

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Zieler called the meeting to order: 6:30 pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was led by: Mr. Bradshaw

III. ATTENDANCE

Board Members, President Zieler, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Wenhardt, Mr. Overson and Mr. Wiltbank; Superintendent Mr. Larry Heap; Finance Director Mr. Jacob Boyle; (Finance Director) Mrs. Catherine Patterson; Middle School Principal Mr. Ed Burgoyne; Middle School Asst. Principal Mr. Tim Raban; Maintenance/Transportation Supervisor Mr. Otis Connolly; High School Asst. Principal Mr. Dave Bradshaw and members of the public were in attendance. Coronado School Principal Mr. Bryan Hollembeak, High School Principal Mr. Roger Heap and Board Executive Secretary Mrs. Tanya Sparks were excused from this meeting.

IV. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion/Second to adopt the agenda as outlined

Motion –Mrs. Patterson; 2nd –Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

V. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 5, 2014

Motion/Second to approve the minutes from June 5, 2014

Motion –Mr. Wiltbank; 2nd –Mrs. Patterson; unanimous

VI. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Willie James - Would the board consider incorporating the Navajo School Clothing Program into your school? In this program, they give the Native American's, actually just the Navajo children in the schools, free clothing every school year. All we would need is a letter from the Principals of each school saying how many Navajo students are in their school and that they would like to participate. They would need a contact name. I am one contact and Lenora who's with me tonight is another contact. We are willing to work with the schools. On the reservation they already have this program in progress. We would like you to consider this program. The letters will need to be on letterhead and faxed rather than mailed.

President Zieler thanked them for presenting and said we can't discuss any item not listed on the agenda. What we will do is ask Superintendent Heap to follow up with you to go through this process and find out what needs to happen. Thank you.

VII. STUDENT/STAFF PRESENTATIONS

No presentations

VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION**A. Approval of Support/Contribution for St. Johns Fine Arts Program
FY 2014-2015**

Mrs. Trish Platt - We have really appreciated your support in the past. We brought 4 programs in and 3 of those went into the schools to perform. Very good feedback. We are in the process now of getting a new schedule started. We would want to know if you would like to contribute to this again.

President Zieler asked how much our contribution was last year.

Mrs. Platt - \$2400.

President Zieler asked Mr. Boyle if we have the capacity to do this.

Mr. Boyle – We do.

Mr. Wiltbank said it's a great thing and appreciates all they do to make this happen.

Motion/Second to approve support a contribution in the amount of \$2400 for St. Johns Fine Arts Program for the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion –Mr. Wiltbank; 2nd –Mrs. Patterson; unanimous

B. Public Hearing & Adoption of Budget FY 2014-2015

Mr. Boyle – We approved the proposed budget last meeting. We haven't had any questions or concerns. The public hearing is an opportunity for the public to speak. No changes.

Superintendent Heap recommended approval.

There were no public comments.

Motion/Second to adopt the budget FY 2014-2015

Motion – Mrs. Patterson; 2nd –Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

C. SFB Project – Follow Up/Informational only

Mr. Boyle – This has been an ongoing process. Last month I shared with the board we received \$286,000 approved spending for the survey work. Since then, I've received a second notice that we are now receiving and have been approved for \$673,327 which will fund the repairs on the roof at the auditorium and high school gymnasium. I just wanted to make the board aware of this new addition. No action is required. We already accepted the terms and conditions last meeting.

Mrs. Patterson – We haven't received the funding for the air conditioning units yet correct?

Mr. Boyle – That's correct. That's a separate process we are still working on. This is for the removal of all the roof material and the replacement of it. This includes the cost of replacing our existing units until we come to the conclusion whether we are able to replace the unit. They want us to have somebody out here to show that the air conditioning's currently don't need the capacity to building. We all know that, but we have to have someone professional come out to determine that.

Mr. Overson – So right now this is raising it like you mentioned in the past?

Mr. Boyle – Correct. They are moving out all the material and then raising it the distance between the surface and the roof and air condition units so that water can't run up and down.

Mr. Overson – So when you say replacing, you mean the same ones we have?

Mr. Boyle – The same ones, correct.

Mrs. Patterson - When is this work supposed to start?

Mr. Boyle – Don't know yet. They don't have a scheduled date.

Superintendent Heap – Is there a chance we can get air condition units on that?

Mr. Boyle - There is a possibility. They want design specs from when they were put on and they are first going to pursue the vendor that put them in and find out why inadequate units were installed to begin with. That's the first route they want to go with. If that doesn't pan out then they will consider replacing the units for us.

Superintendent Heap - The units we have on there we have always felt were undersized. For instance, for graduation we start the cooler about 4 days prior to graduation to try to keep it cooled down.

Mr. Boyle – One of the questions last time that was asked was how much the district contribution is. You can see the district funding is 0.00. We are not funding any money for this project. We will contribute any labor that we can afford to from our Maintenance staff but there is no dollar cost to it.

Mr. Overson – As far as going out to find the original vendor, they will do that for us, or is that something we have to do?

Mr. Boyle – We will work together on it. Right now we are trying to get it from our vendor files as well as the original design specs from Otis, if we still have them. At a minimum if we can find the vendor, then they'll go to the vendor and

ask for the design specs. We are providing the information and then SFB will go after the vendor.

Mr. Wiltbank - How old are the units?

Mr. Boyle - Pat Cruz seems to think they were installed about 2007-2008. When he came out to look at them and take pictures of them, he said there is a fresh air exchange damper that may either be all the way open or all the way closed. It may be just a matter of tuning what we have. He said from what he could see on the unit, there wasn't one at all which concerns him. That's why he needs the design specs to find out. He said the unit on the roof does not have a clean air exchange but sometimes they have an air handler up in the attic crawl space that functions as a damper. He needs the design specs to go from there.

Mr. Overson – Appreciates the efforts in going after this money.

Mr. Boyle – On a side note, we had a conference call with Pat Cruz, Catherine and I. Now Catherine has met Pat and is familiar with this.

D. Land Sale/Appraisal or Comparison

Superintendent Heap said if you have had a chance to read the backup, you can see there were several things we had to decide. The first thing was to find out if the board would like to sell that land or not. Then we talked about the 3.57 acres where the current science pond is at the Middle School. It's important to note; we have 8 acres that are unused at this time leaving 4 acres we could have for future growth. We have an offer on the 3.57 acres where the science pond is.

Mr. Overson – So this is just follow up information?

Superintendent Heap said we need to #1 - decide whether the board wants to proceed and sell it. #2 - decide whether you want to have an appraisal done on it or more comparisons provided by Mr. Wilkins/relator.

Mr. Overson – Having read through it and based on our experience in St. Johns with appraisers, sometimes they come from out-of-town and are unpredictable, I like the fact we got reports from our local relators. From my opinion on this subject, looking at the appraisal which is around \$35,000, I think we should seriously consider the offer Mr. Day has given because of the additional contribution he's ready to make. That would be crazy to not at least give it at least very serious consideration and to proceed as you are recommending.

President Zieler – Would this be like a sealed bid?

Mr. Overson – That's one of the options.

President Zieler – So you run the risk of somebody offering \$36,000 with no \$100,000 cash. Nobody would be knocking down the door to do that.

Mr. Overson – We would have to have it on the market for about 12 days according to Mr. Wilkins. Chances are slim somebody would come in and over bid Mr. Day. It's a possibility.

Mr. Boyle – It can be open. It doesn't have to be sealed bids. That's another option. We are recommending listing at the price we set and then entertaining offers at that point. It's not going to be a sealed bid where we have to open it and accept the best offer. We will be able to entertain all offers and make a decision based on that.

President Zieler – But if we go outside, what would be the highest bid? We would have to have justification for that.

Mr. Boyle – At that point, it's open to negotiations. It's just like buying a home. It's all open and public and someone can come in and counter offer.

Mr. Overson – Mr. Day's offer on the table is fair market value right?

Superintendent Heap – Yes and then a donation on top of that.

President Zieler – Sounds like the donation would probably need to be separate.

Mr. Wiltbank – Do we have any future plans for that property?

Mr. Burgoyne – We don't have any future plans. There has been a science pond in the past and we have had problems keeping it going due to drought, etc.

Superintendent Heap – It might be important to note that in my conversation with Mr. Day, he is going to construct a pond and allow students to go there, so we really go from our drought period from having no pond for several years to having a nice pond for all to access. We will have a science pond for use.

Mrs. Patterson – But that could be at his discretion. He could at any time say, never mind, I don't want to do that.

Mr. Wenhardt – What would be the pros on selling it to him?

Superintendent Heap – The main thing is to me, is not the fair market value. If it wasn't for the donation on top of that, I wouldn't think it would be worth selling land that close to our school. Where he's making a substantial donation on top of that, that donation would help to repair our track and help with that project. That's what makes it viable to me.

Mrs. Patterson – So if we have to take the two separately, we could choose not to after we sell the property?

Superintendent Heap – Yes, we would have to have something binding.

President Zieler – That's a good point. These are separate. In discussion before, we talked about fair market value. No one on the board was interested in getting rid of that land for fair market value. It was more valuable for us to keep it. This definitely changes things a little bit. My challenge is that we don't have to sell it, but at the same time, there is a lot of effort that goes on in St. Johns, there are not a lot of beautification efforts. Sounds like Mr. Day has put this money where his mouth is. Last time we said something to him; it was "make an offer we can't refuse". I would love to see something nice like that done. You see what he's done already has been significant. I have to trust that he is going to follow through with us.

Mrs. Patterson – If you put this property up for sale and you list it at a certain price and somebody else comes in, we are stuck selling it for that price.

President Zieler – Do we have to sell?

Mr. Boyle – We don't have to sell. Again, we would have to accept the offer.

President Zieler – So whatever the offer was that came in, we would have to accept it. We are still in control there.

Mr. Boyle – As far as the donation, I don't know why the donation couldn't be accepted for the sale thing. If we know what his offer is we have so long to accept it. Maybe we have to accept the donation prior to the sale being final.

Mr. Wiltbank – If we listed it as \$100,000 for the property does that limit, (inaudible). Tax break?

Mr. Boyle – Assessed valuations of the property now creates issues with 4 acres being worth \$100,000 for St. Johns.

Mr. Overson – I'm struggling to see what the big hesitation is. It's a piece of property that's been sitting there for ages that we aren't doing anything with and with an empty pond that hasn't been used. We aren't giving anything up. We already are in a situation where we are declining in numbers and we've got a lot of square footage in land area as it is. This is a great way to get rid of it.

Mrs. Patterson – Yes but you get rid of that land and you never get it back.

Mr. Overson – I don't see why we would ever need it back.

Mr. Wiltbank – One of the hesitations that I have in getting rid of the land is, especially with my college career, my best learning experiences were done

outside of the classroom. If there are opportunities in the future to provide that for other students, I think that might be invaluable if that's a possibility in the future.

Mr. Overson – It's not the only pond in town. You and I went to Middle School and I didn't ever do anything at that pond and I didn't even know it was even owned by the School District until this came up.

Mrs. Patterson – I don't think it was a pond back then.

Mr. Overson – When did it become a science pond? I don't see how it would ever take away of the educational experiences of our kids.

President Zieler – I can understand Mr. Wiltbank and Mrs. Wiltbank's concern of this but I'm a fan of beautification and feels we should give it a shot. I understand it's difficult. I've tried to buy land here and people swear they won't sell yet the land is still vacant and probably will be another 20 years. I have the opinion we should beautify a little bit.

Mrs. Wenhardt – I'm all for that.

Mr. Overson – It's such a great deal to me, it's almost too good to be true. My only reservation is what's Mr. Day's real motivation here? It seems like a great offer to me. All he's doing is making our town look nicer.

Mr. Wiltbank – What's our timeframe here? Want to do it today?

President Zieler – Not necessarily. When did he first approach us Mr. Heap?

Superintendent Heap – Maybe 6 months ago?

Mr. Overson – Seems to me the last time Mr. Day approached Mr. Heap about it, we said thanks, but no thanks. If we were to do it again, I don't know how many times Mr. Day is going to continue to make an offer if the board keeps rejecting it.

President Zieler – Say we get a \$35,000 offer for the land and a \$65,000 donation on top of that, you keep talking about it being earmarked for the high school track. Can we use funds from the sale of this for the repairs on the track and also the donation as well?

Mr. Boyle – We can. The \$35,000 will go into lease of land sale and or lease of land fund. It's the same fund that our cell tower money goes into. It can be used to lower taxes, capital projects, or M&O expenses.

President Zieler - The same with the donation?

Mr. Boyle – Correct. The donation will go into a donation fund. It will be in separate funds but they can be combined to help with repair of the track.

Mr. Overson – You mentioned \$65,000. Its \$135,000 right?

Mrs. Patterson – No.

Mr. Boyle – No, he’s going to take it up to \$100,000.

Mr. Burgoyne – One other thing we may need to look into is money that was received from a Heritage grant and Game & Fish. We need to look and see if there was any responsibility in that. I remember Carolyn Nielsen telling me that she received grant monies for the pond where they actually paid for a lot of that.

Superintendent Heap – I know they talked about making and putting in a dock and things like that. We can check and see.

President Zieler – Those are things we need to know before we do anything more.

Mr. Boyle – I haven’t looked into that.

President Zieler – There may be some maintenance requirements also as part of that grant, as our share of that grant.

President Zieler - We need to give this an answer to the questions first. I hate to put this off another month but do we feel comfortable moving ahead with something without knowing all?

Mr. Overson – I trust our Administrators to be able to find that out pretty easily. We need to make sure and check on it but obviously.

President Zieler – The first question was to determine if we want to sell the land. The second question was if we determine to sell the land that we must determine a fair market value one of two ways; have it appraised or rely on the opinion of property professionals.

Motion/Second to do as the Administration has recommended and list the property that we are discussing on the open market based on the valuation performed by our two relators. Obviously making sure we don’t owe anything to anybody on the property as far as maintenance or retaining the property because of grants or anything like that.

Motion – Mr. Overson; 2nd –Mrs. Wenhardt;

In favor: Mr. Overson, Mrs. Wenhardt, President Zieler

Opposed: Mr. Wiltbank, Mrs. Patterson

Motion Carries

E. IGA – Dual Enrollment – Northland Pioneer College FY 2014-2015 Pending County Attorney Approval)

Superintendent Heap – We do not have that approval back from the County Attorney yet. If we do not receive that approval, we will bring it back to the board. I recommend approval pending approval from the County Attorney. No major changes.

Motion/Second to approve the IGA – Dual Enrollment with Northland Pioneer College FY 2014-2015, Pending County Attorney approval

Motion – Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mr. Overson; unanimous

F. Offer Middle School Principal Contract to: Mr. Tim Raban

Superintendent Heap – You have backup material in your book. This is our recommendation.

President Zieler – Let me add one comment. If there is going to be a motion to offer that Middle School Principal contract to Mr. Raban, there are two executive sessions that need to be discussed first before we talk about a date. If that motion is to be made, we need to say something in the motion referring to the contract start date to be determined once other issues have been resolved. We don't have a date right now until the executive sessions have been resolved.

Motion/Second to offer Middle School Principal Contract to Mr. Tim Raban with a start date to be determined at a later time, possibly after the executive session this meeting.

Motion – Mr. Wiltbank; 2nd – Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

G. General Statement of Assurances FY 2014-2015

Appoint Edward Burgoyne and Catherine Patterson as Entity Administrators

Motion/Second to approve the General Statement of Assurances FY 2014-2015 and appoint Edward Burgoyne and Catherine Patterson as Entity Administrators

Motion – Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

H. Additional Signatories for 2014-2015

- a. District Office, All Bank Accounts - Edward Burgoyne, Catherine Patterson, and Stephenie Holden
- b. Middle School Activity Account – Tim Raban

Motion/Second to approve additional signatories for 2014-2015 to the accounts as listed

Motion – Mr. Wiltbank; 2nd – Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

I. Additional District Treasurer and Assistant Treasurers

Catherine Patterson/Replacing Jacob Boyle/ Stephenie Holden and Tim Raban

Motion/Second to approve additional District Treasurer and Assistant Treasurers as listed

Motion – Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mr. Wiltbank; unanimous

J. HANDBOOKS FY 2014-2015

- a. Cafeteria – Date changes only
- b. Coronado School – Changes highlighted
- c. High School – Changes highlighted
- d. High School Athletic - Changes highlighted
- e. Transportation – No changes

Superintendent Heap referred to all changes as noted.

Mr. Overson – I have a question about the handbooks. I would like to know if our cafeteria handbook has anything in there about allowing charges at the end of the year and what our policy is about collecting those charges. This came about with some incidents we had at the end of the school year.

Superintendent Heap – We discussed that as an Administration team, in fact made a change that day before it went any further. We are in agreement it will continue to be held to that change and will follow through to make sure it's in the handbooks.

Motion/Second to approve handbooks FY 2014-2015 and with the changes noted.

Motion – Mr. Overson; 2nd – Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

K. Expense Vouchers #1432 & #1436 to Diamond C Feed – PO# 140977 & #141083**Motion/Second to approve Expense Vouchers #1432 & 1436 to Diamond C Feed - PO# 140977 & #141083**

Motion –Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mr. Overson

In favor: Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Overson, Mrs. Wenhardt, President Zieler

Abstained - Mr. Wiltbank

Motion passes

L. Expense Voucher – #1438 to Tawnya Wood – PO# 141111

Motion/Second to approve Expense Voucher #1438 to Tawnya Wood – PO# 141111

Motion – Mr. Wiltbank; 2nd – Mrs. Patterson

In favor – Mr. Wiltbank, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Wenhardt, President Zieler

Abstained – Mr. Brent Overson

Motion passes

M. Expense Vouchers - #1439 to Leslie Welker/Frans Flowers – PO# 140983 & #141085

Motion/Second to approve Expense Vouchers #1439 to Leslie Welker/Frans Flowers – PO# 140983 & #141085

Motion –Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mr. Overson

In favor – Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Overson, Mr. Wiltbank, President Zieler

Abstained – Mrs. Wenhardt

Motion passes

N. SJUSD Acceptable Use Policy 2014-2015/For Student/Staff Use of Computers, Networks, and Internet Resources

Superintendent Heap – There are no changes

Motion/Second to approve the SJUSD Acceptable Use Policy for 2014-2015

Motion –Mrs. Patterson; 2nd –Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- Personnel
 - A. Letter of Resignations
 - a. Catherine Patterson/Vocational Director/NAVIT Coordinator
 - B. Aides
 - a. Beverly Flygare/Middle School/Part-time/Replacing Erin Richins
 - b. Megan Bryan/Coronado School/Part-time/Replacing Teri Heap
 - C. Temporary Cafeteria Worker
 - a. Tracie Norton
 - D. Middle School Athletic Addendum
 - a. Mario Ulibarri – Athletic Director
 - E. High School Athletic Volunteer
 - a. Trysta Meyer – Girls Soccer Coach
 - F. District Volunteer
 - a. Alex Madrid
 - G. AZ Workforce Connection Providing Temp. Workers to SJUSD
 - a. Derrick Holden
 - b. Nathan Holden
 - c. Andrew Pearce
 - d. James Phelps
 - e. Levi Torbet
- Financial
 - A. Vacation Leave Payoff for Jacob Boyle/Finance Director/Per Policy GDQB & GDD
 - B. Consolidated Board Report
 - C. Payroll Vouchers - Ratify/Sign #24, & #25

Motion/Second to approve the Consent Agenda

Motion – Mrs. Wenhardt; 2nd – Mrs. Patterson; unanimous

X. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

August 7, 2014 – 6:30pm

XI. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Update on land sale

XII. Superintendent Contract

The Board will adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of Discussion of Superintendent Contract Related Issues Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 A.1.

Those to be in this executive session: All board members and Superintendent Larry Heap.

Motion/Second to adjourn into executive session with board members only at this time.

Motion – Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

The board adjourned into executive session – 7:25 pm

Back in open session – 10:09 pm

XIII. Motion/Approval of Superintendent Contract

No motion made

XIV. Superintendent Contract

The Board will adjourn in to Executive Session for the purpose of Discussion of Superintendent Contract Related Issues Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 A.1.

Those to be in this executive session: All board members and Mr. Ed Burgoyne.

Motion/Second to adjourn into executive session

Motion – Mrs. Paterson; 2nd – Mr. Wiltbank; unanimous

The board adjourned into executive session – 10:10 pm

Back in open session – 11:06 pm

XV. Motion/Approval of Superintendent Contract

Motion/Second to accept the contract with Mr. Ed Burgoyne to be seated July 1, 2014. Also Middle School Principal Mr. Tim Raban will be seated July 1, 2014.

Motion – Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mr. Wiltbank; unanimous

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second to adjourn the June 26, 2014 Board Meeting

Motion – Mrs. Patterson; 2nd – Mrs. Wenhardt; unanimous

Meeting adjourned 11:08 pm