



Continental

Elementary School District #39

**Monday, April 11, 2022
Governing Board Regular Meeting Agenda**

**Continental School District No. 39
1991 E. White House Canyon Rd
Green Valley, AZ 85614
Monday, April 11, 2022
Administration Building, Board Room
4:30 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mr. Oesterle called the Governing Board meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mr. Ulery led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Governing Board Members present were: Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle. Kelley Allen, arrived late at 4:41 p.m.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - ACTION

Board member Richard Ulery requested that Consent Agenda Item 10 P. - Approval and Ratification of Vouchers, be moved to Report Items 11 B.

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to approve the agenda with the modification of Agenda Item 10 P now Agenda Item 11 B, Board Member Richard Ulery second the motion.

Aye/Yes: Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed. Kelley Allen, absent.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Request for Executive Session

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 4:38 p.m., Board Member Richard Ulery second the motion.

Aye/Yes: Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed. Kelley Allen, absent.

B. Results of Executive Session

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to approve the Annual Superintendent's Summative Evaluation as discussed in Executive Session, Board Member Kelley Allen second the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

The Governing Board returned to regular session at 6:00 p.m.

6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public speakers.

7. ADMIN REPORT

A. Director of Special Education's Report

Superintendent Roxana Rico presented on behalf of Director of Special Education, Stacie Schaefer-Bertram. She noted from the list of State Board approved tests of gifted evaluations, the CogAT was chosen. This is a Riverside Insights evaluation. We utilize other academic evaluations from this site for identification of students with exceptional special needs. Students K-8 are identified after being referred through multi-modal methods.

Teacher referral, parent referral and NWEA Maps scores are reviewed to identify students achieving at or above the 94th percentile. Cognitive and academic evaluations include but are not limited to The Cognitive Ability Test/CogAt, Students are served who attain a score at or above the 94th %ile. Additional evidence may be submitted to support additional testing or probationary placement. Additional meetings may be held and evidence is presented in support of the student's abilities. Information from achievement testing (State assessments, AIMS, and NWEA), observations, and samples of the child's work can be offered as support.

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Gifted students qualify for an IEP. Gifted students identified as scoring in the 94th percentile or above are eligible for gifted extensions to classroom instruction.

We are touring Sopori in Amado with Sahuarita School District to provide additional services for our students. ADE multiplier allocates 75.00/student to fund gifted education.

B. Preschool Director's Report

Director of Preschool, Jenny Lichtsinn presented to the board the state of the preschool. Currently there are 44 students in preschool; 24 in the Dual Language Enrichment class, 14 students in the Special Education class and 10 in the general education class. She shared that currently 27 of the students will be heading into kindergarten in the fall.

Mrs. Lichtsinn stated that tuition for the 2022-2023 school year will remain the same. The preschool hours are from 7:15a.m. to 5:00p.m. Full time, full day is \$160 per week (based upon a \$32 day), Part-time sessions are \$26 per day (AM or PM), Two, three & five day schedules, Afterschool care is a flat \$60 per week and including early out days and a \$50 registration fee yearly is charged on each child's first day.

She noted Special Education students do not pay for inclusion (Part B Fed Funds) and that the Department of Economic Security Assistance is being provided for about 3-4 children yearly.

In the preschool the staff consists of one teacher/directors, 3 paraprofessionals, 2 support staff members and 1 afterschool assistant. Mrs. Lichtsinn shared that as of April 4, 2022, revenue for the Preschool is \$185,677.49 and expenditure is \$121,207.75 (93.33% of expenditures are on salary/benefits).

8. SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Mrs. Rico-Beaucage provided an update on attendance for the day (4/11/2022), 53 students were absent and 0 on quarantine/isolation. Registration for next school year is slow and steady. Mrs. Rico-Beaucage provided an update on where our students are. Based on Pima County Records 104 students are being homeschooled; 29 elementary, 32 middle school and 43 high school students. This school year 94 students have withdrawn from CESD.

Mrs. Rico-Beaucage shared that we did not have the parental and student participation that we anticipated to gather information on our next steps and refinements of our school procedures and curriculum needs from the Town Hall held on April 5th.

She also provided update to recent events that took place; Student Advisory meeting and Family Science Night held in March. On April 9th the first CESD Job Fair was held at the school and applications were received and interviews were conducted on site.

Mrs. Rico-Beaucage explained responses to Call to the Public. Our Continental Administrative Team responds to questions in Call to the Public with direct contact with

our constituents as soon as possible. Questions are resolved with the appropriate staff and it is always our goal to reach a win-win situation. We continue to encourage Governing Board Members to refer parents and community members directly to the site to resolve questions or concerns. We are working on updating our Teaching and Learning/Curriculum on our website which will be completed by the end of the summer. Page will consist of AZ College and Career Ready Standards, links to existing curriculum and book lists used in all content areas. We will work diligently to ensure we are complying with any and all legislative bills that are passed, which require our attention.

9. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A. Introduction of Colt of the Month Students

Mrs. Cuevas will present those students in attendance who have earned the distinction of "Colt of the Month" by exhibiting outstanding character traits in the categories of being kind, responsible, and/or safe.

B. Continental Employee of the Month - Golden Horseshoe

Administration presented the Golden Horseshoe Award to Continental Elementary School District employees; Mrs. Mejia and Mr. Ben Petersdorff.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. March 21, 2022 Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes
- B. Field Trip Request for AVID Students
- C. Field Trip Request 5th Grade to Tombstone, AZ.
- D. Field Trip Request 3rd Grade to Sonoran Desert Museum
- E. Field Trip Request 2nd Grade to Sonoran Desert Museum
- F. Field Trip Request 8th Grade – Tucson Jewish Museum and Holocaust Center on May 5th and Desert Sky Cinema on May 6th
- G. Field Trip Request – Instrumental Ensembles – Anaheim, CA, Spring 2022
- H. New Certified Staff for 2022-2023
- I. Classified Staff for school year 2022-23
- J. Administrative Staff for school year 2022-23
- K. Resignations – Vanessa Delgado – Preschool Paraprofessional, Claudia Fernandez – 2nd Grade Teacher, Kris Godfrty – School Counselor, Laurie Merenick – 1st Grade Teacher
- L. Additions to the Substitute Roster
- M. Irene Telles as Playground Monitor
- N. Leave of Absence – Norma Dorame
- O. Summer Academic Support and Enrichment Program
- P. ~~Approval and Ratification of Vouchers~~ *Agenda Item 10 P now agenda item 11B*

Board Member Richard Ulery made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with a correction in the Minutes from March 21st. The minutes are to reflect that Mr. Ulery accepted the FY 2021 Financial Statements and USFR Audit Report. Board Member Kelley Allen seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

11. REPORT ITEMS

A. District Financial Report

Business Service Manager, Mr. Schubert recommended approval of District Financial Report as of April 5, 2022.

Board Member Richard Ulery made a motion to approve the District Financial Report as of April 5, 2022, Board Member Andrew McGibbon second the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

B. Approval and Ratification of Vouchers

Business Service Manager, Mr. Schubert recommended approval and ratification of vouchers. Board Member Richard Ulery had questions but also commented that due to the amount of questions on vouchers this item should not be in the Consent Agenda of future meetings. Mr. Ulery noted he could not see the voucher number for payroll, and Mrs. Cristina Alonso verified the voucher number and provided that information at the meeting. Mr. Ulery had a second question regarding the payroll vouchers for Martha Hoff and for Martha Cruz. He stated they were new hires for the 2022-2023 school year and wanted an explanation of payment. Mr. Schubert explained both Martha Hoff and Martha Cruz are current substitute teachers and that is why they were receiving payroll payment at this time.

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion for approval and ratification of vouchers, Board Member Kelley Allen seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. Gifted Education Scope and Sequence

Administration recommended approval of the Gifted Education Scope and Sequence as presented.

Board Member Richard Ulery made a motion to continue this item to the May Board Meeting, Board Member Andrew McGibbon seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

B. Revision to 2022-2023 School Calendar

Mrs. Rico explained that due to an oversight on needed records day prior to fall break the request is being made to approve the revised 2022-2023 school calendar.

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to approve the revised school calendar for the 2022-23 school year, Board Member Shelley Kais seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

C. Adult Meal Price Increase

Mr. Greg Schubert recommended approval of adult meal price increase to \$4.85, effective April 18, 2022. After an administrative review conducted by ADE on our Food Service Program, we are required to increase our adult meal pricing to \$4.85. The reasoning for this increase as stated by the auditor was that the meal that the adult rate should have gone to a child and the district needs to "recoup" the cost of the child's meal and the reimbursement for that meal. The current reimbursement rate for a free lunch is \$4.5625 and the Current USDA food value is set at \$0.2450. This increase will not affect a la carte meal pricing. A la carte pricing will remain where it currently is.

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to increase the adult meal price to \$4.85 effective April 18, 2022, Board Member Shelley Kais seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

D. Authorization for Superintendent to Approve Fundraisers

Administration recommended approval to authorize the Superintendent to approve fundraisers. Following another finding from the last audit, the District is submitting for approval that the Superintendent be authorized to approve fundraiser in the following categories: Clothing, Food /Snacks/Concessions, Gate fees for athletic and performing arts events, School Dances Banner and other types of advertising. Any other fundraising requests will be brought to the board for consideration and approvals. Board Policy JJE states that fundraising activities by students on school premises or elsewhere as representatives of the school will be permitted only for the types of fundraising activities approved by the Governing Board and when connected with specific activities approved by the Superintendent.

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to approve authorization for Superintendent to approve fundraisers, Board Member Kelley Allen seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

E. Mesa Unified School District and Continental Elementary School District Intergovernmental Agreement Extension

Administration recommended approval of the Mesa Unified School District and Continental Elementary School District Intergovernmental Agreement Extension. The Intergovernmental Agreement with Mesa Unified School District is for services and resources related to Mesa Distance Learning Program Services, which offers courses for students who may require online courses throughout the year.

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to extend the intergovernmental agreement with Mesa Unified School District and Continental Elementary School District, Board Member Kelley Allen seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

F. New Bus Lease Option

Administration recommended approval of leasing five (5) buses for the Continental School district.

Board Member Kelley Allen made a motion to approve leasing five buses, Board Member Andrew McGibbon seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Shelley Kais, Andrew McGibbon, Richard Ulery and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed.

G. Employee Benefit Proposal for 2022-23

Administration recommended approval of the employee benefit proposal for 2022-23. Mr. Ben Palumbo with Gallagher was on the phone line available to answer questions that the Governing Board had.

Board Member Andrew McGibbon made a motion to approve the insurance package for FY 23 as recommended, Board Member Kelley Allen seconds the motion.

Aye/Yes: Kelley Allen, Andrew McGibbon and Stephen Oesterle, motion passed. Shelley Kais and Richard Ulery abstained.

14. BOARD AND SCHOOL EVENTS

A. March/April Events

April 4 - Track Meet at Sahuarita High School 3:45pm

April 5 - Town Hall 5:30pm in the Cafeteria

April 9 - Meet & Greet Job Fair at Continental ESD 9am - Noon

April 11 - Track Meet at Rio Rico 3:45pm

April 11 - Governing Board Meeting and Executive Session at 4:30pm

April 12 - Math Family Night 4:30-6pm Cafeteria

April 15 - Spring Holiday No School April 23 - Saturday School

April 25 - Track Meet at Continental 3:45pm

April 26 - Learning Walks

May 9 - Governing Board Meeting at 4:45pm

May 11 - Career Day

May 17 - Kindergarten Promotion 9am

May 17 - Preschool Promotion 10am, 2pm and 2:30pm

May 17 - Senior Walk 10:30-11:30am

May 18 - 8th Grade Promotion 9am

May 19 - Half Day/Last Day of School/Splash Day

May 20 - Records Day May 30 - Memorial Day

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items requested.

16. GOVERNING BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Governing Board member Richard Ulery asked if a decision had been made on ELA Curriculum. Mrs. Rico explained that the curriculum has been on display for 60 days and will go before the board for approval at the May meeting.

Governing Board President Stephen Oesterle announced that the school is looking for volunteers to help with Splash Day, which is held on the last day of school.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.