

CAMP VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES TAKEN DURING
MEETING ON
DECEMBER 8, 2015
AT 7:00 PM
AT THE CAMP VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT MULTI-USE COMPLEX LIBRARY
280 CAMP LINCOLN ROAD
CAMP VERDE, ARIZONA 86322

BOARD VISION STATEMENT

Inspiring today's students to become tomorrow's leaders.

MISSION STATEMENT

Camp Verde Unified School District will provide opportunities to cultivate academic and personal achievement and service to others within a community of respect.

REGULAR SESSION 7:00 PM

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER
Board President Freeman called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE
Mr. Roth led the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a moment of silence.
3. ROLL CALL
Board Members present were: Mrs. Helen Freeman, Mr. Tim Roth, Mr. Bob Simbric, Mrs. Christine Schneider, and Mrs. Kitty McDowell.
4. AGENDA REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE
Motion: Mrs. Schneider moved, seconded by Mrs. McDowell, to accept the agenda as currently outlined. The motion carried 5-0.
5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
None.
6. STAFF/STUDENT/COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION OF GOOD THINGS
Middle School Principal Danny Howe said that he could not be prouder as he introduced Teen Leadership Instructors Brian Tankesly, Abbie Monroe and Donnie Shanks. Teen Leadership is a strong component of the Capturing Kid's Hearts Program at the school. Each of the teachers had several students exhibit their support for the Teen Leadership Class by giving a short speech to the Board. As each student spoke, two other students flanked them for support. The teens spoke on leadership, self-concept and helping one another.
Two self-led students also spoke on an initiative that they started in conjunction with Capturing Kid's Hearts called the A-squad. The team of students focusses on writing affirmations for others, making inspirational posters for the campus and making and giving gifts to the staff.
Mr. Howe explained that the school had been nominated as a Capturing Kid's Hearts Showcase School. This is a huge honor as the Middle School is one of the 11 schools nominated in the country. A team from CKH will come to the Middle School campus to interview staff and students, as well as look over data including student achievement and discipline referrals to determine whether the school will be receiving this award.

7. POTENTIAL ACTION ON PERSONNEL MATTERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

- a. Employment recommendations
- b. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations
- c. Other
- d. Substitutes and Volunteers

Motion: Mrs. Schneider moved, seconded by Mr. Simbric to approve the personnel matters as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried 5-0.

8. POTENTIAL ACTION ON BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

- a. Expense Vouchers in the amount of \$ 397, 707.11
- b. Payroll Vouchers in the amount of \$ 623, 452. 70
- c. Financial Updates
- d. Student Accounts

Dr. Goodwin explained that there was an addition to the accounts payable vouchers that were approved in September and that the Board would need to ratify the payment approval.

Motion: Mr. Simbric moved, seconded by Mrs. McDowell to approve the business and financial matters as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried 5-0.

9. POTENTIAL APPROVAL OF YAVAPAI TITLE EXPENSE VOUCHER # 1630 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 5, 707.10

Motion: Mrs. McDowell moved, seconded by Mr. Roth to approve the Yavapai Title Expense Voucher # 1630 in the amount of \$ 5, 707.10. The motion carried 4-0 with an abstention from Mr. Simbric.

10. POTENTIAL APPROVAL OF GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES

- a. Minutes taken Regular Meeting, November 10, 2015
- b. Minutes taken Special Session, December 1, 2015

Motion: Mr. Simbric moved, seconded by Mrs. McDowell to approve the minutes taken November 10 and December 1. The motion carried 5-0.

11. POTENTIAL ACTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Potential approval of donation from the American Legion Auxiliary in the amount of \$ 150.00 in recognition of American Education Week, November 16-20, 2015 to be used for staff appreciation.
- b. Potential approval of donation from the Henderson Endowment Fund to Camp Verde Elementary School in the amount of \$ 3, 150.00 to be used for in-school art and taught by Carol Hildebrandt, January 2016- May 2016.

Motion: Mrs. McDowell moved, seconded by Mr. Simbric to approve action on the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

12. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Update/Report from the Valley Academy for Career and Technical Education (VACTE) Board regarding their services to districts and their work study session that took place on October 20, 2015

Report: Steve Dockray, President of the Board and Lois Lamer CEO of Valley Academy of Career and Technical Education (VACTE) addressed the Board concerning their work session that took place in October regarding the Joint Technology Education District (JTED) funding cuts at the State. The cuts are problematic for VACTE and the districts they serve.

They asked that people take initiative to contact their state representatives about restoring the JTED funding.

There was no action taken on the Item.

b. Discussion/Report/Presentation on student academic progress/AZMerit scores
Report: Student Services Director Dale DeVries addressed the Board explaining the AZMerit scores. He went over the Arizona department of education's continued state of flux involving student assessments. He spoke on the disparity between AIMS data to AZMerit data making it difficult to track student progress. It will be a cumbersome job breaking down the data to see how each student performed on each standard in all subject areas tested.

There was no action taken on the Item.

13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM

a. Discussion and potential approval of a Memorandum of Understanding for Camp Verde Elementary School with the Arizona Board of Regents on behalf of the Northern Arizona University Senior Corps (Foster Grandparent) Program

Discussion: Elementary School Principal Mrs. Booth explained that the Elementary teachers are supportive of having these foster grandparent volunteers in their classrooms. Mrs. Schneider expressed concern with some of the language in the contract.

Motion: After discussion, Mrs. McDowell moved, seconded by Mr. Roth to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Camp Verde Elementary School with the Arizona Board of Regents on behalf of the Northern Arizona University Senior Corps (Foster Grandparent) Program. The motion carried 5-0.

b. Discussion/consideration and possible action to add additional task measurements to the superintendent's evaluation tool.

Discussion: The Board discussed a document that Mrs. Schneider had developed for the Superintendent's evaluation tool. Dr. Goodwin expressed his support for the document. The Board members will continue to work on the evaluation tool and a rating scale. There was no action taken on the Item.

c. Discussion and possible action on setting the next Strategic Planning Meeting on January 5, 2016 or January 7, 2016.

Motion: After discussion, Mrs. Schneider moved, seconded by Mrs. Simbric to set the next Strategic Planning Meeting on Tuesday, January 5th, at 5:30 pm. The motion carried 5-0.

14. ADMINISTRATIVE/BOARD REPORT

a. Update/Report on Budgets

Dr. Goodwin reported that no revisions were needed on the budgets.

b. Update/Report on mid-year funding

Dr. Goodwin reported that the District will be receiving money back from the Forest Fee management in the amount of \$ 10, 700.00 that will be used for professional development. The District will have used up the VACTE money by January or February this year and will need to use M&O to foot the bill. It is worth looking into establishing a self-sustaining, self-run CTE program.

c. Consideration of substitute teacher pay rate increase to be discussed on a future agenda.

Dr. Goodwin reported that the District is average compared to surrounding districts as far as sub pay. Some pay more, some pay less. However, he would like to readdress this in April or May before next school year.

- e. Consideration of suspension of Sick Bank Policy – GCCG to include regulations and exhibits to be discussed on a future agenda
Dr. Goodwin will be making a recommendation to move away from the sick bank policies because of inequalities and legal issues in the policy at a later board meeting.
- f. Events: ASBA Annual Conference, December 9-10; Web based instruction – Moodle Webinar, December 3; Problem Based Learning (PBS) In-Service April 1
 - *Moodle is being offered for free to the District and is being investigated as an online learning management system.*
 - *The PBS In-service will be collaborative District-wide in-service on April 1. The District-wide collaboration during the December work session went very well.*
15. INFORMATION ONLY
 - a. Governing Board Organizational meeting January 12, 2016
16. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT’S ANNUAL INFORMAL EVALUATION. THE BOARD MAY VOTE TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §38-431.03(A) (1) FOR THE DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS

Motion: Mr. Simbric moved, seconded by Mrs. McDowell to enter into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A) (1) for the Superintendent’s Informal Evaluation. The Motion Carried 5-0.

The Board took a recess at 8:50 pm.

The Board convened in executive session at 9:00 pm.

The Board exited executive session at 9:29 pm.
17. BOARD REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mrs. Schneider asked to have a report from the 6th grade group exploring Problem Based Learning.
18. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Simbric moved, seconded by Mrs. McDowell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:31 pm.
19. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS