

MINUTES

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING-THATCHER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, May 12, 2022 5:30 p.m.
District Conference Center, 3490 W. Main St., Thatcher, AZ

Dr. Gary Sorensen, President
Kate McCluskey, Member

Jenni Bryce, Clerk
Kenny Smith, Member

Dr. Debbie Chapman, Member
Matt Petersen, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Board President Dr. Gary Sorensen at 5:32 p.m. All board members present with the exception of Board Member Kate McCluskey.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes of April 14, 2022

Motion by Dr. Debbie Chapman to approve agenda and minutes as submitted.

Second by Kenny Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Summary of Current Events & Activities

Superintendent Mr. Petersen advised-

- Current Enrollment 1829. Last year 1775
- Finalized building level Action Plans
- Kindergarten Round-up-120 students registered
- Open-Enrollment-at capacity. Eagle Online Academy is currently open & accepting students
- Summer Hours-Beginning May 23, 2022 the District will be on a 4/10 work schedule
- Student registration opens July 1, 2022. The District Office will be available in assisting parents with the registration process July 26, 2022 thru July 28, 2022
- Summer Projects
 - Strip/Waxing Floors
 - THS Commons
 - School entry and walkways
 - Refinish Gym Floors
 - THS
 - TMS
 - Carpet cleaning throughout the District
 - Temporary Walls Replaced
 - JDPS
 - THS
 - Town of Thatcher IGA-currently in discussions with the Thatcher Town Manager for the upcoming renewal of the IGA

District Counseling Team offered a slideshow presentation expressing the various ways they tend to the students of TUSD No. 4 social and emotional needs. A yearly calendar has been developed for the 22/23 school year listing direct and indirect services to students along with program planning and school support for each month.

Call to the Public

N/A

Approval/Ratification of Financial Matters

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve/ratify payroll and expense vouchers dated (April 14, 2022 thru May 11, 2022) & budget balance reports dated (April 30, 2022).

Second by Dr. Debbie Chapman.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of Staff Changes (*Contingent on file clearance, as applicable)

Motion by Jenni Bryce to approve staff changes as submitted.

Classified: 22/23 Jadey Skinner/JDPS 15 HR/WK Instructional Aide, 22/23 Jed Bigler/TMS ISS Aide

Transfers: 22/Summer Bryany Morris/TES Long Term Substitute to General Maintenance, 22/23 Luke Ochoa/THS Spanish Teacher to Boys PE Weights Teacher, Duane Richins/Hardware Technician II to Network Assistant, 22/23 Courtney Hansen JDPS 1st Grade Teacher to TES 5th Grade Teacher, 22/23 Maile Pulsipher/JDPS 1st Grade Instructional Aide to Kindergarten Aide, 22/23 Amber Mullenau/JDPS 25 HR/WK Instructional Aide to 15 HR/WK Instructional Aide, 22/23 Maya Martinez/TMS 8th Grade Computers Teacher to Math Teacher, 22/23 Phil Oliver TMS Math Teacher to 8th Grade Computers Teacher

Certified: Ryan Conrad/CTE Director-Perkins Grant, 22/23 Lisa James/TES 5th & 6th Grade SPED Teacher

Resignations: Hal Skinner/TES 6th Grade Teacher, Forester Flake/TMS ISS Aide, Savanna White/THS Inclusion Aide, Morgan Matthews/TES 5th Grade Teacher, Kaitlynn Rasmussen/JDPS Inclusion Aide, Ethan McBride/THS Science Teacher, Julie Cook/TES 6th Grade Teacher, Kara Hall/TES 3rd Grade Teacher, Leslie Bingham/TES AMPT Teacher

Second by Dr. Debbie Chapman.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

THS Football Uniform Color Addition (discussion)

Three Thatcher High School football student athletes presented a proposal to the Governing Board in considering using black as an additional color to the football uniforms. They also expressed wishing to proudly wear "Thatcher" on their chest as part the uniform design. Discussion was given amongst the gallery and Governing Board Members.

Approval Color of Athletic Uniforms

Motion by Jenni Bryce to approve the color of black to the football uniform.

Second by Dr. Debbie Chapman.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce & Dr. Debbie Chapman)

(Nyes: Kenny Smith & Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Motion Not Passed.

Approval of Golf Coach Stipend-Luke Ochoa

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve the Golf Coach Stipend to Luke Ochoa.

Second by Dr. Debbie Chapman.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of Revised Expenditure Budget

Motion by Dr. Debbie Chapman to approved the revised expenditure budget.

Second by Jenni Bryce.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Roll Call Vote: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith & Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of FBLA to Chicago for National Conference June 27, 2022 thru July 3, 2022

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve travel of FBLA to Chicago to attend the National Conference June 27, 2022 thru July 3, 2022.

Second by Dr. Gary Sorensen.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of Salary Increases Classified 4%, Administrative 4% & Extra-Curricular 10%

Motion by Jenni Bryce to approve salary increases of 4% to classified and administrative. A 10% increase to extra-curricular.

Second by Kenny Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of Salary Schedules (Classified, Administrative, Extra-Curricular & Extra-Duty)

Motion by Jenni Bryce to approve the salary schedules for classified, administrative, extra-curricular and extra-duty positions.

Second by Kenny Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of Additional Special Education Teacher (K-2 Self-Contained) (ESSER)

Motion by Dr. Debbie Chapman to approved the additional Special Education Teacher K-2 self-contained teaching position.

Second by Jenni Bryce.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Jenni Bryce, Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Next regularly scheduled board meeting: June 23, 2022 District Administrative Center

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, motion by Kenny Smith to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

Second by Dr. Debbie Chapman.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

Dr. Gary Sorensen, President

Mrs. Jenni Bryce, Clerk