

**Tucson Unified School District No. 1
Governing Board Regular Meeting
Board Room, Morrow Education Center
1010 East Tenth Street
Tucson, Arizona 85719**

**May 13, 2008
6:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present:

Alex Rodriguez, President
Adelita S. Grijalva, Clerk
Bruce Burke, Member
Judy Burns, Member – left at 10:28 p.m.
Joel T. Ireland, Member – left at 10:25 p.m.
Maggie Sanchez, Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC) Liaison

Also Present:

Roger F. Pfeuffer, Superintendent
Patricia Lopez, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent/Chief Academic Officer
Beatriz Rendon, Chief Executive Officer
Steve Holmes, Assistant Superintendent, Teaching and Learning
Albert Siqueiros, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
Rob Ross, Legal Counsel
Nancy Woll, Legal Counsel
James Fish, Principal Supervisor
Maggie Shafer, Principal Supervisor
Ross Sheard, Principal Supervisor
Susan Wybraniec, Executive Director, Human Resources
Rudy Flores, Interim Executive Director, Engineering, Facilities and Planning
Lorraine St. Germain, Executive Director, Exceptional Education
Chyrl Lander, Director, Communications and Media Relations
Bonnie Betz, Director, Financial Services
David Scott, Director, Accountability and Research
Augustine Romero, Director, Mexican American/Raza Studies
Lisa Long, Director, Curriculum and Innovation
Pam Palmo, Director, Food Services
Sheila Baize, Director, Interscholastics
Bill Ball, Ombudsperson, Transportation
Jennifer Sprung, Sponsor, Superintendent's Student Advisory Council
Mary Alice Wallace, Director of Staff Services to the Governing Board
Sylvia Lovegreen, Senior Staff Assistant II to the Governing Board
Mark Stegeman, Member, TUSD Audit Committee
Steve Courter, President, Tucson Education Association
Patrick Whelan, Moderator, School Community Partnership Council
Phil Brenfleck, Board Liaison, School Community Partnership Council
Mary Belle McCorkle, Ed.D., Chair, TUSD Budget Override Exploratory Committee
Shirley Kiser, Executive Director, Opening Minds Through the Arts (OMA) Foundation
Bruce Slabaugh, President, AFSCME Local 449
Rhonda Bodfield, Arizona Daily Star
Mary Bustamante, Tucson Citizen
TV Channel 4 & 9

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REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – 6:48 p.m.

No action required.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Maggie Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No action required.

INFORMATION ITEM

1. Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC) Report

Information only.
No action required.

Maggie Sanchez presented the final report of the school year and advised that new SSAC officers had been elected.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

No action required.

Roger Pfeuffer stated that there was no report to be presented but commented that he attended the Raza Studies and Native American Studies Student Award Ceremonies.

BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

No action required.

Joel Ireland reported that he and Adelita Grijalva attended the Pan Asian Student Awards Dinner. Adelita Grijalva commented that all board members will be handing out diplomas at next week's graduation ceremonies. Alex Rodriguez mentioned his experience sitting on a panel with award-winning fifth graders at Lineweaver Elementary School.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No action required.

The following persons spoke:

Laura Leighton – Expressed concerns about American children reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in another language;

Joe Sweeney – Stated his agreement with Laura Leighton (above) and expressed concerns about educating students who are in the United States illegally;

Becky Taylor – Requested reconsideration of the positions being cut in 28 elementary schools;

Robin Hiller – Spoke in support of a budget override election to make sure children get the education they deserve;

Bruce Slabaugh – Stated his support for a budget override election and urged the Board not to be hasty in implementing budget cuts that negatively impact employees;

Cyrus Miller – Requested that the dual school principal program not be implemented;

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CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (continued)

Carol Gaddis – Commented that cutting the 28 positions in elementary schools will compromise students' safety and attendance;

Myrna Quintana – Expressed concerns about student safety if attendance clerk positions are cut;

Calvin Rushing – Stated his concerns about the elimination of the Imaging Service Shop employee classification;

Ann-Eve Pedersen – Urged the Board to vote for an override election and to consider the safety perspective related to attendance clerk positions;

Paul Eckerstrom – Spoke in support of an override election;

Kristin Sohoel-Smith – Requested reconsideration of removing attendance clerks as a budget-cutting measure;

Leslie Franzblau – Expressed concerns about cutting audiovisual tech positions;

Steve Courter – Reiterated Tucson Education Association's support for an override election;

James Baker – Urged support for the override election;

Ruth Argraves – Expressed concerns about reduced working hours and the impact on salaries.

Individuals whose names were called but were not present: **Kevin Keller, Frank Antenori, Tracy Canter.**

INFORMATION ITEMS (continued)

2. School Community Partnership Council (SCPC) Report

Information only.
No action required.

Patrick Whelan reported on parent visits to the State Legislature, expressed the desire of parents to work with the new superintendent, asked that the Board share progress on implementing MGT audit recommendations, mentioned SCPC officers for next year and briefly outlined a process for an upcoming board candidate forum.

3. Presentation on FY 2008 Budget Status and Update on FY 2009 Budget Development

Information only.
No action required.

Roger Pfeuffer, Beatriz Rendon, and Bonnie Betz provided information and responded to comments and questions from Adelita Grijalva, Bruce Burke, Judy Burns, Joel Ireland and Alex Rodriguez.

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INFORMATION ITEMS (continued)

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| 4. | Presentation by the TUSD Budget Override Exploratory Committee | Information only.
No action required. |
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Roger Pfeuffer introduced Dr. Mary Belle McCorkle who presented information on the Committee's work and its recommendation that an Override Oversight Committee be organized to monitor the implementation of the override. Bruce Burke commented.

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| 5. | Summary of District-Wide Gifts and Donations and Student Activity Fund for the Ten Months Ending April 30, 2008 | Information only.
No action required. |
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Roger Pfeuffer and Bonnie Betz responded to comments and questions from Judy Burns and Alex Rodriguez.

CONSENT AGENDA

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| 6. | a) Salaried New Hires for the 2007-2008 SY
b) Hourly New Hires for the 2007-2008 SY
c) Classified Personnel New Hires for Food Services Department for the 2007-2008 SY
e) Hourly Changes for the 2007-2008 SY
h) Letters of Assurance for Exempt Coordinators for the 2008-2009 SY
i) Temporary Contracts to Regular Contracts for the 2008-2009 SY
j) Teachers Hired Through Teacher Pool Process for the 2008-2009 SY
k) Salaried Separations for the 2007-2008 SY
l) Hourly Separations for the 2007-2008 SY
m) Classified Personnel Separations for Food Services Department for the 2007-2008 SY
n) Requests for Leave of Absence for Certified Personnel
o) Requests for Leave of Absence for Classified Personnel
p) Requests for Leave of Absence from Classified Personnel Recommended for Denial
q) Requests for Released Time
s) Increase Grant Related Travel Budget
t) Statement of Assurances for 2008-2009
u) Appoint Acting Risk Manager as the District Representative to the Arizona School Risk Retention Trust, Inc. | Adelita Grijalva moved approval of Item Nos. 6 (a-c), (e), (h-q), (s-ac), (ae-aj), and (al-au); Judy Burns seconded.
Approved unanimously. |
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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

6. v) Funding Proposal – Arizona Nutrition Network Contributing Partner Program for FY 2009, October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009, with Authorization for the Director of Food Services to be the Authorized Organization Representative
- w) Funding Proposal – Qwest/Arizona Technology in Education Alliance (AzTEA) Classroom Technology Integration Grant, Brichta Elementary School, with Authorization for the Contracts Manager to Execute the Documents Necessary to Accept this Award
- x) Affiliation Agreement between Carondelet Health Network/Morrison Healthcare Food Services and Tucson Unified School District for Participation in the Carondelet/Morrison Dietetic Internship Program (continuation), for Renewal on an Annual Basis, with Authorization for the Director of Food Services to Execute the Agreement
- y) Intergovernmental Agreement between the University of Arizona Department of Nutritional Sciences and Tucson Unified School District for the Arizona Nutrition Network Program, October 2008 through September 2009 (Booth-Fickett and Drachman Primary Magnet Schools; Mission View, Safford, and Wheeler Elementary Schools; Hohokam, Mansfeld, Naylor, Pistor, Safford and Utterback Middle Schools)
- z) Agreement between the Assistance League of Tucson, Inc., and Tucson Unified School District for *Operation School Bell*, with Authorization for the Superintendent to Execute the Agreement (Borman, Cavett, Corbett, Davidson, Hollinger, Lynn/Urquides, Menlo Park, Pueblo Gardens, Roberts, Rogers, Van Buskirk and Wright Elementary Schools; and the Southwest Family Education Center)
- aa) Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Tucson and Tucson Unified School District for Improvements to and Utilization of Recreational Facilities at Grijalva Elementary School, Effective for 25 Years from the Date of Execution

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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

6. ab) Intergovernmental Agreements between Pima Community College and Tucson Unified School District for *Upward Bound Program Grant*, December 1, 2007 through November 30, 2011 (Palo Verde High Magnet School and Rincon and Santa Rita High Schools), with Authorization for the Superintendent to Execute the Agreements
- ac) Intergovernmental Agreement between the Pima County Joint Technological Education District (JTED) and Tucson Unified School District, July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, with Authorization for the Superintendent to Execute the Agreement
- ae) Award of Food Services Bid No. 08BR – Bread, July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, awarded to Old Country-Bimbo Bakeries USA and Holsum Bakery, Inc., in the amount of \$410,000.00
- af) Award of Food Services Bid No. 08FR2 – Frozen Food Items, Group 2, June 1, 2008 through May 31, 2009, awarded to Malone Meat & Poultry; Shamrock Foods; SA Piazza & Associates, LLC; World Wide Foods; and Epicurean Foods in the amount of \$785,655.00
- ag) Award of Food Services Bid No. 08SM – Fruit Smoothie Beverage, June 1, 2008 through May 31, 2011, awarded to Island Oasis Frozen Beverage Company, Inc. in the amount of \$272,300.00
- ah) Award of Bid No. 08-109-08 – Pistor Middle School Upgrades and Renovations (bond), awarded to Durazo Construction Corporation in the amount of \$511,504.00 which includes the Base Bid, Alternate Bid No. 1 and a contingency of 10%
- ai) Award of Bid No. 08-110-08 – Howenstine Magnet High School Upgrades and Renovations (bond), awarded to Merit Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$327,216.00 which includes the Base Bid and a contingency of 10%
- aj) Award of Bid No. 09-13-09 – Paper Supply Items for TUSD Warehouse Stock, 2008-2009, awarded to Lofgreen's, Inc.; Pyramid School Products; Quill Corporation; Ricoh America Corporation; School Specialty; Windtree Enterprises, Inc.; and Xerox Corporation in the amount of \$309,000.00

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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 6. al) Award of Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 09-04-13 – Life Insurance and AD&D, Voluntary Benefits Plans and Enrollment System. Life Insurance and Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) Contract awarded to The Hartford in the Amount of \$350,000.00. (A vendor has not yet been determined for award for the Voluntary Benefit Plans and Enrollment Systems portion.)
- am) Easement Agreement with SJV & Associates, LLC, for Water at Cholla High Magnet School, with Authorization for the District Planner to Execute the Agreement
- an) Easement Agreement with Tucson Electric Power Company for Right-of-Way at Cherry Field, with Authorization for the District Planner to Execute the Agreement
- ao) Easement Agreement with Trico Electric Co-op, Inc., for Additional Service at Vesey Elementary School, with Authorization for the District Planner to execute the Agreement
- ap) Easement Agreement with Tucson Water for Additional Service at Valencia Middle School, with Authorization for the District Planner to Execute the Agreement
- aq) Plans and Specifications, Catalina Magnet High School Fire Alarm Replacement, with Authorization to Advertise for Sealed Bids
- ar) Plans and Specifications, Catalina Magnet High School Parking Lot Renovation, with Authorization to Advertise for Sealed Bids
- as) Plans and Specifications, Hohokam Middle School Upgrades and Renovations (bond), with Authorization to Advertise for Sealed Bids
- at) Minutes of Tucson Unified School District Governing Board Meetings
 - 1. Regular Board Meeting, February 12, 2008
 - 2. Special Board Meeting, February 16, 2008, Reconvened February 21, 2008
 - 3. Special Board Meeting, February 25, 2008
 - 4. Special Board Meeting, February 26, 2008
 - 5. Special Board Meeting, February 27, 2008
 - 6. Special Board Meeting, March 3, 2008
 - 7. Special Board Meeting, March 4, 2008
 - 8. Special Board Meeting, March 11, 2008
 - 9. Regular Board Meeting, March 11, 2008
 - 10. Special Board Meeting, March 12, 2008

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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

6. au) Ratification of salary and non-salary vouchers for the period beginning April 1, 2008, and ending April 30, 2008

Roger Pfeuffer recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

Requests to consider specific Consent Agenda items separately: Judy Burns 6 (g), (r), and (ak); Adelita Grijalva 6 (d), and (f); Alex Rodriguez 6 (ad).

6. d) Salaried Changes for the 2007-2008 SY

In response to questions from Adelita Grijalva and Judy Burns, Albert Siqueiros and Sue Wybraniec provided additional information.

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

- f) Administrative Changes for the 2008-2009 SY

Roger Pfeuffer and Sue Wybraniec provided information in response to inquiries from Adelita Grijalva.

Bruce Burke moved approval; Alex Rodriguez seconded. Motion failed 4-1. Judy Burns, Adelita Grijalva, Joel Ireland and Alex Rodriguez voted no.

At the end of the Board's discussion and action on all Consent Agenda items, Roger Pfeuffer and Sue Wybraniec returned to this item to offer further explanation of its purpose. Rob Ross provided legal advice and Adelita Grijalva and Alex Rodriguez commented.

Based upon further explanation of this item, Joel Ireland moved to reconsider it; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

Bruce Burke then moved approval of the original item; Joel Ireland seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

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CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

6. g) Letters of Assurance for Classified Administrators for the 2008-2009 SY

Judy Burns commented. In response to a request from Roger Pfeuffer, Sue Wybraniec provided additional information.

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

- r) Requests for Released Time and Travel Expenses

Judy Burns and Adelita Grijalva commented.

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.

- ad) Intergovernmental Agreement between the University of Arizona and Tucson Unified School District for the Management of Cooper Environmental Center, July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011

In response to comments and questions from Alex Rodriguez, Steve Holmes provided additional information.

Judy Burns moved approval; Alex Rodriguez seconded. Approved unanimously.

- ak) Award of Bid No. 09-29-13 – As Needed Portable Classroom Relocating and Set-Up Services for the Next Five Years to Silverado Modular Erectors and ASR Transport in the amount of \$135,000.00

Rudy Flores provided a response to comments and questions from Judy Burns.

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING – 9:12 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – Final Revision of the FY 2007-2008 Tucson Unified School District Annual Expenditure Budget in Accordance with A.R.S. §15-905

Bonnie Betz provided an overview of the final revision of the FY 2007-2008 budget. Members of the public speaking during the public hearing were **Mary Schiltz** and **Lynn Urides**. Alex Rodriguez commented.

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RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING – 9:23 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

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| 7. Final Revision of the FY 2007-2008 Tucson Unified School District Annual Expenditure Budget in Accordance with A.R.S. §15-905 | Joel Ireland moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-0. Judy Burns was not present for the vote. |
| 8. Notice Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-544 – Reduction of Salaries

Roger Pfeuffer provided information; Adelita Grijalva commented. | Joel Ireland moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 4-0. Judy Burns was not present for the vote. |
| 9. Consider, and If Deemed Advisable, to Order and Call a Budget Override Election to Be Held in and for the Tucson Unified School District on November 4, 2008

Roger Pfeuffer provided information and responded to comments and questions from Board Members Judy Burns, Joel Ireland, Bruce Burke, and Alex Rodriguez. | Joel Ireland moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously. |
| 10. Selection of an Alternate Representative to the Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) Delegate Assembly

Joel Ireland volunteered to serve as alternate representative. Bruce Burke and Adelita Grijalva commented. | Judy Burns moved to select Joel Ireland; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously. |

STUDY/ACTION ITEMS

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| 11. Waiver of Policy Code No. IKF – <i>Graduation Requirements</i> , to Include Issuing a Certificate of Completion

Roger Pfeuffer explained the purpose of the waiver. | Judy Burns moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously. |
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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (continued)

12. Governing Board Audit Committee Charter (Revised)
- Roger Pfeuffer and Mark Stegeman (in his role as a member of the Audit Committee) responded to comments and questions from Board Members Joel Ireland, Judy Burns, Alex Rodriguez, Adelita Grijalva and Bruce Burke.
- During the discussion of this item, Joel Ireland requested two corrections to the Charter: (1) Page 2, fifth paragraph under *Duties and Responsibilities* would read “The Audit Committee, in consultation with the Governing Board, may have access....” and (2) Page 3, first sentence of first paragraph under *External Auditors* would read “The Audit Committee oversees TUSD’s engagement....”
- Joel Ireland moved approval to include the two corrections; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved unanimously.
13. Strategic Administrative Reassignments and Transfers Due to Financial Constraints
- Roger Pfeuffer presented information and he and Sue Wybraniec responded to board members’ comments and questions. Judy Burns, Adelita Grijalva, Alex Rodriguez, Joel Ireland and Bruce Burke commented and/or asked questions.
- Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Joel Ireland seconded. Approved 4-1. Judy Burns voted no.
14. Meal Price Increases for Full Pay Meal Program Participants for the 2008-2009 SY
- Pam Palmo provided background information on this item.
- Judy Burns moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved unanimously.
15. Proposal to Increase Participation Fees for High School Extracurricular, Fine Arts and Athletic Activities; and to Add a Participation Fee for Middle School Extracurricular Activities
- Sheila Baize provided information and responded to comments and questions from Joel Ireland, Judy Burns and Alex Rodriguez.
- Judy Burns moved approval; Joel Ireland seconded. Approved unanimously.
16. Advanced Placement Textbooks – Social Studies
- Roger Pfeuffer recommended approval and Steve Holmes provided information in response to comments and questions from Adelita Grijalva.
- Judy Burns moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 4-0. Joel Ireland was not present for the vote.

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STUDY/ACTION ITEMS (continued)

17. New Middle and High School Courses for the 2008-2009 SY

Roger Pfeuffer and Lisa Long provided information.

Judy Burns moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 4-0. Joel Ireland was not present for the vote.

18. Policy Code No. IHB – *Exceptional Education Programs* (replaces Policy 6800)

Lorraine St. Germain provided a brief explanation of the policy.

(See District Web Page www.tusd1.org to view approved policies.)

Bruce Burke moved approval; Adelita Grijalva seconded. Approved 3-0. Judy Burns and Joel Ireland were not present for the vote.

19. Policy Code No. JH – *Instructional Classes with Activities Outside the School Day* (Redesignated Policy IHB)

Rob Ross commented on this policy.

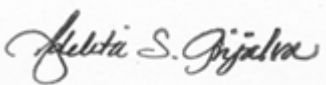
(See District Web Page www.tusd1.org to view approved policies.)

Adelita Grijalva moved approval; Bruce Burke seconded. Approved 3-0. Judy Burns and Joel Ireland were not present for the vote.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED – 10:30 p.m.

Approved this 7th day of October, 2008.

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ONE

By 
Adelita Grijalva, Clerk, Governing Board

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