

BONITA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16
18008 South Fort Grant Road
Bonita, Arizona 85643

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
July 12, 2021

Date, Time & Place of meeting The Regular Meeting of the Governing Board was held in the District Office.

Board Members Present Mr. Kolin Kramme, President and Cyndee Smith.
Mrs. Wende Macumber was absent

Administrators Present Mr. Jonathan Truschke Superintendent

Visitors Present Mrs. Cheryl Childers, Wayne and Cyndi Brewster

Call to Order Mr. Kramme called the meeting to order following the truth in taxation budget hearing at 8:00, leading to the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Approval of Agenda A MOTION to approve the agenda was made by Mrs. Smith. The MOTION was SECONDED by Mr. Kramme and CARRIED.

| Name | Aye | Nay | Abstain |
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| Kramme | X | | |
| Macumber | AB | | |
| Smith | X | | |

Comments of Visitors There were no comments.

Consent Agenda Mrs. Smith MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda. The MOTION was SECONDED by Mr. Kramme and CARRIED.

| Name | Aye | Nay | Abstain |
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| Kramme | X | | |
| Macumber | AB | | |
| Smith | X | | |

The Consent Agenda consisted of Minutes of the budget hearing/work study and Regular Meeting of June 14, 2021 and the special meeting of June 27,

Consent Agenda

2021, expense and payroll vouchers and Auxiliary and Activity Accounts and grant entitlements for the month of June, 2021.

Budget Approval

Mr. Truschke announced that the Proposed Budget was approved and published on the Bonita District website for a ten day period prior to the public Budget Hearing. The Board must adopt a budget no later than July 15, he said. A copy of the adopted budget must then be electronically submitted to the Superintendent of Public Instruction no later than July 18. The budget would be \$2,667,818.00 and the tax rate would remain at 6.445. Mr. Truschke recommended that the Board approve and adopt the budget for fiscal year 2021-2022.

A MOTION to approve and adopt the budget as presented was made by Mrs. Smith. The MOTION was SECONDED by Mr. Kramme and CARRIED.

| Name | Aye | Nay | Abstain |
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| Kramme | X | | |
| Macumber | AB | | |
| Smith | X | | |

Reauthorization of Accounts

Mr. Truschke explained that the District operates four checking accounts in order to efficiently transact the daily business of the school. He announced that the authorized check signers for the Revolving, Activity, Auxiliary and Employee Benefits Account will be: Cheryl Childers, Jonathan Truschke and Cynthia Brewster. Authorized check signers for the Food Services Revolving Account will be Peggy Johnson, Cheryl Childers, Jonathan Truschke and Cynthia Brewster.

It was Mr. Truschke’s recommendation that the Board authorize the above employees as signers on the respective accounts, and to continue the operation of the accounts mentioned for the 2021-22 school year.

Reauthorization of Accounts

Mrs. Smith MOVED to approve the signers on the accounts and to continue the operation of the accounts for the 2021-22 school year. The MOTION was SECONDED by Mr. Kramme and CARRIED.

| Name | Aye | Nay | Abstain |
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| Kramme | X | | |
| Macumber | AB | | |
| Smith | X | | |

ASBA Membership and Policy Services Subscription

The Superintendent informed those present that renewing membership and the annual subscription agreement with ASBA (Arizona School Boards Association) will insure services for our District to stay in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and policies. The ASBA annual membership dues for 2021-2022 will be \$479.00. The ASBA yearly fee for policy services is \$2,892.00 for the 2021-2022 which is the same fee paid for current year.

Mrs. Smith MOVED to approve the membership with ASBA and the subscription agreement for policy services with ASBA for the 2021-22 school year. The MOTION was SECONDED by Mr. Kramme and CARRIED.

| Name | Aye | Nay | Abstain |
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| Kramme | X | | |
| Macumber | AB | | |
| Smith | X | | |

Substitute Teacher List

Mr. Truschke explained that the District needs to maintain a Board approved qualified pool of substitute teachers, and asked that the Board approve the following list of substitute teachers for the 2020-21 school year:

- Vonnie Hedges
- Bonnie Barton
- Joan Bull
- Tommy Navarrete
- Carol Navarrete
- Amy Truschke
- Dan Crothers
- Jamie Crothers
- Deb Larned

A MOTION to approve as presented was made by Mrs. Smith. The MOTION was SECONDED by Mr. Kramme and CARRIED.

| Name | Aye | Nay | Abstain |
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| Kramme | X | | |
| Macumber | AB | | |
| Smith | X | | |

Board & Administrative Reports

Bayacan

Mr. Kramme asked Mr. Truschke what was going on with Bayacan. Truschke stated that at the last Graham County Board of Supervisors meeting in Safford they approved rezoning site 5 & 6 in favor of Bayacan. Skip Hulett, General Counsel at Nature Sweet, stated that he foresees Bonita and Nature Sweet having a good relationship. Mr. Hulett informed him that they planned on being a support to the school and would still honor the funds promised to the District.

Mr. Truschke said that he and Mrs. Childers had made room for the funds in the donation line in the budget.

The Board expressed their concern for the Research and Development (R&D) facilities on sites 1 & 2, because they won't produce tax if picked up by an educational entity. They estimated it could be a 1/3 percent decrease. There was a question as to who

Bayacan

would enforce the promises from Bayacan. Mr. Truschke said that he would visit Danny Smith, County Supervisor with questions.

Start of School

Mr. Kramme wondered if there would be COVID restrictions for the start of school. Mr. Truschke replied that as of right now there were no restrictions and we are planning on starting with the option to wear a mask, but not mandating it. The mask mandate has been lifted throughout the state and we finished the last school year with the option to wear a mask. Whatever makes the parent and student comfortable. School will start August 9, 2021 with no restrictions.

Forest Fees

Mr. Kramme asked about the forest fee funds when we would receive them and how much it would be. Mr. Truschke said that we have already received it and it's in the budget. Mrs. Childers it came to about \$21,000. The Board agreed that it was better than previous years. Mr. Truschke said that it was a beginning and hoped it would increase.

Inmate Help

Mr. Kramme asked about inmate help for Mr. Brewster. Mr. Brewster said that they have released the crews to work and as of right now he has two inmates and expressed that it was nice to have help again.

Wages

Mr. Truschke expressed his concern about some of our employees not making as much an hour as some students that are working at fast food restaurants. He said he would like to come back to the Board in August with a proposal to at least get the ones below the average up to \$15 an hour.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Kramme adjourned the meeting at 8:21 a.m.

Dated this day of _____, 20____

Bonita Governing Board by _____

