

CAMP VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MINUTES TAKEN DURING
JOINT BOARD MEETING WITH YAVAPAI APACHE NATION COUNCIL
ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2017
Special Meeting
6:00 PM
Yavapai- Apache Council Chambers
2400 West Datsi Street
CAMP VERDE, ARIZONA 86322

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER YAVAPAI APACHE COUNCIL
Yavapai-Apache Councilwoman Jane Russell-Wineicki called the meeting to order at 6:17 pm.
Vice Chairman Larry Jackson blessed the meeting.
2. INTRODUCTIONS AND ROLL CALL OF CVUSD GOVERNING BOARD AND YAVAPAI-APACHE COUNCIL
CVUSD Governing Board Members present were: Helen Freeman, Kitty McDowell and Eric Lawton.
Yavapai-Apache Council Members present were: Chairwoman Jane Russell-Wineicki, Vice Chairman Larry Jackson, Council members: Thomasene Cardona, Genevieve Datsi, Darlene Rubio, Rachel Hood, and Cindy Nahee.
Others present were: Superintendent Dennis Goodwin, Director of Federal Projects Debbie Witt, Special Education Director Christina Gilbert, High School Principal Jason Douvikas, Middle School Principal, Danny Howe, Elementary School Principal Britta Booth, Governing Board Administrative Assistant Mary Hudson, and Yavapai-Apache Chief of Police John Huey, Yavapai-Apache Police Department Student Resource Officer Caleb Rundlett, Yavapai-Apache Council Secretary Karla Reimer, Johnson O'Malley Coordinator Cindy Eaton and JOM Tutors Delmundo Cepress, Cherie Anzar and Marley Juan, and Bugle Newspaper Reporter Bill Helm.
3. DINNER HOSTED BY THE YAVAPAI-APACHE NATION
Council-Woman Russell called for a brief recess for dinner.
4. DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR CVUSD GOVERNING BOARD AND YAVAPAI APACHE COUNCIL:
 - A. UPDATE ON TITLE VI GRANT HAPPENINGS AND IMPACT AID FOR 2017-2018
Mrs. Witt presented a Power-Point on the District's Title VI grant and Impact Aid. She summarized Federal Programs in public schools focusing on Title VI (formerly Title VII) Indian Education which supports supplemental services for Native American Students and Impact Aid (now Title VII) which contributes to the general operations of school districts. Mrs. Witt and Superintendent Goodwin answered questions regarding the Programs. The District is receiving Impact Aid funding in the year 2017 from the year 2015; the funds are not timely. In the 2016-2017 school year, Title VI grant allocations \$ 36,417.00 were used to hire a Native American Liaison/Tutor. In the 2017-2018 school year the grant allocations \$ 39, 898.00 are being used for the Yavapai Language Teacher at Camp Verde High School and some have been set aside in anticipation of hiring an Apache Language Teacher as well as filling the Native American Liaison position. The Tribal Council would like to submit some written information on evaluation and planning for educational programs. There was no action taken on the Item by the District's Governing Board.

B. DISCUSSION ON INDIAN EDUCATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – IHBJ AND IHBJ-R FOR CAMP VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mrs. Witt handed out a draft of the District's Indian Education Policies and Procedures. The Policies are issued to the District by the US Department of Education and require annual review. They ensure that parents of Native American students are included in the planning of educational programs. They require dissemination of information and opportunity for parents to provide input in their student's education.

There was some discussion on the checklist that the District has to submit annually that confirms that the District has met the Policy requirements. The discussion included ensuring that the District's Governing Board and the Nation's Tribal Council meet twice a year and that the Policies are distributed whether or not, they have been amended.

The District's Governing Board will consider the Policies for approval during their Regular Meeting in December.

C. PROGRESS REPORT FROM YAVAPAI-APACHE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND STUDENT RESOURCE OFFICER SCHOOL YEAR 2017-2018

Student Resource Officer Caleb Rundlett spoke on his work at the District; he enjoys going to work every day. He presented a Power-point that gave a breakdown on student referrals over the year on each campus. There was some discussion on substance and alcohol abuse and student suspensions. The Yavapai-Apache Police and the District are working together to help to educate students on the subject. Chief of Police John Huey stated that Officer Rundlett has also worked with the High School staff to training them to recognize student behavior under current drug-use trends. Officer Rundlett is also working with Ms. Eaton on truancy via home visits for Tribal families to students. There were extensive discussion on the services the school provides including counseling, behavior modification, special education testing and interventions and MATforse Substance Abuse Coalition drug prevention classes.

There was no action taken on the Item by the District's Governing Board.

D. PROGRESS REPORTS FROM CINDY EATON, JOM MANAGER; MARLEY JUAN, JOM TUTOR AND DELMUNDO CEPRESS, JOM TUTOR

Johnson O'Malley Coordinator Cindy Eaton addressed the Council and the Board with a Progress Report. Ms. Eaton works with the Middle School students and thanked Principal Howe and his staff for their outstanding work. Johnson O'Malley worked closely with the school to ensure that the students who took summer school finished on time to move to the next grade. She also thanked Principal Douvikas from the High School for making it possible for the JOM Class of 2017 to receive tutoring late in the evenings accomplishing a 100 % graduation rate. Ms. Eaton complemented the staff at the Elementary School for their relentless efforts to help students; thanking Principal Britta Booth. JOM Tutors Delmundo Cepress, Cherie Anzar and Marley Juan all gave updates on the schools they work in. Delmundo Cepress enjoys working with 37 students K-2. Marley Juan reported that she loves working with students 9-12. She was also thankful for the Yavapai Language class at the High School and has benefited linguistically from being in the class with some of her students. Cherie Anzar works with 55 students in grades 3-5 at the Elementary. She makes herself available for homework help in the morning before school and again after school homework support. She spoke highly of the staff's educational efforts.

E. CLOSING STATEMENTS - A LETTER FROM CHAIRWOMAN JANE RUSSELL-WINIECKI IN REGARDS TO NATION AND DISTRICT INTERESTS

Chairwoman Russell-Winiecki closed the meeting by reading a letter to the CVUSD School Board. She thanked Superintendent Goodwin, his staff and the strong Johnson O'Malley staff for helping to ensure a 100% graduation rate for the Nations students. She expressed gratitude for innovative leadership, listening to the concerns of the Nation and following through. In exchange for the District's good services, the Nation has agreed to supply the school with a Student Resource Officer. There was no action taken by the CVUSD Governing Board.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Russell-Wineicki adjourned the meeting at 8:53 pm. There was no action taken by the CVUSD Governing Board.