

MARICOPA COUNTY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
Tuesday, June 21, 3:30 PM
4041 N. Central Ave., Suite 1200
Phoenix, Arizona, 85012

- I. **Call to Order** **Superintendent Steve Watson**
Meeting called to order at 3:34 pm
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance** **Superintendent Steve Watson**
- III. **Approval of Agenda (Action Item)** **Superintendent Steve Watson**
Agenda approved
- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes (Action Item)** **Superintendent Steve Watson**
a. Tuesday, April 12, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Governing Board
Minutes approved
- V. **Public Comments** **Superintendent Steve Watson**
Members of the community may address any item, not on the agenda. State statute prohibits the Governing Board from discussing items, not on the agenda but, the Board may listen to concerns and can request staff follow up on any questions. Public comments are limited to 3 minutes in length. Anyone wishing to address the Board must complete a comment form prior to the beginning of the meeting. Forms are available at the front desk. Requests should be delivered to the Clerk of the Board prior to the beginning of the meeting.
No public comment forms were submitted. No public present.
- VI. **Governing Board Statements** **Superintendent Steve Watson**
The Board may make general statements. No action will be taken on these statements at this meeting.
No comments currently.
- VII. **Action Items** **Deputy Superintendent Laurie King**
- a) School Closure - It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the closure of Esperanza Prep, CTDS 07-01-99-009, Entity ID, 549878
Superintendent Watson expressed his regrets for having to make this decision.
Board voted unanimously to close Esperanza Prep.
- b) Hiring - It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the hiring of the following:
Daryl Sims (Reach Associate, Durango)
Marcellous Lovelace (Music Teacher, Durango)
Ruby Reyes (Teacher Associate, Hope Academy)
Hunter Pabst (Reach Associate, Hope Academy)
Superintendent Watson welcomed these new staff members to MCRSD.
Board voted unanimously to approve hires.
- c) Resignations - It is recommended that the Governing Board accept the resignations from the following:
Stefanie Hartzler (Teacher-Leader, Esperanza)
Ashley Martin (Teacher-Leader, Esperanza)
Joshua Meibos (Teacher-Leader, Esperanza)
Michele Rutin (Teacher-Leader, Esperanza)
Tiffanie Gilbert (Teacher-Leader, Hope)
Andrew Klunk (Teacher-Leader, Hope)
Daniel Zehring (Teacher-Leader, Hope)

Shee'Kna Wycoff (Reach Associate, Durango)

Willie Carter (Reach Associate, Durango)

Ellen Mari (Teacher-Leader, Durango)

Joanne Eichhorst (Central Office)

Superintendent Watson thanked each staff member for their service.

Board voted unanimously to approve resignations.

- d) Business Manager Job Description - It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the updated job description for Business Manager.

Board voted unanimously to approve job description.

- e) Gifts and Donations - It is recommended that the Governing Board accept the following items:

- a. Midwest Food Bank
- b. PVUMC
- c. Yolanda Montoya and Friends
- d. Midwest Food Bank
- e. Wendy Lieberman
- f. Michelle Mondragon
- g. Pappas Kids
- h. Pappas Kids
- i. Pam Pooley

Superintendent Watson thanked each donor for their support of our students.

Board voted unanimously to approve the gifts and donations.

- f) Grants - It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the following grants:

- a. A for Arizona, Pre-Apprentice Program, \$400,000.00
- b. AZ On Track/Governor's Office, Summer Camp, \$36,000.00

Board voted unanimously to approve the grants.

VIII. Informational Reports

- g) AZ On Track Summer Camp. Presented by Director of District Projects and Resource Development Dina Cutler

- a. **Project-based learning encourages students to make deep cross-curricular connections using the Hope garden as our focus topic**
- b. **Differentiated lessons provide accessible, hands-on learning opportunities for all students. Small class sizes provide more opportunities for 1-1 student assistance and 30-minute rotations keep students engaged.**

- i. **Community Focused English Class**
- ii. **Embedding Math into Edible Garden Proposals**
- iii. **Urban Farming Education**
- iv. **Exploring Digital Community**
- v. **Weekly field trips to community gardens, farms, and Biosphere II**

- h) Facility updates. Presented by Assistant Superintendent Dr. Michael Stewart

- a. **Esperanza:**
 - i. **Continuing to relocate school district assets from the campus to the district warehouse or Hope.**
- b. **Hope:**
 - i. **Light renovations to accommodate teacher collaboration areas.**

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:58 pm

