

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Patterson called this meeting to order: 6:00 pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was led by: Mrs. Wenhardt

III. ATTENDANCE

Those in attendance: Board Members: President Eve Patterson, Mrs. Leslie Wenhardt, and Mr. Clint Wiltbank; Superintendent Mr. Ed Burgoyne; Finance Director Ms. Catherine Patterson; Board Executive Secretary Mrs. Tanya Sparks; High School Principal Mr. Roger Heap; High School Asst. Principal Mr. Dave Bradshaw; Middle School Principal Mr. Tim Raban; Coronado School Principal Mr. Bryan Hollembeak and members of the public. Board members Mr. David Easley and Mr. Brent Overson were excused from this meeting.

IV. FACILITIES TOUR / High School

Dismiss for facilities tour - 6:01 pm

Return from facilities tour – 6:47 pm

V. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion/Second to adopt the agenda

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

VI. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2015

Motion/second to approve the minutes for September 3, 2015

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

VII. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No Cards

VIII. STUDENT/STAFF PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. Debbie Crawford – Report of Summer FCCLA National Leadership Conf.
Mrs. Crawford reported on the events of their conference and had food prepared for the board members to taste.

Mr. Matt Weber – NAVIT

Mr. Weber introduced Larry Von Stradling who is St. Johns representative on the NAVIT board. He appreciates him and all that he does and said you can't find many like him.

Mr. Weber handed out some resource material regarding JTED's (Joint Technical Education Districts) in Arizona; what technical education is and what they do. He mentioned the potential cuts in funding. He also presented a PowerPoint on NAVIT and how they assist with high school satellite programs.

He concluded by asking all to please share these handouts with key people in your community and contact the legislatures that represent you to fight for this program. He said he appreciates working with St. Johns schools and with fantastic people such as Roger Heap and Shelly Finch. "We are here to train a workforce."

President Patterson asked if he has contact numbers for those legislators we need to talk to.

Mr. Weber replied that he does not but if you go online to: AZLEG.gov and type in your address, it will tell you who your legislative representatives are.

Superintendent Burgoyne also has a list of our legislative representatives.

IX. REPORTS

- Superintendent
Superintendent Burgoyne had a written report in the board backup materials. He handed the board some pictures of our middle school soccer field that were taken a year ago and compared them to current pictures of the field to show how great the field looks and how well taken care of it's been over this year. He also showed clips of several different pictures/articles that were in the White Mountain Independent showcasing our amazing students and staff.
- Director of Finance
Ms. Patterson had a written report in the board backup materials. She had nothing to add.
- Coronado Principal
Mr. Hollembeak had a written report in the board backup materials. He had nothing to add.

President Patterson thanked him for his informative newsletter.

- Middle School Principal
Mr. Raban had a written report in the board backup materials. He had nothing to add.

The school board thanked Mr. Raban for the sports reports included.

- High School Principal
Mr. Heap had a written report in the board backup materials. He had nothing to add.

President Patterson thanked Mr. Heap for the information/comments given in his report regarding the modified Friday's.

- Student Body President
Student Body President, Marissa Cordova reported that Homecoming went well. It was a lot of hard work but they got through it. They are working on different motivating ideas which include:
 1. For every month we do a “birthday month”. We decorate every student’s locker who has a birthday in that month.
 2. They also came up with a “Spirit Warrior”. Whoever has most school spirit receives the spirit award.

President Patterson thanked her and said they appreciate all their hard work.

Mr. Heap also commented that these are a good group of leaders.

- Board
No reports

X. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

A. Results of Facilities Tour

President Patterson said a lot has changed this year. Everything looks really good. She thanked Mr. Nelson Davis and asked that he pass that on to his crew.

Mr. Davis commented that his crew is excited again and doing well. He feels we have one of the nicest football fields in the White Mountains.

Mrs. Wenhardt also commented that the maintenance crew doesn’t get paid enough for all they do and to be sure and thank them for everything they do.

Superintendent Burgoyne said there are major things that still need to be done all around the district and we have developed a pretty good bond with the School Facilities Board (SFB) and continue to cultivate that. Mr. Davis is going to talk to them about carpet and other things they can help us with, on and within our buildings, etc.

B. Annual Financial Report (AFR) FY 2015

Ms. Catherine Patterson explained that this report lists all the money that was spent as well as where it was spent. It’s a culmination of the year 2014-2015. Once this is done then we roll all the books and we roll at the same time with the County Schools.

On page 8, Maintenance and Effort is what we’ve had so much trouble with. It is our goal to keep it maintained.

Motion/Second to approve the Annual Financial Report (AFR) FY 2015

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

C. Open Bank Clearing Account for AZ State Retirement ACH

Ms. Patterson – The County changed the way they process and asked that we now process these checks on our own. Our auditors have explained that we have to open a clearing account for this purpose. This account will only be used as a clearing account for the AZ State Retirement ACH.

Motion/Second to open a bank clearing account for the AZ State Retirement ACH

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

D. Tax Accounts and Fees

Superintendent Burgoyne – As part of having clubs and tax donation accounts the school board is supposed to approve clubs and fees yearly. We haven't always done this as we should. We have cleaned up the tax account and are in the process of closing out some of the clubs that no longer exist. The backup material shows the clubs we are keeping and also the fee's we have to charge students who wish to participate in a tax club. In the past, we never charged fees to middle school students. At the beginning of this school year we charged them a fee which will now cover them to participate and use tax donation funds.

Superintendent Burgoyne said one of the things we would like you to mention in your approval is authorizing principals to waive any fees to students with a hardship, as stated in your board backup materials.

We will also have an undesignated account listed for the middle school and the high school so the funding in the closed accounts can be moved into these undesignated accounts and can be used to help pay possible fees for those students in a hardship situation.

Motion/Second to approve the tax accounts and fees and authorize principals at each school site to waive all or part of any activity fee if it creates an economic hardship for the student.

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

E. 7th and 8th Grade Early Release/Every Friday

Mr. Raban handed out paperwork which shows the total amount of seat hours the 7th and 8th grade students are required to have compared to all the other grades throughout the district. Because of the amount of required seat time at the 7th and 8th grades, teachers are then required to instruct much more. They don't have enough prep time to teach all they are required to teach in the day. Other teachers have one hour and ten minutes more prep time every day.

Mr. Raban is proposing every Friday to be early release days for the 7th and 8th grade students and teachers. This will give those teachers that extra prep time they so desperately need and it will also give them the time needed to

help students that need to catch up or need extra help. The other teachers are aware and understand that need.

Mr. Wiltbank has two concerns. One, from a business standpoint he feels it hurts the local businesses. With government and city offices shutting down on Fridays it really hurts the small businesses in town. What keep a lot of our people in town on the weekends are our students being in school on Fridays. Two, he doesn't like the idea that society is beginning to feel like we need as much time off work as we do work.

Mr. Raban commented that with the demands that are put on our teachers, he feels desperate to give them more prep time. He had to look at this as what's best for our students and what's best for our teachers. He never looked at the standpoint of what's best for businesses.

President Patterson understands where middle school is coming from. She sees the amount of work the teachers have to do.

Mrs. Wenhardt can see this to be such a big benefit for the kids that are struggling or are behind so these kids can receive more one-on-one time with the teacher and get caught up and feel better again.

Mr. Wiltbank asked when this would start.

Mr. Raban replied - As soon as possible. The teachers would like to start this Friday.

Motion/Second to approve the 7th and 8th Grade Early Release days every Friday

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

XI. CONSENT AGENDA

• **Personnel**

A. Letters of Intent to Retire

- a. Anne Salazar/H.S. Secretary
- b. Christy Moulton/M.S. Secretary
- c. Jim Staffnik/School Psychologist
- d. Cynthia Trickey/Elementary Teacher

B. Offer Full-time Teaching Contract

- a. Lorraine Wiesen/Special Education

C. Food Service Worker

- a. Carolyn Stokes/Part-time/Replacing Billie Hoover

- D. Temporary Workers/60days/Through October 30th**
- a. Tyler Booth
 - b. Samuel Jaramillo
 - c. Jose Sanchez
- E. Substitutes**
- a. Thomas L'Italien/Bus Driver
 - b. Jacob Holden/Custodian
 - c. John Naegle/Teacher/Pending Certificate
 - d. Gayla Wahl/Emergency Teacher/Pending Certificate
- F. Tech Crew**
- a. Kenzie Blank
 - b. Holly Patterson
- G. Addendums**
- a. Deborah Crawford – FCCLA Sponsor/High School
 - b. Becky Caballero/H.S. Student Council Advisor/High School
 - c. Donna Hauser/Drama Sponsor/High School/2015-16 School Year
 - d. Laurette Platt/Fall Play/Artistic Director/Costumes/\$600
 - e. Joelle Hauser/Fall Play/Choreographer/Props Director/High School/\$600
- H. Fall Play Contracted Vendor**
- a. Darrel Foye/Set/Large Props/Advertising/\$300
- I. High School Athletic Addendum**
- a. Asst. Wrestling Coach – Ferrin Crosby
 - b. Asst. Wrestling Coach – Stuart Nielsen
 - c. Asst. Wrestling Coach – Travis Johnson
(All 3 to split 1 addendum)
 - d. Asst. B. Basketball Coach – Ryan Patterson
 - e. Asst. B. Basketball Coach – Keith Drain/ If participation #'s allow for 3 levels,
per administration discretion
 - f. Asst. G. Basketball Coach – Trevor Waite
 - g. Asst. G. Basketball Coach - Jenna Crosby/If participation #'s don't allow 3
levels, they will split addendum, per administration discretion
- J. Middle School Athletic Addendum**
- a. Head Wrestling – Stuart Nielsen
 - b. Asst. Wrestling – Ferrin Crosby/To Split Addendum with Shane Johnson
 - c. Asst. Wrestling – Shane Johnson//To Split Addendum with Ferrin Crosby
- K. Middle School Athletic Volunteers**
- a. Wrestling – Tony Raykovitz
 - b. Wrestling – Brandon Crosby

- **Financial**

- A. Consolidated Board Report
- B. Auxiliary Fund Report – Approve and Sign Voucher #15
- C. Activity Fund Report - High School/ July & August 2015
- D. Payroll Vouchers - Ratify/Sign #5 & #6
- E. Expense Vouchers - Ratify/Sign #1605 & #1606
- F. Approve Request for Purchase Orders Over \$5000

- Other

Motion/Second to approve the consent agenda as outlined

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

XII. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday, November 5, 2015 – 6:30 pm

XIII. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Prop 301 Goals

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second to adjourn the meeting

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

Meeting adjourned – 7:52 pm

Board Approved November 5, 2015

Board President _____ Date _____