



Sonoita Elementary School District #25

Elgin School

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Christopher Bonn Ed.D, Superintendent

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SONOITA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
Tuesday November 1, 2016 @ 5:00 PM
ELGIN SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM, ELGIN SCHOOL

REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Board Attendance:

Mike Sweedo, President
Sharon McCully, Clerk
Joncie Patterson, Member
Kelly Bostock, Member

District Attendance:

Dr. Christopher Bonn, Superintendent
Isela Reyes, Business Manager

OPENING

- A. Call to Order- Mr. Sweedo called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance – Everyone in attendance stood and pledged alliance to The Flag of The United States of America.
 - Adoption of the Agenda – Mr. Sweedo motioned to adopt the agenda with a correction to item G. It should read 17/18 School Calendar. 2nd by Joncie Patterson. Motion carried 4-0.
- B. Approve Minutes
- Meeting Minutes October 4, 2016- Mr. Sweedo motioned to approve the minutes. 2nd by Sharon McCully. Motion carried 4-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- C. BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS – None given.
- D. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
- Enrollment (110) – Enrollment remains the same. District is aware of 1 family moving out of district in the near future.
 - Budget Update – Due to grant monies awarded for previous year expenditures received in this fiscal year, there will be a revision to the AFR. Dr. Bonn also informed the board of multiple grant awards from ADE (high cost child & preschool.), and from School Facilities Board. He stated he has “brought in” over \$800,000.00 in grants in the past calendar year.
 - ASBA Winter Conference Dec. 15-16 2016- Please get in touch with Mrs. Etchart if you will be attending and have not registered. Any new appointed board member must attend.
 - Educator of the Month (Cheryl Kueneman). Dr. Bonn expressed what an asset Cheryl has been to the front office.
- E. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ACTION ITEMS

- F. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – Grown your own for hard to fill positions agreement. – Mr. Sweedo motioned to discuss the agreement. Dr. Bonn stated The Board previously adopted this program. This is the agreement that has been drawn up by legal. Currently there are 4 employees in the program. 2 for Reading, 1 for Early Childhood and 1 for Curriculum and Instruction. This will help the district with teacher retention and shortage in the hard to fill positions. The limit is \$7,000.00. Mr. Sweedo motioned to approve the agreement. 2nd by Sharon McCully. Motion carried 4-0.

- G. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY 16/17 School Calendar- Mr. Sweedo motioned to discuss the 17/18 calendar. Dr. Bonn noted the change in dismissal time to 3pm, the extended year would also increase the calendar by 8 days however, it will allow for a 2-week fall and spring break. Both calendars would have the same dismissal times and Friday half days for professional development. Dr. Bonn noted that during the fall and spring breaks the district would have intersessions for students who need to catch up. Kelly asked what the consensus was, Dr. Bonn said 58% for extended and 41% for traditional and 1 % undecided. Sharon asked Dr. Bonn for a recommendation. Dr. Bonn stated he holds no position either way; he just wants the professional development days for every Friday. Joncie requested more time for more feedback from the parents. Kelly requested having the Monday after fair off. Mr. Sweedo motioned to table the item and send out a new Survey Monkey that included the Monday after Fair off. 2nd by Kelly Bostock. Motion to table carried 4-0.
- H. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE –Extra Duty pay for Classified Staff and Non Teaching Professionals for Teaching professional development and training achievement projects. – Mr. Sweedo motioned to discuss. Dr. Bonn stated this is a professional development project for classified staff. It has to benefit the district. The projects are mostly procedural and “how to’s” which are then uploaded to a district database, where employees have digital access to them. The projects are paid out at \$500. Mike Sweedo motioned to approve the extra duty pay. 2nd by Kelly Bostock. Motion carried 4-0.
- I. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – Postponing Superintendent’s Evaluation from December 2016 to April 2017. – Mr. Sweedo motioned to discuss. Dr. Bonn stated he has already been evaluated this year. He is requesting his evaluation after testing data is available. Kelly Bostock mentioned what was the benefit in postponing since testing data is not part of the evaluation presented. Dr. Bonn stated there is not enough time and data in the school year for an accurate evaluation for this year. Mike Sweedo motioned to postpone the evaluation to April 2017. 2nd by Sharon McCully. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA – Mike Sweedo motioned to approve the consent agenda, 2nd by Kelly Bostock. Motion carried 4-0.

J. Expense Vouchers 1008, 1009, 1010

K. Volunteer – Jacqueline Mann

L. Volunteer – Dillon Dahl

STUDY ITEMS

Dr. Bonn stated he is working on bring in the lawyer for the bullying study session previously requested by The Board.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

17/18 Calendar

ADJOURNMENT - Mike Sweedo motioned to adjourn the meeting 2nd by Sharon McCully. Meeting was adjourned at 5:58 pm.