

CAMP VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
MINUTES TAKEN DURING
JOINT-BOARD MEETING WITH YAVAPAI APACHE NATION COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING
6:00 PM
CVUSD MULTI-USE CENTER LIBRARY
280 CAMP LINCOLN ROAD
CAMP VERDE, ARIZONA 86322

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1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER
Camp Verde Unified School District Governing Board President Tim Roth called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mr. Roth led the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a moment of silence.
3. INTRODUCTIONS AND ROLL CALL OF CVUSD GOVERNING BOARD AND YAVAPAI-APACHE COUNCIL
CVUSD Board Members present were: Tim Roth, Helen Freeman and Carol German. Board Members Bob Simbric and Eric Lawton were absent.
Yavapai-Apache Council Members present were: Chairwoman Jane Russell-Winiecki, and Members, Sierra Russell, Darlene Rubio and Thomasene Cardona. Administrator-In-Charge Danny Howe invited everyone present to tell a little about themselves. Introductions included Council Members, Board Members, and Members of School Administrators.
4. DINNER HOSTED BY CAMP VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
The group ate dinner and socialized briefly.
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR CVUSD GOVERNING BOARD AND YAVAPAI APACHE COUNCIL:
 - A. WHAT'S NEW AT SCHOOL? - REPORTS FROM SITE PRINCIPALS
Elementary Principal Britta Booth reported great things happening at the Elementary School. In order to promote communications on school happenings, they have adopted a Facebook account to post lunch menus, school calendars, announcements, and humble-brags about the school. She told of the Spring Break Blue Marble Challenge, and the Fun Runs at Christmas, Valentine's Day, and Easter. The Kindergarten Round-up is coming up, April 18. It is a great time for parents and incoming kindergarteners to tour the classrooms and meet the teachers. State testing is happening around the school for the next two weeks. Parents are encouraged to give their students pep-talks in the mornings before coming to school.
Middle School Principal and Administrator-In-Charge, Mr. Howe reported on the electives at the Middle School this year in addition to core classes. They are offering Horsemanship class, Herpetology, Space Exploration, and Music Appreciation. The students were surveyed last year to find out what would interest them and have been excited about the additional classes this year. The school has been nominated once again, this year, as a Capturing Kid's Hearts National Showcase School.

Mr. Showers reported he learns new things every week about state and federal requirements, as a new principal, which is not his favorite thing. His favorite thing is the students. The High School is preparing for an influx of students with the incoming freshman class preregistration numbers showing 160-165 students. This is the biggest class in the school's history. The Board has approved hiring two new teachers for English and Math. They are strategizing how to keep class sizes small, between 25-30 students. Earlier this month the High School held their annual expo combined with 8th grade orientation. They recently received grant money that will be used for mental health education, intervention and counseling for students. The Mental Health program is in the beginning stages. The Sports Medicine class will be worth a dual enrollment credit at Yavapai College next year. Other CTE programs that qualify as dual enrollment include automotive and culinary arts.

South Verde High School Principal Mr. Tankesley reported that AIMS Science is going well with the sophomore class, no problems, and no complaints. The school recently hired a Math Tutor who will finish the school year, before heading to college. South Verde has been seeking to become an AOI (Arizona Online School) and hopes to have this as an option next school year. The leadership class at South Verde has been working on school safety and are currently working on lockdown scenarios.

The Principals answered questions and had dialog with members of the Council under the Principals Report to include:

- A request to attempt to hire a person of color to teach at the High School.
- The criteria for extra-curricular field trips at the Middle School being the same as other extra-curricular activities.
- How the increased enrollment is expected to increase the budget.
- The annual budget adoption hearings that take place in July, prior to July 15, and revisions taking place as the actual funding comes in throughout the year.
- The Title IV grant monies, to be used for well-rounded education, being used for the incoming mental health program at the High School.

Other points of interest covered under the Principals report were:

- An initiative to bring more drug awareness and education, age appropriate, to younger students.
- Good communications with the Yavapai-Apache Chief of Police and the Camp Verde Town Marshal.
- Graduation dates: May 21, South Verde High School; May 22, Camp Verde Middle School Promotion; May 23, Camp Verde High School.
- An invitation for Chairwoman Jane Russell-Winiecki to sit on the stage with the Governing Board for the Graduation events.
- The monthly site reports that are being shared with the Council.

B. SURVEY, FROM THE SPEED OF TRUST

Mr. Howe explained the Board and school administrators had participated in a book study. One of the things that came out of that was the survey. This group would be the first to pilot the survey that he hopes to distribute to parents at a later date. He explained the feedback would be scheduled for discussion during the next Joint-Work Session. There was some discussion on having the next meeting earlier, so the feedback can be considered before starting the new school year.

6. CLOSING STATEMENTS FROM ADMINISTRATOR MR. HOWE AND ADJOURNMENT

7.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by the CVUSD Board: Mrs. Freeman moved, seconded by Mr. Roth, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Ayes: Roth, Freeman, and German

Nays: 0