

# Minutes of Regular Governing Board Meeting

## Monday, October 9, 2023

### Oracle Elementary School District No.2

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of Oracle Elementary School District No.2 was held Monday, October 9, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m., via Zoom, due to the Fall Break Holiday.

#### 1. Call to Order

Board President Linda Lyon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – Board members present:

Linda Lyon, Board President

Gary Terrell, Member

Camilo Gotay, Member

Wendy Odell, Member

Edie Crall, Vice President – not present, excused

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Gotay moved to approve the agenda, Mr. Terrell seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

#### 3. Communications and Call to the Public

Superintendent Nehrmeyer read the Call to the Public. There were no Calls to the Public this month.

#### 4. Approval of Consent Agenda

##### A. Approval of Minutes

Regular Governing Board Meeting – September 11, 2023

Special Governing Board Meeting – September 12, 2023

Special Governing Board Meeting – October 2, 2023

B. Ratification of Vouchers – no vouchers or financial statements were brought to the Governing Board for approval this month due to the loss of data from the Pinal County School's Office Cyberattack during the last week of September 2023. Vouchers and financial reports will be brought to the Governing Board for review and approval during the November 2023 Regular Meeting.

C. Resolution – District Bank Signers

D. Arizona School Facilities Board Annual Reports

E. Extra-Curricular Stipends Spreadsheet for SY 23/24 - Update

F. District Disposals – Copy Machine

G. Gifts and Donations

- Paver Patio for Mt. Vista Kindergarten Prep Program from Oracle Schools Foundation
- Bottled Water for Hope Walk from SaddleBrooke Rotary Club
- Comfort Stations/Porta-Potties for Hope Walk from Oracle Schools Foundation
- Lockdown Kits from SaddleBrooke Rotary Club

H. Upcoming Events

Events in **bold** are recommended events for Governing Board members to attend:

- October 6: Hope Walk, all morning**
- October 9-13: Fall Break, No school
- October 16: PTO Meeting, 5:30 PM
- October 17: Capital Bond Open House, 5:00 – 7:00 PM**
- October 20: Quarter 2 Honors Assembly, morning
- October 21: Cornhole Tournament hosted by Chef Macaluso, Ore House
- October 31: Halloween Costume Parade, 1:00 PM
- October 31: Trunk or Treat, 5:00-7:00 PM**
- November 7: Election Day, District Office open for voting during polling hours
- November 9: Veteran’s Day Assembly, morning**
- November 10: Veteran’s Day Holiday, no school
- November 13-15 Second District Audit, all day
- November 15-17 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- November 20: PTO Meeting, 5:30 PM
- November 22-24: Thanksgiving Holiday, no school
- November 30: Science Fair, evening in Mt. Vista Gym**
- December 8: Winter Student Council Dance for Grades 6-8, 6:00-8:00 PM
- December 19: Holiday Concert, 6:00 PM**
- December 20: Preschool Holiday Concert, 9:00 AM**
- December 21: Last Day of Fall Semester
- December 21: Fueling the Future Grocery Distribution, afternoon**
- December 25 –
- January 5: Winter Break, no school
- January 8: Spring Semester Begins

Mrs. Odell moved and Mr. Gotay seconded approval of consent agenda as presented, all in favor, motion carried.

5. **Superintendent’s Report.**

Mrs. Nehrmeier provided a report to the Governing Board regarding events, projects, programs, and recognitions that have taken place or are in progress since the September 2023 Regular meeting of the Governing Board. The report included:

- Hope Week 2023 Update – we had an incredible Hope Week, with a theme on physical health and mental health. We had presentations from the Pinal County Health

Department and Pinal County Sherriff's Department. Our staff came together to make this a meaningful and educational week for our students.

- Math Masters Program Update – we now have 25 grade level Math Masters, and more students are earning the Math Master title each day.
- Pinal County School's Office Cybersecurity Report and letter from Jill Broussard, Pinal County School Superintendent. Mrs. Lyon added that she and the Governing Board thank our employees for their patience during this cyberattack and its effects.
- Arizona Department of Education announced that Mt. Vista K-8 School is no longer in targeted school improvement for the special needs subgroup of students. This decision is based on academic growth in test results from the Spring 2023 AASA. Mt. Vista K-8 School has been in targeted school improvement since 2019. This is a big accomplishment for the students, staff, and Mt. Vista community.

## **6. Sale of Oracle Ridge Report**

Superintendent Nehrmeyer shared the following:

- We continue to be at a standstill, awaiting communication and a clear directive from the District's legal counsel regarding next steps for procurement. Superintendent Nehrmeyer will continue to reach out and ask for counsel.

## **7. Capital Bond Report**

Superintendent Nehrmeyer shared the following:

- Review of our original projects to complete, which are currently at 99%
- Plans are underway for our Capital Bond Open House, on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

## **8. Annual Capital Bond Report**

Superintendent Nehrmeyer and Mrs. Dawn Ruiz provided the District's Annual Capital Bond Report, which included a review of capital bond expenses over the past five fiscal years. The opportunity for public comment was made. No public comment was made. Superintendent Nehrmeyer shared the precise alignment between what the District said they would do with the capital bond (safety and health upgrades, pupil transportation vehicle purchases, new construction) and what has been done. Superintendent Nehrmeyer credited the Governing Board for their role as the District's Capital Bond Oversight Committee and monthly reports that have been made to the Governing Board regarding the plans, expenses, and delivery.

## **9. Annual Maintenance and Operations Override Report**

Superintendent Nehrmeyer and Mrs. Dawn Ruiz provided the District's Annual M&O Override Report. The opportunity for public comment was made, although no comments were shared by the public. Mrs. Ruiz shared our actual FY 22/23 M&O Override allocations and our projected FY 23/24 allocations. She shared that allocations are based on student enrollment, calculated at the 40<sup>th</sup> day of school and the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. The District continues to use the M&O

Override as we told voters we would, for full day kindergarten, smaller class sizes, special student programs, and competitive wages to recruit and retain the best possible staff.

**10. Discussion and request for approval of the Superintendent's Performance Goals for SY 23/24.**

Superintendent Nehrmeyer recommended approval of Performance Goals, based on the District's Goals and as discussed by the Governing Board during a special meeting on October 2. 80% of the goals directly target student achievement and 20% of the goals target community and parent involvement at Mt. Vista K-8 School. Mr. Gotay moved and Mr. Terrell seconded approval, all in favor, approved.

**11. Discussion and first read of the Arizona School Board Association's (ASBA) Policy Advisories 748-762. NO action recommended, a second read and possible approval will be brought to the Governing Board in November.**

Superintendent Nehrmeyer shared that the advisories are 55 pages in length and plans to cross-reference the advisories from ASBA with what was shared by The Trust. She will bring comparisons and recommendations to the Board in November.

**12. Discussion and possible approval for a Governing Board Resolution urging the Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) to reaffirm its commitment to ethical conduct, transparency, and accountability.**

Mrs. Lyon shared a resolution created and signed by the combined governing boards of Pima County. She explained the need for such a resolution, as a past president of ASBA. After discussion, our Governing Board decided to establish such a resolution on our own and lead the way in Pinal County. Mr. Gotay moved and Mrs. Odell seconded, all in favor, approved.

**13. Discussion and request for approval of the following personnel matters that have occurred since the September Regular Meeting of the Governing Board.**

New Positions

Michelle Bills, Substitute Teacher

Tiffani Webster, Substitute Teacher (in addition to current role as Floating Aide)

Athletics

Referee/Umpire Rates for SY 23/24 (no changes from SY 22/23)

Superintendent Nehrmeyer recommended approval of the items above. Mr. Gotay moved and Mr. Terrell seconded approval, all in favor, approved.

**14. Future Meeting Dates and Topics:**

Thursday, October 19, 2023 at 9:00 AM on Zoom Only - Special Meeting of the Governing Board to review and approve the District's Annual Financial Report. Meeting ID 964 544 1210, Passcode OracleESD2.

Monday, November 6, 2023 at 4:30 PM – Special Meeting of the Governing Board to be held at Mt. Vista K-8 School in the Growth Room. To include the Superintendent’s Annual Evaluation in Executive Session, A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A1).

Monday, November 6, 2023 at 6:00 PM – Regular Meeting of the Governing Board to be held at MT. Vista K-8 School in the Growth Room and on Zoom, Meeting ID 964 544 1210, Passcode OracleESD2. Meeting to include a second read of ASBA Policy Advisories 748-762 from the 56<sup>th</sup> Arizona Legislature, First Regular Session, 2023 and the include the Superintendent’s State of the District Report.

Monday, December 4, 2023 at 6:00 PM – Regular Meeting of the Governing Board to be held at Mt. Vista K-8 School in the Growth Room and on Zoom, Meeting ID 964 544 1210, Passcode OracleESD2. Meeting to include the District’s Revised Budget for SY 23/24, if necessary, per the Arizona Department of Education.

At this time, Governing Board Members may request items to be considered and included on the agenda of a future meeting.

**15. Adjournment**

Mr. Gotay moved and Mrs. Odell seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m., all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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