

OSBORN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
Governing Board Regular Meeting
July 13, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Osborn School District Governing Board was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President Aguilar.

Present:

Ylenia Aguilar, Board President
Sue Corbin, Board Clerk
Juan Carlos Flamand, Board Member
Edward Hermes, Board Member
Luis Peralta, Board Member
Dr. Michael Robert, Superintendent

Mr. Flamand attended the meeting virtually.

The regular meeting resumed at 5:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Aguilar led the pledge.

District Celebrations and Announcements

OMS Promotion: Congratulations to Jeffry Martin, the newly selected principal for Clarendon School!

Dr. Robert congratulated Mr. Martin on his new position as principal at Clarendon Elementary and provided an overview of previous positions held by Mr. Martin during his time with the district; most recently as Assistant Principal at OMS.

Vaccination Event

Dr. Robert expressed his appreciation for the work of Native Health and Phoenix Union High School District with the vaccination events at OMS and throughout the community.

Consent Agenda – Approval of Items Since April Meeting

- A. Ratification of Accounts Payable Vouchers
- B. Ratification of Payroll Vouchers
- C. Board Minutes
 - 1. Work Study of June 11, 2021
 - 2. Regular meeting of June 22, 2021
 - 3. Public Hearing of June 22, 2021
- D. Approval of Personnel Items
 - 1. New Employees
 - 2. Extra Duty Contracts
 - 3. Employment Changes/Additions
 - 4. Resignations
 - 5. Terminations
 - 6. Retirements
 - 7. Leaves of Absence
- E. Donations
- F. Disposal
- G. Approval of 2021/22 Student Fees
- H. MOUs/Agreements with Partner Organizations:
 - 1 Approval of IGA renewal with Greater Phoenix Educational Management Council (GPEMC)

2. Approval renewal of MOU with Southwest Human Development Headstart Program for Preschool Special Education Services 2021-2022
 3. Approval of renewal of MOU for Head Start Services and Space Agreement with Southwest Human Development Headstart for 2021-2022
 4. Renewal of IGA with the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind
 5. Approval of renewal of MOU with Native Health
- I. Approval of Bond and Override Projects

Mr. Flamand requested removing item IV-I for further discussion.

Mr. Hermes moved for approval of the consent agenda with the exception of IV-I. Mr. Peralta seconded. Motion carried 5-0

Ms. Aguilar aye
Ms. Corbin aye
Mr. Flamand aye
Mr. Hermes aye
Mr. Peralta aye

Mr. Flamand expressed concern with a previous proposal submitted by Midsate Energy. Providing clarification, Dr. Robert explained that the proposal Mr. Flamand is referring to was for a bipolar ionization project the district has not proceeded with and has not been brought to the Board for approval. Mr. Flamand became familiar with the proposal while serving on an oversight committee. Mr. Flamand's concerns are specifically related to language in the proposal that says bipolar ionization is endorsed by the CDC and ASRAE.

Discussion regarding the statement and the high quality of work and leadership the district has experienced in working with Midstate Energy took place.

Members Peralta, Hermes and Aguilar agreed that although there are concerns with the proposal, that it was a separate matter and they were comfortable with the item on the agenda for this meeting.

Mr. Hermes move to approve item IV-I. Mr. Peralta seconded. Motion carried 4-1.

Ms. Aguilar aye
Ms. Corbin aye
Mr. Flamand nay
Mr. Hermes aye
Mr. Peralta aye

Call to the Public

No requests received.

Board Presentation

Dr. Robert stated that as the start of school nears, the district continues its work on mitigation strategies. Latest recommendations from the CDC refer to layering strategies. Masks will be a choice for both students and staff, distancing, now at 3 feet, and directionality of seats is now being considered by task forces. Students, parents and staff have been surveyed and

responses are being looked at in regards to temperature checks, plexiglass, directionality, cohorting and visitors on school sites. Dr. Robert shared that the district is considering pooled testing which has received favorable results with as little as 10 percent participation. Mr. Flamand questioned what the district could legally require and consequences. Dr. Robert noted that after reconvening with task forces and there is a document in place, it can be shared with district counsel.

Administrative Reports

There were no comments.

Action/Approval

Adoption of the 2021/22 Budget and Approval to Spend Insurance Proceeds

Mr. Hermes moved to adopt the 2021/22 Budget and approve the use of Insurance Proceeds monies as may be needed during the year. Ms. Corbin seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Aguilar aye
Ms. Corbin aye
Mr. Flamand aye
Mr. Hermes aye
Mr. Peralta aye

Approval of the Job Description for an Educational Assistant – Montessori, part-time (18.5 hours/week)

Dr. Robert explained this position is a new position that will allow for after school care for the Montessori program.

Mr. Hermes moved to approve. Mr. Peralta seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Aguilar aye
Ms. Corbin aye
Mr. Flamand aye
Mr. Hermes aye
Mr. Peralta aye

Board Development

ASBA Law Conference September 8-10, 2021 (in person)

Mr. Hermes and Ms. Corbin expressed interest in attending, other members will notify Ms. Nye if they would like to be registered for the event.

ASBA Delegate Assembly September 11, 2021 (in person)

President Aguilar shared that she and former member Mrs. Radtke have previously served at the delegate assembly. The item will be brought back in August for a vote.

Reflections/Feedback on Meeting

Mr. Flamand said that in looking back at last year, there will be many challenges the first half of the new year but looks forward to in person learning.

Mr. Peralta stated his appreciation for the continued work with mitigation and is glad to see the work being done.

Mr. Hermes acknowledged that there is a lot of anxiety in the community and recognizes the responsibility to continue to keep kids safe and appreciates the hard work being done.

Ms. Corbin said she is grateful that the Board is working together and able to share thoughts with open minds.

Dr. Robert said he looks forward to being able to hold vaccination events for ages 2- 11 and holds hope that this will happen by late September.

President Aguilar said she was grateful for the hard work of Osborn teams and partnerships.

Future

Mr. Flamand

- Hopes to find a solution to the audio difficulties experienced with virtual meetings.

Mr. Hermes

- Update on the new school year
- How the district is doing with the updated mitigation strategies
- Enrollment update

Ms. Corbin

- Admin Retreat

President Aguilar

- Update on site tour and enrollment processes

Adjournment

President Aguilar declared the meeting adjourned at 6:03 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Lisa Nye, Executive Assistant
to the Superintendent and Governing Board

Sue Corbin, Board Clerk