

# Casa Grande Union High School District

## Board of Governors Minutes



Date: July 1, 2008

Mr. Scott Lehman, Board President called the regular session of the Board of Governors to order at 6:30 PM. The following members were present: Jack Henness, Donna Zimmerman, Randy Robbins and Bernard Marucci.

### WORK SESSION

Superintendent Pifer began discussion of a 4-day school week with a Powerpoint presentation highlighting the different aspects of the 4-day week. Kirk Weddle – Toltec Elem. Governing Board President – talked about Toltec’s experience with their transition to a four day week 2 years ago. Daniel Esparza – Food Service talked about the positive and negative influences of a 4 day week on the food service budget. Keith Bee of Bee Line Transportation talked about how a four day week would affect the transportation department. Discussion about the impact on students that are involved in extra curricular activities. Friday vs. Monday, which would have the least impact on activities. Would there be transportation for students on Friday that participate in athletics. Mrs. Manu addressed the board about her preference for Monday off due to athletic participation. There was also input from district teachers regarding a change to a 4-day week.

Mrs. Pifer then began the discussion of the Budget Override and what impact a no vote would have. Programs that may be affected are chorus, band, drama and athletics. Smaller class size and other elective courses may also face reduction or elimination. A question was asked as to how a failed budget override would affect the new school. It was stated that the new school would not be able to open and class sizes at CGUHS would go to 40-42.

### AGENDA

After reconvening in the regular meeting. President Lehman requested a motion to approve the agenda of July 1, 2008. A motion was made by Dr. Marucci, seconded by Mr. Henness to approve the agenda of July 1, 2008. Motion carries unanimously.

### REPORTS

Ed Mullins, Project Manager for Sundt Construction gave an update on the Vista Grande School project. He stated that Bldg 3, the Auditorium walls were complete and roofing was to begin in a few weeks. They would also be starting work on the inside. Bldg 1 walls are 40% complete and the ball fields have been prepped. He stated that there had been a delay in the pump delivery so they have not been able to plant the fields yet. He also stated that the asphalt for the track and concrete for basketball and tennis courts was complete. They would now have security on site from 5 PM – 5 AM and all day on weekends. The transportation facility is coming along quite nicely. The walls are up and the steel roof is set to go on. Some asphalt has been completed in the parking lot. Completion of the project should be around October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Edna Morris, Assistant Superintendent gave a brief overview Student Achievement relating to AIMS as well as revisiting the Arizona Professional Educator’s Code of Ethics.

### DRUG TESTING

Superintendent Pifer requested a motion to approve Casa Grande Union High School District to participate in Random Drug Testing of extra curricular activity students for the 2008-09 school year. A motion was made by Dr. Marucci, seconded by Mr. Robbins to approve Casa Grande Union High School District to participate in Random Drug Testing of extra curricular activity students for the 2008-09 school year. Motion carries unanimously.

### RESOLUTION

Mrs. Pifer then requested a motion to approve a resolution authorizing the future signing by the Superintendent of an Intergovernmental Agreement entitled Education Service Program Agreement – Pinal County Special Education for the purpose of providing for a cooperative special education program for the 2008-09 fiscal year. A motion was made by Mrs. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Henness to approve a resolution authorizing the future signing by the Superintendent of an Intergovernmental Agreement entitled Education Service Program Agreement – Pinal County Special Education for the purpose of providing for a cooperative special education program for the 2008-09 fiscal year. Motion carries 4-0-1 with Mr. Robbins abstaining from the vote.

### LETTER OF DECLARATION

After a request from Mrs. Pifer, a motion was made by Dr. Marucci, seconded by Mr. Robbins to approve a Letter of Declaration as presented requesting Wells Fargo Bank, NA to issue a line of credit, designated as qualified tax-exempt obligations pursuant to Section 265 of the IRS

	Code of 1986, as directed by the Pinal County Treasurer's Office. Motion carries unanimously.
<b>BUDGET</b>	Superintendent Pifer then requested a motion to approve the proposed budget for the 2008-09 fiscal year as presented. A motion was made by Mr. Robbins, seconded by Mr. Hennes to approve the proposed budget for the 2008-09 fiscal year as presented. After a call for the question, there were some concerns whether this was a zero based budget and that the board had not had a work session to discuss the proposed budget. It was decided that the board would have a monthly work session to go over the budget. After all questions and concerns were addressed, the motion carried unanimously.
<b>4-DAY WEEK</b>	As a follow-up to the work session, Mrs. Pifer requested a motion to direct the Superintendent to pursue investigation into a 4-day school week. A motion was made by Mrs. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Robbins to direct the Superintendent to pursue investigation into a 4-day school week. It was stated that two public hearings needed to take place before the board could vote again as to whether to implement for the coming school year. It was also stated that faculty and staff be notified of these hearings in order to get their input. After a brief discussion, the motion carried 4-1 with Dr. Marucci voting no.
<b>IGA</b>	Mrs. Pifer then requested a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Central Arizona College to provide Dual Enrollment courses which would be counted toward both high school and college graduation for the 2008-09 school year. A motion was made by Mrs. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Hennes to approve the aforementioned IGA. Motion carried unanimously.
<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>	<p>After stating that he would like to pull Item H from the consent agenda, Mr. Lehman asked if there were any other items the board wished to pull. After a question about out of state travel, a motion was made by Mr. Robbins, seconded by Mr. Hennes to approve Items A – M, with the exception of H of the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Approved the cafeteria report for the month of June.</p> <p>Approved the district financial report for the month of June.</p> <p>Report on Facilities for the month of June.</p> <p>Report on Transportation for the month of June.</p> <p>Approved the resignation of classified staff member Natalie Neal, Instructional Aide effective June 21, 2008.</p> <p>Approved the appointment of related services staff member Jennifer Caywood, Occupational Therapist for the 2008-09 school year.</p> <p>Approved the appointment of certified staff members Karen Reynolds, ESS Teacher (DWHS), Gary Wood, CTE Teacher (DWHS), Mary Ann Winslow, Science Teacher, Lynda Beland, ESS Teacher, Martha Perez, Spanish, Andrew Lukievics, ESS Teacher, Karla Jensen, 2/5 Art Teacher (DWHS) and the contract renewals of emergency certified staff members Marie Downing, ESS Teacher, Molly Fitzgibbons, Reading, Cori Lee, Fine Arts and Laurie Conaway, English for the 2008-09 school year.</p> <p>Mr. Lehman questioned whether we were going to pursue the \$2000 for breaking a contract. It was stated that they would not be replacing Mr. Simmons position, therefore, did not think it was necessary to pursue the \$2000 since it is used for advertising for a replacement. After his question was addressed, Mr. Lehman requested a motion to approve Item H of the consent agenda, to approve the resignation of certified staff members Karen Capullo, ELL teacher effective June 30, 2008 and Jim Simmons, Social Studies Teacher (CVHS) effective June 30, 2008. A motion was made by Dr. Marucci, seconded by Mr. Robbins to approve Item H, the resignation of certified staff members Karen Capullo, ELL teacher effective June 30, 2008 and Jim Simmons, Social Studies Teacher (CVHS) effective June 30, 2008.. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Approved out of state travel for Sue Eberle and two students to attend the SkillsUSA Leadership Training Institute to be held in Herndon, VA and Washington, DC on September 20-24, 2008 and Sue Eberle to attend the Photoshop World Conference to be held in Las Vegas, NV on</p>

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September 3-6, 2008. Both are contingent upon CAVIT funding.

Approved adjunct faculty positions of 1/5 contract for Bill Norrid, Spanish, Anna Hicks, Biology, Nathan Scheeler, FES, Marty Olson, CTE, Michael Wagner, CTE, Kathy Jue, CTE, Stuart Minck, CTE, Steven Sipes, CTE, Kathy Sweeney, CTE, Annie Hunter, CTE, Sharon Mace, CTE and Donna Telles, CTE for the 2008-09 school year.

Approved the Board of Governors minutes of June 6, 2008.

Approved warrants #7116 - #7123 for accounts payable in the amount of \$3,074,453.36 and #35 - #41 for payroll in the amount of \$2,022,805.39.

Approved the extra curricular appointments of fall coaches as follows: Head Football coach Tracy Stuart and Assistant coaches John Batina, Rey Cordova, Mike Limon, Jeff Theis, Bill Askew, Ben Gutierrez, Brian Schiltz, Craig Savage, Anthony Nava, Chris Braybrooks, Brian Mitchell, Sam Manu and Charles Kenney, Head Cross Country coach Kurt Kieser, Boys Golf Coach Tim Leutheuser, Girls Golf Coach Rose Jenson, Head Volleyball coach Victor Yubeta, Head Swim Coach Laura Logan, Head Spiritline Coach Jelenann Salyers, Freshmen Girl's Tennis Coach Karen Montgomery and Freshmen Boys Tennis coach Rodrigo Bermudez for the 2008-09 fiscal year.

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**BOARD ITEMS**

The board asked that they have a Budget 101 work session monthly.

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**ADJOURN**

After a motion was made the executive session was adjourned at 7:59 PM.

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**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**President of the Board**