

Minutes of Regular Governing Board Meeting Monday, February 12, 2024 Oracle Elementary School District No.2

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of Oracle Elementary School District No.2 was held Monday, February 12, 2024, beginning at 6:00 p.m., at Mountain Vista K-8 School Library, 2618 W El Paseo, Oracle, Arizona, 85623, and via ZOOM.

1. Call to Order

Board President Wendy Odell called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and Mr. Terrell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – Board members present:
Wendy Odell, Board President
Edie Crall, Board Vice-President
Gary Terrell, Member
Camilo Gotay, Member
Linda Lyon, Member

Also present:
Crystle Nehrmeyer, Superintendent
Shannon Soule, Principal
Brigette Martin, Budget and Finance Analyst
Allison Hendrix, District Office Director

2. Approval of Agenda

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

3. Communications and Call to the Public

Mrs. Crall read the Call to the Public. There were no Calls to the Public this month.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes

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B. Ratification of Vouchers

1. Payroll Vouchers

V 23 \$64,759.57	V 27 \$64,684.74	V 31 \$64,584.95	V 35 \$64,834.40
V 24 \$84,685.45	V 28 \$35,095.32	V 32 \$69,901.55	V 36 \$765.82
V 25 \$2,757.24	V 29 \$64,584.95	V 33 \$2,757.24	
V 26 \$90,912.00	V 30 \$82,670.60	V 34 \$86,771.36	

Expenditure Vouchers

V 2425 \$31,316.82

V 2426 \$6,933.00

V 2427 \$21,188.19

- C. Capital Bond Spending Report as of February 6, 2024
- D. Financial Reports
- E. Out of School Suspension Report – none since the January Governing Board meeting
- F. Resolution – District Bank Signers effective February 13, 2024 and change of Student Activities Treasure from Brigette Martin to Danielle Maestas, effective February 13, 2024
- G. Extended School Day Programming for Spring 2024 - Ratify
- H. Updated SY 2023-2024 Referee and Umpire Pay Scale – Ratify
- I. Gifts and Donations
 - Oracle Union Church – Clothing Donation for Mt. Vista students
- J. District Disposals
 - Bus #14 (District Tag #8033) – Trade for new Bus # 23
- K. Upcoming Events

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

5. Mrs. Nehrmeyer recognized Mia Ellis, Bus Aide as the District's Exceptional Employee for the Month of February 2024. Ms. Ellis is a Bus Aide for one of our CDO High School routes and is nominated based on her excellent attendance and support to students while they ride the school bus.
6. Mrs. Nehrmeyer recognized of Colt Nehrmeyer, 8th Grade Mt. Vista student as the District's Exceptional Student for the Month of February 2024. Colt was selected to be a student panelist for the "Arizona Gifted Students: Our Present Guides our Future" Conference on February 7, 2024.
7. Mrs. Nehrmeyer introduced Heidi Radtke, K-12 Literacy Coordinator at the Amphitheater Unified School District. Ms. Radtke gave a presentation to the Governing Board regarding the Science of Reading.

8. Mrs. Nehrmeyer led a discussion regarding the 2024-2025 District Calendar. She stated that the current District Calendar includes a consistent start time of 7:50 AM and end time of 2:10 PM, each day. One reason why the bell schedule was changed to include a consistent start and end time each day was to increase student attendance. Mrs. Nehrmeyer shared student attendance data, which shows overall daily student attendance increasing and Wednesday attendance improving from 90% last school year to a current 93% this school year.

Mrs. Odell moved to approve the proposed 2024-2025 District calendar. Mr. Gotay seconded approval, all in favor, approved.

9. Mrs. Nehrmeyer shared a request to create a new job description and position for the remainder of the current school year as well as for future school years. Mrs. Nehrmeyer described the need for a substitute paraprofessional position to help cover the responsibilities and duties of paraprofessionals when they are not available or off campus. Discussion was held. Mrs. Crall moved to approve new employment for a Substitute Paraprofessional and Mrs. Lyon seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Nehrmeyer asked the Governing Board to table a discussion or request for approval of a Certified Library Teacher position for the 2024-2025 school year at this time. The discussion was tabled for a future meeting.

10. Mrs. Nehrmeyer requested approval of Certified Teaching Contracts for the 2024-2025 school year. She shared that contracts would be available for current, certified teachers on February 13, 2024 and will be due, signed to the District Office within 15 business days, on March 7, 2024. Mrs. Nehrmeyer shared that employment contracts and work agreements for all non-certified teaching staff will be brought to the Governing Board for approval during the March Regular Meeting of the Governing Board.

Mr. Gotay moved to approve the certified teacher contract and list of current teachers to receive contracts, Mr. Terrell seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

11. Mrs. Nehrmeyer recommended approval of personnel matters that have occurred since the January 2024 Regular Meeting of the Governing Board which include:

Resignations and Retirements

Otilia Baeza, Custodian (effective June 30, 2024)

Victoria Sanchez, School Van Driver

Ratify Spring Athletics Budget and Staffing (please see attached spreadsheet)

Dale Tom, Head Coach Softball

Amber Cruea, Assistant Coach Softball

George Garcia, Head Coach Baseball

Vanessa Garcia, Assistant Coach Baseball

Jose Cardona, Head Coach Track and Field

Brady Whitman, Assistant Coach Track and Field

Mrs. Lyon moved to approve the personnel matters as listed above, and Mr. Gotay seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

12. Mrs. Nehrmeyer shared the Superintendent’s Report for the month of February which included:
- Mt. Vista K-8 School Governing Board Dashboard for February 2024 with student attendance, current enrollment, timelines as the District plans for the upcoming school year.
 - An email sent to the Arizona Department of Education as well as examples of curriculum and resources used by Mt. Vista teachers to show the District’s compliance with required instruction of the Holocaust. She shared that the Holocaust is taught to 7th and 8th graders in both Social Studies as well as Reading and Writing classes.
 - Capital Bond Projects Update – the purchase of Bus #23, which will be delivered on February 13, 2024. This bus will be used for one of our CDO High School daily routes. It will include security cameras, Wifi for student use, and air conditioning.
 - Oracle Ridge Property Sale Update – the property is listed and available for viewing through Oracle Land and Homes. Mrs. Nehrmeyer reminded the Board and the community that when the property sells, the proceeds will go towards paying down the capital bond approved by voters in 2019.
13. Mrs. Odell led a discussion regarding Call to the Public procedures and guidelines. Mrs. Odell stated that District Policy BEDH describes expectations for public participation at Governing Board meetings and the Call to the Public. She shared that the District has procedures in place for staff or community to express concerns or grievances with staff, but in a Call to the Public, cannot respond or address concerns. Mrs. Odell read language included in the Call to the Public from the Amphitheater School District and Tucson Unified School District and plans to include this language in future Calls to the Public for our District. The language calls for staff and community members to use the appropriate channels with school administration or district administration to express grievances first and then address the Board in writing, if necessary.
14. Mrs. Nehrmeyer shared the following Future Meeting Dates and Topics with the Governing Board:
- Monday, March 11, 2024 at 6:00 PM: Regular Meeting of the Governing Board. To be held at Mountain Vista K-8 School Growth Room and on Zoom. To include Employment Contracts for hourly and salary staff for SY 2024-2025.
- Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM: Regular Meeting of the Governing Board. To be held at Mountain Vista K-8 School Growth Room and on Zoom.
- At this time, Governing Board Members may request items to be considered and included on the agenda of a future meeting.
15. Adjournment
- Mrs. Crall moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Terrell seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Wendy Odell
Board President

Board Member

Board Vice President

Board Member

Board Member

Minutes approved March 11, 2024