration in open meeting. No final action can or shall be taken in the executive session. Items of business suggested by employees and patrons of the District will notify the Superintendent of the particular item of business at least four working days before the Board meeting (Young Public School Policy Manual- Policy BEDBA).

Attendees: _____

Minutes Approval

January 7, 2024 *Linda Chapman*
7/17/24