

**MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
FOR THE FOWLER SCHOOL DISTRICT #45
1617 SOUTH 67TH AVENUE
PHOENIX, ARIZONA
May 19, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER The Governing Board meeting was called to order by Mrs. Eastburn at 4.02p.m.

OPENING OF MEETING:
Roll Call

Mrs. Peggy Eastburn was present and Ms. Francisca Montoya telephonically conferenced in the meeting. Mr. Ignacio Fernandez telephonically entered meeting at 4:13p.m. during the action item number C.1.

Others Present

Nora Ulloa, Rick Conrad, Marco Ruiz, Chad Ostrom, Matthew Stewart, Kristi Stewart, Matthew Camacho, Chris Gooden, Cindy Bradley, Andrew Tippins, Angie Krenkel, Veronica Sanchez, Yvette Ortiz, Elizabeth Camu, Doris Randles, Pattie Campos, Deborah Riley, Leticia Valenzuela, Laura Lozoya, Jennifer Quirk, Rebecca Osorio, Robert Altavilla, Christina Anaya, Vince Medina, Jonathan Short, Helen Nance, Isaura Bencomo, Enoch Davis, Lane Blake and Lisa Valencia. Cheryl Miller listened in the meeting telephonically.

Board Member Ms. Montoya

Ms. Montoya asked that board members be contacted for their availability for Special Board Meetings. She stated that she was not contacted for her availability for this board meeting by either phone, email or text. She likes to attend board meetings in- person and that she be contacted for her availability in the future. She stated that this was outside of protocol and asked that it does not happen again because she likes to attend in-person.

Approve Agenda

There was a motion made by Ms. Montoya, seconded by Mrs. Eastburn to approve the agenda for May 19, 2022 as presented.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Ms. Montoya, Mr. Fernandez

ACTION ITEMS:

Recommendation to Approve Christina Anaya Cohn to be Named to the Position of Principal of Tuscano Elementary School for the 2022-2023 School Year

Ms. Ulloa went over extensively over the experience and qualifications of Christina Cohn. Ms. Montoya asked questions about Christina Cohn and Ms. Ulloa answered her questions. Ms. Montoya asked if Ms. Cohn is bilingual. Ms. Ulloa said she understands Spanish but is not bilingual. Board members had a discussion regarding Christina Cohn and the interview process. Marco Ruiz assisted telephonically with some discussion regarding C1 between board members to clarify communications being stated.

Ms. Montoya made a motion to table this item and Mr. Fernandez and Mrs. Eastburn disagreed. Mrs. Eastburn and Mr. Fernandez called for a vote to approve this action item and called for a vote. There was a motion made by Mrs. Eastburn, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Christina Anaya Cohn to be Named to the position of Principal of Tuscano Elementary School for the 2022-2023 School Year as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez

Nay: Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve Christopher Gooden to be

Ms. Montoya asked Ms. Ulloa that she submitted a list of concerns and questions regarding this item. And that Ms. Ulloa had not responded to her list. Ms. Ulloa

Named to the Position of
Finance Director

said she did not recall a list and that they had multiple conversations and correspondence about this topic. And Ms. Ulloa apologized but did not recall a list and said she would think that if Ms. Montoya did not hear back from her that Ms. Montoya would have followed up. Ms. Montoya said she gave the hand-written list to Lisa last month or so to give to Ms. Ulloa. Then Ms. Montoya asked to question Mr. Gooden about his direct experience building a school district budget, Payroll, and Accounts Payable. Mr. Gooden went over his experience in all of the areas that Ms. Montoya asked for and she had no other questions.

There was a motion made by Mrs. Eastburn, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Christopher Gooden to be Named to the Position of Finance Director as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez

Nay: Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve
Personnel Actions Submitted as
Attached Under FMLA or
Leave

There was a motion made by Ms. Montoya, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Personnel Actions Submitted as Attached Under FMLA or Leave as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez, Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve
Personnel Actions submitted as
Attached Under Temporary
Assignments

There was a motion made by Ms. Montoya, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Personnel Actions submitted as Attached Under Temporary Assignments as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez, Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve
Personnel Actions Submitted as
Attached Under Changes

Ms. Montoya stated that promotions need to go to the board as action items. Ms. Ulloa said that legal counsel approved this item being placed as an action item or consent item. Ms. Montoya wanted to table this item. Mrs. Eastburn disagreed and wanted to move forward to approve this item. Ms. Montoya said she was going to consult with legal counsel regarding this item.

There was a motion made by Mrs. Eastburn, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Personnel Actions Submitted as Attached Under Changes as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez

Nay: Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve
Personnel Actions Submitted as
Attached Under Transfers

There was a motion made by Ms. Montoya, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Personnel Actions Submitted as Attached Under Transfers as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez, Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve
Personnel Actions Submitted as
Attached Under Separations

There was a motion made by Ms. Montoya, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Personnel Actions Submitted as Attached Under Separations as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez, Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve
Personnel Actions Submitted as
Attached Under New Hires

Ms. Montoya questioned the Technology position. Ms. Ulloa stated that it was already an existing position. And Mr. Conrad confirmed it was previously already approved and as stated it was just refilling previously open positions. There was a motion made by Mrs. Eastburn, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Recommendation to Approve Personnel Actions Submitted as Attached Under New Hires as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez
Nay: Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve Jonathan Short to be Named to the Position of Principal of Santa Maria Middle School for the 2022-2023 School Year

Ms. Ulloa went over Mr. Short's experience and qualifications. Ms. Montoya asked who was on the interviewing committees, how many applicants were interviewed and what skills does Mr. Short possess that are going to benefit the staff and the families? Mrs. Eastburn said she was on the interviewing committee and he was the best candidate for this position. She also said that Mr. Short would be a great asset to Santa Maria Middle School. Ms. Montoya asked if Mr. Short is bilingual? Ms. Montoya asked if the Assistant Principal is bilingual. Ms. Ulloa said there is not an Assistant Principal slotted for next year. Although, we could look into a future position that could be filled with a bilingual person. Ms. Ulloa went over again Mr. Short's experience and skills and that he was the best suited for this position. There was a motion made by Mrs. Eastburn, seconded by Mr. Fernandez to Approve Jonathan Short to be named to the position of Principal of Santa Maria Middle School for the 2022-2023 School Year as presented.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Mr. Fernandez
Nay: Ms. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve Helen Nance as Teacher on Special Assignment for the 2022-2023 School Year

Ms. Montoya stated this was a new position and would like to move this item to the June board meeting. Mr. Fernandez asked if the Job Description could be provided at the June board meeting and to postpone this item. There was a motion made by Mr. Fernandez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to postpone Helen Nance as Teacher on Special Assignment for the 2022-2023 School Year move to next month as presented.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mr. Fernandez, Ms. Montoya
Nay: Mrs. Eastburn

Board Member Ms. Montoya

Ms. Montoya asked Mrs. Eastburn to schedule a meeting with our legal counsel to discuss the action items in today's meeting. Mrs. Eastburn said she will look into it and get back to her.

Adjournment

There was a motion made by Mr. Fernandez, seconded by Ms. Montoya to adjourn the meeting.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Eastburn, Ms. Montoya, Mr. Fernandez
Mrs. Eastburn adjourned the meeting at 4:51 p.m.

Governing Board Member

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