WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES: SPECIAL MEETING

2010-2011 July 29, 2010 Administrative Center
Anasazi Room
4650 West Sweetwater Avenue
Glendale, AZ 85304-1505

I. REGULAR MEETING – GENERAL FUNCTION

A. Call to Order and Roll Call
Mrs. Lambert called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. telephonically. Governing Board members constituting a quorum were present: Mrs. Tee Lambert, Mr. Bill Adams, Ms. Clorinda Graziano, Mr. Aaron Jahneke, and Mr. Chris Maza.

B. Moment of Silence and Meditation – Waived

C. Pledge of Allegiance – Waived

D. Adoption of the Special Meeting Agenda
A motion was made by Mr. Adams to adopt the Special Meeting Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Maza. The motion carried.

E. Public Participation
There was no public participation.

F. Approval of the Consent Agenda
A motion was made by Ms. Graziano that the Governing Board approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jahneke. The motion carried.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

* A. Approval/Ratification of Vouchers
Approved and ratified the vouchers as presented. UNANIMOUS

*B. Personnel Items
Approved the personnel items as presented. UNANIMOUS

III. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. ARRA Assurances
Dr. Cook advised the Governing Board that the ARRA Assurance Form must be filed with the Superintendent of Public Instruction in order to participate in any ARRA programs through the Arizona Department of Education (ADE). The ARRA assurances were completed in the context that several of the assurances did not apply to elementary school districts and the applications that would allow for some of the data transmissions were still under development at the ADE. A motion was made by Mr. Adams that the Governing Board approve the submission of the ARRA Assurances to the Arizona Department of Education with the understanding that not all assurances apply to elementary school districts and that not all of the requirements can be met until the data submission applications are fully operational. The motion was seconded by Mr. Maza. The motion carried.

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B. Governing Board Argument for the Maintenance & Operations (M&O) Override Election Pamphlet

Tee Lambert presented the argument for the Maintenance & Operations (M&O) Override Election Pamphlet. A motion was made by Ms. Graziano that the Governing Board approve an argument in support of the Maintenance & Operations (M&O) Override to be included in the Publicity Pamphlet for the election to be held on November 2, 2010. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jahneke. The motion carried.

IV. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Jahneke requested a review of the Open Meeting Law.

V. CURRENT EVENTS: GOVERNING BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Lambert shared that she was attending the Joint Arts Education Conference. She stated that the information provided will be helpful when advocating for public education.

Mrs. Lambert shared that there would be a Superintendent for Public Instruction Candidates Forum (for Arizona Superintendent of Public Instruction) on July 29, 2010, 5:30 p.m., at the Musical Instrument Museum. She stated that the focus would be on the candidates’ support of arts education in Arizona. The event was free and open to the public. Dr. Cook advised that she and the Assistant Superintendents planned to attend the Forum.

Mr. Maza shared that he was named to an Independent Expenditure Committee, Great Schools Now. He advised that he will be focusing on State legislative races. He stated he cannot discuss with fellow Board members any plans of candidates running for the following positions: Governor, Treasurer, Attorney General, Superintendent of Public Instruction, or Secretary of State.

Dr. Cook shared that 48 teachers participated in the BEGIN program which started the week of July 26, 2010.

Dr. Cook shared that the New Hire Orientation would be held on July 30, 2010, with approximately 80 employees participating.

Dr. Cook shared that the District’s advertisement was being shown on the Jumbotron at Westgate City Center by the Jobing.com arena. She advised that a picture of the advertisement will be posted on the District’s website.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Maza to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Adams. The motion carried.

SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

Documents were signed as tendered by the Governing Board Secretary

Joyce Shiota

BOARD SECRETARY

8/26/10

DATE

Chad Maza

BOARD OFFICIAL

8/26/10

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July 29, 2010