

TOLLESON UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 214

GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES REGULAR MEETING with WORK STUDY SESSION and EXECUTIVE SESSION TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

The Tolleson Union High School District No. 214 Governing Board regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Governing Board President, Dr. Elda Luna-Najera, with the following members in attendance: Dr. Kino Flores, Vice President, Mr. Steven Chapman, Mr. Devin Del Palacio, and Mr. Freddie Villalon (via phone for the first 5 minutes, arrived at 6:05pm).

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Luna-Najera led the pledge of allegiance.

3. **Approval of the Regular Agenda**

Mr. Chapman moved to approve the Regular Agenda; seconded by Mr. Del Palacio. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

4. **Celebration**

End-of-Year Staff Recognitions

Superintendent Gutierrez honored staff members for retirement and years of service.

Each year at this time, we celebrate those employees who have decided to retire and leave the district after many years of service. These valued employees will hopefully get some well-deserved rest, travel and maybe move up north or out of state. Or maybe just stay close by and come visit often. Whatever you do, we are proud of you and we thank you for your service.

Tonight, we honor those employees who are not only retiring, but those employees who have devoted many, many years to Tolleson Union High School District. So, we have employees that have 5 years all the way to 40 years of service that we will be celebrating. We ask that when we call your name that you come forward and be recognized by the board and remain for a photo from our fabulous PR Director, Mr. Joseph Ortiz.

5 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
ACOSTA	TERESA	SLHS	Teacher
ALI	WILLIAM	LCHS	Guidance Counselor
ANDREWS	MISTI	DISTRICT OFFICE	District Prevention Coordinator

ANZAR	JESSE	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Monitor
AVALOS	RICARDO	TUHS	Teacher
BANUELOS	LOURDES	DISTRICT OFFICE	Asst Dir Business Service
BOYD	MELISSA	TUHS	Teacher
BROWN	JENNIFER	WHS	Teacher
CARDENAS	NATALIE	LJCHS	Teacher
CARDOZA	EDDIECA	WHS	Guidance Counselor
CEJA	JUAN	DISTRICT OFFICE	Asst. Superintendent
CHOW	STEFANIE	WHS	Teacher
CONWAY	TONYA	LJCHS	Security Guard
COVARRUBIO	SYLVIA	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Driver
DE JESUS	DIANA	SLHS	Teacher
DEAN	MARIA	SLHS	Clerical Sup. II - Atten.
DELGADO	ADRIAN	LHA	Behavioral Specialist
DRONEY	BENJAMIN	SLHS	Teacher
ESQUIVEL	AMILCAR	TUHS	Teacher
GANDARA	VANESSA	SLHS	Inst. Asst I-Title I
GARCIA	RIKKI	TUHS	Assistant Principal
GERHART	DONALD	CCHS	Teacher
GIACOMUCCI	CAROL	LJCHS	Teacher
GINGER	PATRICK	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Driver/Trainer
GONZALEZ	ANALIZ	WPHS	Bookstore Manager
GONZALEZ	KAREN	WPHS	Speech Language Pathologist Assistant
GROOMS	ANDREW	TUHS	Teacher
HARRIS	LESLIE	CCHS	Teacher
HARRIS	VANESSA	LJCHS	Teacher
HAWKS	YESENIA	WHS	Teacher
HERNANDEZ	JAZMIN	WPHS	Teacher
HERNANDEZ	VANESSA	SLHS	Clerical Supp II Guide
HOLLOWAY	KARRIE	SLHS	Teacher
HOLLOWELL	CODY	LJCHS	Instructional Asst II
HUDSON	TROY	SLHS	Teacher
HUTH	WILLIAM	CCHS	Teacher
HUYNH	THAI	CCHS	Teacher
INGRAM	CRYSTAL	SLHS	Teacher
JENSEN	GLENNA	CCHS	Instructional Coach
JOHNSON	IRENE	TRANSPORTATION	McKinney Vento Driver
JULIAN	ANTHONY	SLHS	Teacher
KOWAL	ALYSSA	TUHS	Teacher
KRAMER	CYNTHIA	CCHS	Teacher
LAMADRID	MARIA	SLHS	Cafeteria Cashier
LARA	JOHN	TUHS	Security Guard
LEE	BRIDGETTE	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Monitor
LOVE	BRANDON	WHS	Teacher

LUA TORRES	ALMA	SLHS	Cafeteria Cashier
LUCERO	RUBISELA	CCHS	Guidance Counselor
MAESE	ALEXANDRA	DISTRICT OFFICE	Parent Education Coord.
MARTIN	GINA	SLHS	Guidance Counselor
MARTINEZ	GABRIEL	DISTRICT OFFICE	Dir. Facilities/Operation
MARTINEZ	JOSEPH	TUHS	Teacher
MARTINEZ	MARCOS	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Driver
MATTA	DONALD	FACILITIES	Plant Manager
MCBRIDE	PRIMUS	LJCHS	Behavioral Specialist
MCKENNA	JANICE	WHS	Teacher
MENDOZA	OFELIA	TUHS	Clerical Sup. II - Atten.
MITCHELL	KRYSTAL	CCHS	Admin Asst IV Discipline
MONGE	MARIO	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Driver
MORGAN	YOLANDA	SLHS	Inst. Asst. I-SPED
NESS	SAMANTHA	CCHS	Teacher
NEWCOMB	NICOLETTE	TUHS	Guidance Counselor
NGUYEN	TRANG	WHS	Teacher
ORELLANA	ROSALINDA	WHS	Cafeteria Cook
ORTEGA	VIOLETA	LJCHS	School Nurse LPN
OWEN	ALAINA	SLHS	Teacher
PARRA	ALEJANDRINA	WPHS	Cafeteria Cashier
PARRA	ARELI	LHA	Social Worker
PEROTTI	APRIL	LJCHS	Teacher
PRATT	KRYSTAL	LJCHS	Teacher
PRIETO OSORIO	MAYRA	TUHS	Custodian I
RIGGS	RANDAHN	CCHS	Guidance Counselor
RIVERA	MICHAEL	LJCHS	Teacher
ROBLES	ISABEL	CCHS	Inst. Asst I-Title I
RODGERS	MIRIAM	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Driver
ROJAS	ANNA	LJCHS	Teacher
SALCIDO	ISAAC	LHA	Teacher
SALVADOR	RAQUEL	LJCHS	Admin Assistant III Special Services
SANCHEZ	JOCELYN	SLHS	Teacher
SANCHEZ	ROBERTO	CCHS	Groundskeeper
SANFORD	ROSALIE	CCHS	Cafeteria Cashier
SCHERTING	KERRY	DISTRICT OFFICE	Instr Ldrshp Coord Math
SCOTT	SAMANTHA	LJCHS	Teacher
SMITH	KAYLEE	LJCHS	Teacher
SMITH-MILLER	KRISTIE	TUHS	Teacher
SOTO	VANESSA	TUHS	Instructional Asst II
SPANN	KRISTINE	DISTRICT OFFICE	Buyer
TOMKOWICZ	PAULINA	CCHS	Teacher
TORRES GARCIA	ADRIAN	TUHS	Teacher
TROTTER	D'SEANDA	WHS	Behavioral Specialist

TSOSIE	SHANDA	TUHS	Teacher
VAIRO	CESAR	WPHS	Teacher
VALDEZ	JANICE	WHS	Inst. Asst I-Title I
VALENZUELA	MICHAEL	SLHS	Teacher
VANDERPOOL	MICHELLE	LJCHS	Teacher
VASQUEZ	ROCIO	DISTRICT OFFICE	Prevent/Interv Specialist
WHITE	CHARISSE	CCHS	Teacher
WITT	LINDSAY	LJCHS	Teacher
WRIGHT	ROSEY	LJCHS	Teacher

10 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
ALLMAN	CHARLES	CCHS	Teacher
ALONSO	OTONIEL	TUHS	Teacher
BARNES	GRACE	TUHS	Guidance Counselor
BELANGER	SUSANNA	SLHS	Teacher
BRASCH	NIKOLE	WPHS	Teacher
CARDOZA	FRANCISCO	WHS	ROTC12
CARVER	JAMES	TUHS	Teacher
CHIRIFF-SEGUEZZA	STELLA	WHS	Custodian II - Cafeteria
DUSTHIMER	CODY	CCHS	Teacher
FIERROS	AMY	WHS	Instructional Coach
FINCH	STEPHANIE	TUHS	Guidance Counselor
FONTES	JONATHAN	LJCHS	Teacher
GAMMON	MICHELLE	CCHS	Teacher
GARCIA	ROSA	TUHS	Cafeteria Cashier
GODINEZ	NANCY	CCHS	Teacher
GORDON	SAMANTHA	SLHS	Teacher
GREGORY	MICHAEL	LJCHS	Teacher
HARRIS	JULIA	TUHS	Teacher
HERNANDEZ	DAISY	CEA	Guidance Counselor
HOLDER	CHERYL	TUHS	Cafeteria Cashier
IRISH	ROBERT	WHS	Teacher
JIMENEZ	ANA	DISTRICT OFFICE	Food Service Floater
JUNK	THOMAS	WHS	Assistant Principal
KELLEY	CHARLOTTE	WHS	Teacher
KING	ANNETTE	TUHS	Teacher
KISTLER	ERIC	DISTRICT OFFICE	Software Developer
LANDIS	VICKIE	UHS	Small Schools Principal
MCEVOY	BRENDAN	WHS	Teacher
MONTALVO	SERGIO	TUHS	School Psychologist
MORTENSEN	JULIE	SLHS	Teacher
NICOLOFF	SARAH	WHS	Teacher

NOVOA	ROSA	LJCHS	School Psychologist
OCHOA	BRIGITTE	UHS	Guidance Counselor
PEREZ	TAYLOR	SLHS	Social Worker
PETRUNCOLA	CRISTINE	WHS	Teacher
RAMIREZ	DANIEL	SLHS	Teacher
RODRIGUEZ	LUCIA	TUHS	Teacher
ROMO	VANESSA	LJCHS	Social Worker
SALCIDO	MICHELLE	LJCHS	Teacher
TORRES	ANGELA	CEA	Behavioral Specialist
TRIGG	LEONARD	TUHS	Teacher
TURNER	LESLIE	TUHS	Clerical Supp I Library
TURNER	NANCY	DISTRICT OFFICE	Admin Asst IV Foodservice
VIRGIL	JOSE	WHS	School Psychologist
WHITE	DANIEL	WHS	Teacher
WOLOCHUK	ANDREA	TUHS	Guidance Counselor

15 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
ALDAMA	MONICA	SLHS	Admin Asst IV Guidance
BAEZ	FELIPE	WHS	Assistant Principal
BHATNAGAR	OMI	CCHS	Teacher
BURNS	MICHELLE	UHS	Teacher
CARDENAS	GILBERT	SLHS	Lead Security Guard
CENTNER	PATRICK	WHS	Teacher
DABNEY	DARRELL	LJCHS	Teacher
FARMER	TAMMY	LJCHS	Custodian II - Cafeteria
HARDING	DEREK	LJCHS	Teacher
HELM	ROSA	SLHS	School Nurse LPN
HENSON	DYAN	TRANSPORTATION	Route Specialist
HOLLIDAY	LYNN	WHS	Teacher
KEANINI	MICHELLE	DISTRICT OFFICE	Admin Assist to Assist Supt of C&I
MANZANARES	HERMAN	WHS	Equipment Manager
MARTEL	CHARLES	DISTRICT OFFICE	Instructional Leadership Coordinator
MEDRANO	FRANCES	TUHS	Cafeteria Cashier
MOSLEY	TAMMY	TUHS	Instructional Asst II
MUNOZ	ETHAN	TUHS	Tech Help Desk Support
MURPHY	PAUL	CCHS	Teacher
ONTIVEROS	DALIA	DISTRICT OFFICE	Grant Budget Analyst
PACHECO	CHRISTY	CCHS	Teacher
RODRIGUEZ	DAVID	TRANSPORTATION	Mechanic
SANFORD	ISABELITA	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Monitor
SANTOS	EDELMIRA	WHS	Custodian II - Cafeteria
SCHMIDT	CHRISTINA	WPHS	Teacher

TUCKER	APRIL	TRANSPORTATION	Transportation Specialist
VALDIVIA	SILVIA	TUHS	Teacher
VALLONE	PETRA	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Driver

20 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
ARELLANO	JESUS	LJCHS	Teacher
CABRAL	VERONICA	LJCHS	Admin Asst IV Discipline
GUINEY	LINDSAY	UHS	Instructional Coach
LUCCA	NATHAN	CCHS	Assistant Principal
PEACOCK	ROSIE	TUHS	Teacher
WALING	TRACI	DISTRICT OFFICE	Admin Asst to COO

25 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
GONZALEZ	STEPHANIE	TUHS	Teacher
HERNANDEZ	JULIANNA	TRANSPORTATION	Bus Monitor
LOBO	OSCAR	WHS	Teacher
MEDRANO	MARK	TUHS	Teacher
VALENZUELA	CHRISTINA	CCHS	Assistant Principal
VAUGHAN	JANEL	SLHS	Prevent/Interv Specialist
WESTOVER	MINDY	DISTRICT OFFICE	Assistant Superintendent Of C&I
WILLIAMS	DARIN	WHS	Teacher

30 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
PEDERSON	MATTHEW	WHS	Teacher
WONNER	LARRY	WHS	Teacher
VALKINGBURG	PAUL	WHS	Teacher
SEMPKOWSKI	LORIN	SLHS	Assistant Principal

35 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
CARTER	JEFFREY	DISTRICT OFFICE	Instructional Coach

40 Years of Service

Last Name	First Name	Primary Worksite	Primary Job Title
HILTY	ROBERT	FACILITIES	Skilled Maintenance

5. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Superintendent Gutierrez Comments

- I am pleased to celebrate National Teacher Appreciation Week this week. We have the best teachers ensuring that our students get a great education and that student achievement is first and foremost in our district. I sent out a congratulatory e-mail to our teachers on Monday, we changed our website banner to celebrate National Teacher Appreciation Week, we made social media posts and this coming Wednesday, thanks to our wonderful vendors, we will have some goodies and treats delivered to our schools for our teachers to enjoy, all as part of this nationwide celebration. We appreciate and support our teachers all year long, and we especially recognize them during this National Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you for all that you do!
- The District has four teachers who have been selected as recipients of the “We Appreciate Teachers” contest. The recipients are La Joya Community High School English teacher Natalie Cardenas; Westview English teacher, Clarice Miller; Alana Wolfer, University High School Math teacher; and Curtis Bankston, SPED teacher at Copper Canyon. These District teachers were four of just 15 teachers that were selected from the state of Arizona. “We Appreciate Teachers” is a contest designed to shine a spotlight on all teachers and the incredible work they do. Congratulations on doing iT with PRIDE!
- TUHSD recently had two students elected to the National JAG Board at the National Conference in Orlando, Florida. We are happy to announce that Jobs for America’s Graduates (JAG) National Career Association President-Elect is Frida Medrano from Copper Canyon High School. Frida, is the President of her local Career Association chapter and as the newly elected President-Elect for the national chapter, she will serve a second year as the NCA President. Frida is in Mr. Don Gerhart’s JAG classroom and a JAG alum himself under the legacy of JAG President and CEO Graciela Candia Garcia, who herself is a former Tolleson teacher.

In addition, the JAG National Secretary is Jenna Flores from West Point High School. Our TUHSD students are well-represented in the JAG national ranks. Jenna’s family is attending a family members graduation today and so she could not be here.

Ms. Graciela Garcia Candia, who is here with us tonight, joined Jobs for Arizona’s Graduates (JAG) in 1982 as the Program Coordinator at Tolleson Union High School, where she received numerous local and national awards for outstanding performance. In 1999, she became the Program Manager and provided guidance and support for coordinators throughout the state. Her deep commitment to Arizona’s students, her experience and proven leadership track record led to her appointment as President in 2003.

With a genuine “students come first” attitude and a continued desire to serve and provide quality services to the underrepresented students of Arizona, Graciela knows this new experience has allowed for continued growth and strength in the organization. Jobs for Arizona’s Graduates have received the highest honor awarded by Jobs for America’s Graduates for the last ten years running.

Congratulations to all!

- And finally, at Tolleson Union High School, two students, Annalee Beltran and Grace Bottello-Najera, applied for the FBI National Academy Leadership Program, and both students were accepted. Congratulations!

Mr. Ron Dorfman, Phoenix Police Officer and CTE-Criminal Justice Instructor at Tolleson Union, encouraged these young ladies to apply for the program. Annalee and Grace both showed the most interest. They jumped on the opportunity and submitted their packets the very next day. This leadership program is a one-week course held in Flagstaff. The students will be staying in the dorms at NAU and will have the opportunity to meet other students and law enforcement officials from across the state. Both students were accepted based on their school resume and essay. Great job Annalee and Grace! Congratulations!

- And lastly if I may, I want to give a special thank you to Lea Houston, she stepped up and she really helped us all for this board meeting, you've been awesome.
- Those are just some of the highlights of our district since we last met. Thank you.

Governing Board Comments

- Mr. Chapman thanked everyone for the work they've done this year. We're almost there, our board won't meet until after graduations, which we're all looking forward to. Thanks to your hard work, we'll see hundreds and hundreds of kids walking down the stage with smiles for pictures. There will be lots of happy parents thanks to all the hard work all been doing over the past four years or more. Thank you on behalf of myself and the board for all that hard work. We won't see you until after graduation, and if we don't see you please enjoy your well-deserved summer break.
- Mr. Del Palacio acknowledged our JAG partners and teammates for the awesome program, our district appreciates all opportunities and without them, we wouldn't be able to make it happen. He also congratulated our two students that will be going to the FBI program.
- Mr. Villalon congratulated and thanked everyone for making such a difference for our children and our families. All of these amazing programs and initiatives wouldn't be happening without all of our amazing educators, so thank you and God bless.
- Dr. Luna-Najera wants to reiterate the thanks to our teachers, we appreciate you all year long. I know that this is the time we recognize all the hard work that you've put in to your profession and to our students, so we thank you for that. I also want to thank our paraprofessionals and our school nurses that we celebrate during this month as well. We appreciate the support that you provide to our students, our families, and our school communities. We recognize your professions and we thank you sincerely for choosing the Tolleson Union High School District, you make our district great, so thank you.

6. Public Participation

There was one request for public participation:

1. Mr. Alex Stevanov, Teacher from Copper Canyon High School
 - Shared his perspective on the state of the district, thanked Superintendent Gutierrez and the Governing Board.

7. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Chapman moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Dr. Flores. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA * ITEMS

***1. Human Resources**

A. Personnel Items

The Governing Board approved the following personnel items.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Employment of Personnel

Camacho, Randy	SLHS	Principal
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Position Changes

Goodman, Lupita	DO	From Administrative Assistant to Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources to Executive Assistant to Superintendent and Governing Board
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Resignation

Wray, Diane	DO	Director of Special Education
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CERTIFIED STAFF

Employment of Personnel

Averill, Crystal	CCHS	Special Education Teacher
Wiacek, Allyson	CCHS	Piano Choir Teacher

Lopez, Chelsea	LJCHS	Special Education Teacher
Cannella, Nicole	LJCHS	Art Teacher
Rojas Piedra, Laura	LJCHS	Special ED Teacher

Alcantar, Stacey	SLHS	Special Education Teacher
Bowens, Jarred	SLHS	Math Teacher
Kastrati, Megi	SLHS	English Teacher
Lee, Cristina	SLHS	Special Education Teacher
Rock, Timothy	SLHS	Math Teacher

Honeman, Haley	WHS	Theatre Teacher
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Avilez, Roxanna	WPHS	Spanish Teacher
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Position Changes

Daniels, Jessica	CEA/LHA	Moving From Guidance Counselor to Special Education Teacher
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Heytens, Andrew	CCHS	Moving from Academic Supports Instructional Coach to Math Teacher
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Recio, Bridget	LJCHS	Moving from English Teacher to Academic Supports Instructional Coach
Teklemariam, Catalina	TUHS	Moving from Instructional Assistant II to Special Education Teacher
Acero, Angelica	WPHS	Moving from Library Clerk to English Teacher
<u>Resignation</u>		
Schmidt, Stacy	CCHS	Special Education Teacher
Ray, Christopher	WPHS	CTE Law & Public Safety Instructor
<u>Leave of Absence</u>		
Anna Huffman	WPHS	Leave of Absence

CLASSIFIED STAFF

Employment of Personnel

Garcia, Maria	DO	Bus Monitor
Nunez, Alyssa	WPHS	Instructional Assistant I – SAS – Title I

Resignations

Diaz, Shantia	CCHS	Behavior Specialist
Hargenrader, Emmah	CCHS	Instructional Assistant II
Serrano, Angel	TUHS	Custodian III - Lead

Retirement

Waling, Traci	DO	Administrative Assistant to the Chief Operations Officer
Carrasco, Rebecca	LJCHS	Administrative Assistant IV - Athletics
Cocciardi, Julia	WHS	Clerical Support II – Student Support Clerk
Sampson, Patricia	WHS	Administrative Assistant III - SPED

VOLUNTEERS

Carver, James	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Galante, Gary	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Delgado, Adrian	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Thomas, Tehran	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Wellbrock, Griffin	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Wellbrock, Richard	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Wilson, Billy	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Young, Christopher	TUHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Garza, Andrew	LJCHS	Spring Football Volunteer

Tuitavuki, Carl	LJCHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Drew, Adrian	WVHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Parks, Jonathon	WVHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Reddic, Ronnie	WVHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Ball, Jerry	WPHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Duncan, Deirreio	WPHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Chaney, Quentin	WPHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Kenkel, Mark	SLHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Talley, Chad	CCHS	Spring Football Volunteer
Sanchez, Roberto	CCHS	Spring Football Volunteer

B. Tolleson Virtual High School Calendar 2023-24 and 2024-25 SY

The Governing Board approved the Arizona Online Instruction Program - Tolleson Virtual High School calendar for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years.

***2. Business Services**

A. Vouchers

Prior to ratification at the Governing Board meeting, Governing Board President, or his designee, reviews and signs vouchers. Vouchers represent orders for payment of material, equipment, salaries, and services. The Governing Board approved:

Payroll Vouchers: \$ 4,588,824.05 (1028-1029)
Expense Vouchers: \$ 1,804,803.07 (7165-7173)

B. Gifts and Donations

The Governing Board approved acceptance of donations from Lennar Title, Pulte Group, Isaiah Lewis, The Albertsons Companies Foundation, First American Title Insurance Company, Thunderbirds Foundation, and Westview High School Band, totaling \$19,186.16.

C. Appointment of District Treasurer, School Assistant Treasurers, and Signatories for School Accounts – 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved the Appointment of District Treasurer, School Assistant Treasurers, and Signatories for School Accounts, and appoint (1) the Interim Superintendent and his designee, Chief Financial Officer, as Treasurer; (2) the Director of Business Services as Assistant Treasurer for the student activities, auxiliary operations and revolving funds; and (3) the attached list of authorized signatories for the student activities, auxiliary operations and revolving accounts for FY 2023-2024.

D. Approval of use of Authorized Bank Accounts for 2023-24 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved authorization to use the authorized bank accounts for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

E. Assignment of Responsibilities for Federal, State, and Local Programs – 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved that for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the Governing Board assign responsibility to (1) the Interim Superintendent and his designee, Chief Financial Officer of Business Services, as custodian of the M&O revolving fund; (2) the Interim Superintendent and his designee, Chief Financial Officer of Business Services, and the Assistant Director of Business Services, for state surplus equipment; (3) the Interim Superintendent and his designee, Chief

Financial Officer of Business Services, and the Director of Grants and Federal Programs, for federal titles and federal excess personal property; and (4) the Interim Superintendent and his designee, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources for affirmative action.

F. Establishment of Change Fund for School Lunch Program - 2023-2024 School Year

The Governing Board approved establishing a change fund of \$15,000.00 for the operation of the District Food Service Program for the 2023-2024 school year.

G. Investment and Reinvestment of District Funds – 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved authorization for the Interim Superintendent and his designee, Chief Financial Officer of Business Services, to act as agents for the Governing Board to invest funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

H. Resolution – Garnishment of Wages – 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved a resolution appointing Maricopa County Education Service Agency as the chief disbursing office for all wage garnishments for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

I. Signing of Vouchers – 2023 – 2024 Fiscal Year

The Governing Board approved authorization for the signing of vouchers in between regular and special Governing Board meetings during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

J. Student Club Fundraising Activities for FY 2023-2024

The Governing Board approved student activity fund-raisers for 2023-2024.

K. ITEM REPLACED: Sole Source – American Intercontinental University System

The Governing Board approved the recommendation for American Intercontinental University System as a Sole Source vendor for educational degrees and certifications for staff.

***3. Curriculum and Instruction**

A. Disposal of Outdated Textbooks and Supplementary Materials

The Governing Board approved of the disposal of outdated textbooks and supplementary materials.

***4. Superintendent's Office**

B. Travel Requests

The Governing Board approved travel requests from LJCHS, SLHS, TUHS, WPHS, WHS, SLHS, and District Office.

LOCATION	WHO	WHAT/WHEN/WHERE
WHS	Captain Francisco Cardoza, MCJROTC Instructor; and approximately 14 students	JROTC Leadership Retreat April 27-30, 2023 Camp Navajo, JCLC Belmont, Arizona
District Office	Antonio Aguirre, Director of Information Technology	Cisco Live 2023 June 4-9, 2023 Mandalay Bay Las Vegas, Nevada

District Office	Mindy Westover, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction; Wendy Davy, Director of Student Information & Academic Accountability; Christina Boston, Director of EAP	2023 Teachers' Institute and Leading Change Conference June 7-9, 2023 JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort Tucson, Arizona
District Office	Lourdes Banuelos, Assistant Director of Business Services; and Gabriel Martinez, Director of Facilities	70 th Annual Conference & Expositions – School Business Officials of the Round Table July 19-22, 2023 J.W. Marriott Tucson Starr Pass Resort Tucson, Arizona
WPHS	Monique Jones, Teacher; Tarynn White, teacher; Gerald McNamara, Counselor; Melissa McNamara, Teacher; Ryan Nelson, Teacher; Kevin Ivory, Teacher	Las Vegas – 2023 Spring NABC Championship Basketball Clinic May 19-21, 2023 New Orleans Resort and Casino Las Vegas, Nevada
WHS	Captain Francisco Cardoza, MCJROTC Instructor; 3 students	MCJROTC Senior Leadership Camp July 23-29, 2023 Fork Union Military School Fork Union, Virginia
LJCHS & SLHS	LJCHS: Sarah Daigle, Teacher SLHS: Elizabeth Sgrillo-Sanchez, Mentor	3 rd Annual ATA Beginning Teacher Institute: Humanizing Pedagogy June 21-23, 2023 Westin Paloma Tucson, Arizona
TUHS	Rikki Garcia, Assistant Principal	Language and Cultural Immersion – 2023 Los Alumnos Professional Development Academy May 27-June 10, 2023 Santiago de Queretaro Queretaro, Mexico
District	Gabriel Martinez, Director of Facilities	70 th Annual Conference & Exposition – School Business Official of Roundtable July 19-22, 2023 JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort & Spa Tucson, Arizona

TUHS	Shanda Tsosie, Teacher	Annual Indigenous Teacher Education Conference (AITEC) June 22-23, 2023 Northern Arizona University Flagstaff, Arizona
WHS	Gunnery Sergeant W. Gonzalez 2 students	MCJROTC National Drill Camp July 8-14, 2023 Schreiner University Kerrville, Texas

C. Minutes – April 25, 2023 Governing Board Regular Meeting with Executive Session

The Governing Board approved the April 25, 2023 Governing Board Regular Meeting with WSS and Executive Session Meeting minutes.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEM

9. Call FOR PUBLIC HEARING: Revision to the FY 2023-2023 Budget Administration seeks

The Governing has established this date and time for a public hearing on the Second Revision to the FY 2022-2023 budget. The public was encouraged and invited to ask questions or to make comments.

Mr. Jeremy Calles, Chief Financial Officer and Interim Superintendent presented an update on the revisions to the Fiscal year 2022-2023 Budget.

There were no public comments or questions.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM

10. Approval of the Second Revision to the FY 2022-2023 Budget

Administration seeks Governing Board approval of Revision # 2 to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget.

Mr. Chapman moved that the Governing Board approve Revision # 2 to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget; seconded by Mr. Villalon. In a roll call vote, the motioned carried 5-0.

11. Approval of Agreement with American InterContinental University (AIU)

Administration seeks Governing Board approval of the Agreement with American InterContinental University (AIU). If approved, the partnership will allow employees to pursue a bachelor's degree, a master's degree, or a doctoral degree in education at no cost to the employee. The district would pay up to \$5,000 per employee and American InterContinental University would cover the remaining costs through a grant. This educational opportunity will allow the Tolleson Union High School District to provide quality professional development to employees and help them grow professionally.

Mr. Chapman moved that the Governing Board approve the partnership with American InterContinental University; seconded by Mr. Del Palacio. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 4-0. Dr. Luna-Najera abstained her vote.

12. Approval of the Updated Per Performance Based Pay Plan – Prop 301 for the 2023-2024 School Year

Administration seeks Governing Board approval of the District's performance pay portion of the Proposition 301 Plan for the 2023-2024 school year.

Mr. Chapman moved that the Governing Board approve the District's performance pay portion of the Proposition 301 Plan for the 2023-2024 school year and subsequent years; seconded by Dr. Flores. In a roll call vote, the motion carried over 5-0.

13. Governing Board Professional Organizations and Professional Development for 2023-2024

Administration seeks Governing Board approval of (1) professional organizations that the Governing Board, either in whole or in part, wish to belong to and (2) professional development opportunities the Governing Board, either as a whole or individually, wish to attend during the 2023-2024 school year.

Mr. Chapman motioned to approve the professional organizations and professional development opportunities that the Governing Board, either in whole or in part, wish to belong to or attend during the 2023-2024 school year without the \$25,000 organization affiliation dues and fees and without the \$50,000 professional development/travel budget impacts and costs.

Mr. Del Palacio moved that Governing Board approve (1) joining, either as a Governing Board or individually, the following professional organizations and (2) the professional development opportunities the Governing Board, either as a whole or individually, wish to attend during the 2023-2024 school year; seconded by Dr. Luna-Najera. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

14. Submission of Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) Proposed Issues for Consideration for the 2024 Political Agenda; Appointment of Delegate and Alternate Delegate to Delegate Assembly

Administration seeks Governing Board consideration of proposed action agenda items for the Arizona School Boards Association's (ASBA) 2024 Political Agenda and adopt issues for the Legislative Committee's consideration. Additionally, the Governing Board is asked to appoint a Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the September 9, 2023 Delegate Assembly.

Mr. Del Palacio moved that the Governing Board adopt 2024 Political Agenda Issues for ASBA Legislative Committee's consideration, vote on top five priorities to be submitted with a deadline of May 24, 2023 as well as ongoing 2023 issues.

Additionally, it is recommended that the Governing Board appoint Mr. Steven Chapman as Delegate and Dr. Luna-Najera as Alternate Delegate to the September 9, 2023 Delegate Assembly. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

15. Bond Issuance

Administration seeks Governing Board consideration and, if deemed advisable, to adopt a resolution ordering and calling a special bond election to be held in and for the district and authorizing the Interim Superintendent to comply with certain sections of the internal revenue code.

Mr. Del Palacio moved that the Governing Board approve the adoption of a resolution ordering and calling a special bond election to be held in and for the district and authorizing the Interim Superintendent to comply with certain sections of the internal revenue code; seconded by Mr. Chapman. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. It is recommended that the Governing Board establish an Executive Session regarding the following topic:

a. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.1

(Interim Superintendent Transition Plan)

Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of any public body, except that with the exception of salary discussions, an officer, appointee or employee may demand that the discussion or consideration occur at a public meeting. The public body shall provide the officer, appointee, or employee with written notice of the executive session as is appropriate but not less than twenty-four hours for the officer, appointee, or employee to determine whether the discussion or consideration should occur at a public meeting.

Mr. Chapman moved that the Governing Board approve a motion to move into Executive Session; seconded by Mr. Del Palacio. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

17. **RECESSING OF REGULAR MEETING FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Regular Meeting recessed to move into Executive Session at 8:06 p.m.

18. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Call to Order and Roll Call of Governing Board Members

The Executive Session was called to order by President Dr. Luna-Najera at 8:13 p.m. with the following members present: Dr. Kino Flores, Vice President, Mr. Steven Chapman and Mr. Freddie Villalon, and Mr. Devin Del Palacio, Members.

Also in attendance were Mrs. Nora Gutierrez, Superintendent; Mr. Jeremy Calles, Interim Superintendent Designee and Chief Financial Officer; and Mrs. Lea Houston, Interim Governing Board Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary.

B. Reading of Confidentiality Statements

Mr. Chapman read the Confidentiality Statement.

C. Topic for Discussion or Consideration:

a. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.1

(Interim Superintendent Transition Plan)

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D. Adjournment of Executive Session

Mr. Chapman moved to adjourn the Executive Session; seconded by Dr. Flores. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

The Executive Session adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

19. RECONVENING OF REGULAR MEETING

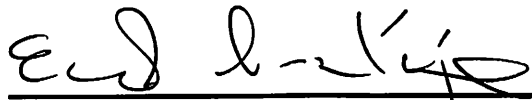
The Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:25 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING(S)

- May 30, 2023 – Regular Meeting **at 3:00 p.m.**
- June 13, 2023 – Regular Meeting with Work Study Session (if needed) **at 3:00 p.m.**
- June 27, 2023 – Regular Meeting **at 3:00 p.m.**

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Mr. Chapman moved that the Governing Board approve adjourning the Regular Meeting; seconded by Mr. Villalon. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0. President Luna-Najera called the Regular Meeting of the Tolleson Union High School District Governing Board adjourned at 9:26 p.m.



Dr. Elda Luna-Najera, Governing Board President