

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the general public that the Governing Board for Ash Fork Joint Unified School District No. 31 will convene a Regular Board Meeting at the time, date, and place indicated. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 the Board may vote to convene in executive session to review personnel and/or legal matters

MINUTES

Date: October 10, 2023 5:00pm Place: Room 115

(MEETING ROOM WILL OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT 4:45PM)

I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call Present: Jodie Benson, Joe Fairchild, Susan Barnes, Laurie Granger, Deborah Hunt via phone, Seth Staples, Robert Broehm, Sue Atkinson**

II. Adoption of Agenda Susan Barnes made the motion to adopt the agenda as written. Laurie Granger seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Joe Fairchild, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Board meeting minutes not previously approved

A. Regular meeting minutes not previously approved from September 12, 2023, Special meeting from September 13, 2023 and work session from September 19, 2023

Laurie Granger made the motion to accept the minutes from the September 12, 2023 meeting as written. Joe Fairchild seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Susan Barnes, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

Susan Barnes made the motion to approve the minutes from the special meeting of September 13, 2023 and work session from September 19 2023. Jodie Benson seconded. Yay votes: Deborah Hunt Nay votes: none, Abstain: Laurie Granger, Joe Fairchild.

V. District Current Events (No Discussion/Action Taken)

A. Superintendent – High School Block Schedule, Fall sports update, Homecoming

Mr. Staples read statements from the high school teachers that he received regarding the new block schedule. All were positive and supportive of the new schedule. Updates were given on High School Volleyball and middle school soccer. Both whose seasons were coming to an end. Homecoming is coming up the week of the 16th. The bonfire will be Wednesday at 6pm with games on Thursday and the dance on Friday.

B. High School Student Council – None. It was Violetta's birthday

VI. Governing Board items for discussion

A. K-2 Dibels progress – none due to Galileo benchmark testing

B. Yavapai County Library District \$5,000 grant – Lilly Young presented. The district has received a \$5000 grant to purchase books for the library. There is also an online program called Soara that the students can sign up for and get books through the app. The board would like to make sure that they can only get age/grade appropriate books from the app. Lilly/Mr. Staples will follow-up.

C. First quarter data analysis – N. Broehm Mrs. Broehm reviewed 1st quarter benchmarks. The results are attached to the minutes

D. Boiler removal and instant hot water installation – Mr. Broehm reported that the repair is almost complete. The contractor is waiting on 1 more part.

E. Bus #89 repairs – The bus damage was covered under insurance and is still in the repair shop in Phoenix. In the meantime, Mountain Institute CTED has loaned us a bus until it's repaired.

F. Superintendent revised/rewritten evaluation scoring and rubric review (pg.1) No additional comments and a more thorough review will be done at a work session scheduled for October 24th at 5pm.

****Member Laurie Granger had a family emergency and was excused from the meeting during discussion items**

VII. Presentations - None

VIII. Call to the Public - None

IX. Old Business – None

X. Action Items

A. Consent Agenda Items *(All those items listed below may be enacted by one motion and approved as Consent Agenda items with or without discussion. All or individual items may be pulled from the consent agenda and discussed individually)*

Consideration to Ratify Vouchers

a. Payroll Voucher: #7 - \$87,031.10 - #8 - \$46,586.85 #9 - \$86,328.31

b. Expense Voucher: #2411 - \$19,859.12 - #2412 - \$18,332.26 - #2413 \$16,674.12
#2414 - \$39,043.94

c. Auxiliary Account Check Detail (pg.30)

d. Approval of District Fundraisers: none

Joe Fairchild made the motion to approve Consent agenda items a, b, and c. Susan Barnes seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

B. Non-Consent Agenda Discussion/Action Items

1. District Financials

a. Cash and Budget balances

b. Student Activities Report

c. District FY23 Annual Financial Report (AFR) and School Level Report (SLR) handouts

Joe Fairchild made the motion to approve Non-Consent agenda items a, and b and c. Susan Barnes seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

2. Discuss/Approve – Teacher positions- hard to fill stipend.

Susan Barnes made the motion to approve a hard to fill/retention stipend of \$5000 per year awarded to one position per year. Joe Fairchild seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

3. Discuss/Approve - CallTeks – security camera quote for additional cameras in High School

Because we didn't have the quote in time for the meeting, Susan Barnes made the motion to table this until the next meeting. Joe Fairchild seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

4. Discuss/Approve – District approved qualified teacher evaluator – S. Staples

Joe Fairchild made the motion to approve District approved qualified teacher evaluator – S. Staples and Natalie Broehm. Susan Barnes seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

5. Discuss/ Approve - 2nd reading of policy CBI changing the frequency of the Superintendent evaluation to bi-annual from annual (dates of notice “no later than Dec. 1st & June 1st” and meeting “no later than Dec. 18th & June 18th”) (pg.35)

Susan Barnes made the motion to approve 2nd reading of policy CBI changing the frequency of the Superintendent evaluation to bi-annual from annual (dates of notice “no later than Dec. 1st & June 1st” and meeting “no later than Dec. 18th & June 18th”) Deborah Hunt seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Joe Fairchild. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

6. Discuss/Approve - 1st reading of Policy Advisories #748-762 handout

Joe Fairchild made the motion to approve the 1st reading of Policy Advisories #748-762 excluding advisory # 753 CBI because we approved our own version above. Susan Barnes seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

7. Discuss/Approve – 1st reading of Board Evaluation Exhibit BAA-E (pg.36)

Due to the fact that this is an exhibit and not a policy, there does not need to be a first and second reading. It can be approved right away. Joe Fairchild made the motion to approve Board Evaluation Exhibit BAA-E. Susan Barnes seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

Executive Session

Susan Barnes made the motion to convene in executive session to confer with the attorney regarding the bus barn project at 6:40pm. Joe Fairchild seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

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8. Discuss Bus Barn progress – Attorney Mark Hanson

Regular Session

Susan Barnes made the motion to convene in regular session at 7:18pm. Joe Fairchild seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

9. Personnel

- i. New Hires:
- ii. Resignations
- iii. Additional Duty Stipends:

Middle School Girls Basketball Head Coach M. Holladay, Asst. Coach C. Walema

Middle School Boys Basketball Head Coach M.McDowell, Asst.Coach J.Acosta

Hard to fill teaching position: High School ELA – Staci Martin

Joe Fairchild made the motion to approve personnel item iii, additional duty stipends. Deborah Hunt seconded. Yay votes: Jodie Benson, Susan Barnes. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved

VIII. Information and future discussion items (NO Action taken)

- A. Board work session October 24th at 5pm to review Superintendent and Board evaluation rubrics
- B. Requests for Information or Future Agenda Items (The governing Board may identify items they would like placed on a future agenda
 - 1. Soara Ebook app, CallTek quote, Emergency Mgmt. plan., 7th & 8th grade CTED presentation, remedial learning programs, classified salary schedule compression
- C. Date of next Regular meeting. **November 14, 2023 at 5:00pm Rm.#115**

IX. Adjournment

Joe Fairchild made the motion to adjourn at 7:23pm. Jodie Benson seconded. Yay votes: Susan Barnes, Deborah Hunt. Nay votes: none. Unanimously approved.

MINUTES APPROVED ___ WRITTEN/ ___ AMENDED, OCTOBER 10, 2023 MEETING*

absent

Laurie Granger

Joe Fairchild, Vice-President

Susan Barnes, Clerk

Deborah Hunt, Member

Jodie Benson- President

***draft until approved at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.**