

DATE: JANUARY 12, 2021
TIME: 5:00 PM
LOCATION: CAFETERIA

I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call to Order—**5:00 P.M.**
- B. Roll Call—**Ben Emery, Sandy Pritchett, Cheryl James, Charlie Cruise and Patti Foy present in person**
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Re-order Agenda
- E. Adopt Agenda—**Charlie Cruise moved to adopt agenda as presented. Patti Foy second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**
- F. Call to the Public—**Due to the COVID circumstances the Board made the exception for those speaking via phone could do so with Brandi Lindemuth completing form to speak, only giving name and subject to speak on.**
 - 1. Open
 - 2. Limited-Agenda Items Only—**Miraj Wallace read a letter to the Board addressing comments made by Board members at the initial review of her grievance at the November regular Board meeting. She thanked the Board and encouraged them to make the right decision after reading her letter. Rosemary McGuire yielded her time to Miraj Wallace. Rhonda Smith read a letter of support for extending the superintendent's contract. The letter was signed by staff and teachers at Seligman Unified School District. (Letter read right before entering Executive Session.)**
- G. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. December 8, 2020—**Charlie Cruise moved to approve December 8, 2020, Regular Board meeting minutes. Patti Foy second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**

II. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

- A. Pursuant to ARS 15-321 Organization; election of officers of the board; meetings; execution of warrants; exemptions
 - 1. Election of Board President—**Charlie Cruise moved to elect Sandy Pritchett as Board President. Patti Foy second. Charlie Cruise, Patti Foy and Sandy Pritchett voted aye. Cheryl James voted nay. Ben Emery abstained because the Board did not need his vote. Motion carried. Vote 3-1-1 aye.**
 - 2. Election of Board Clerk—**Patti Foy moved to elect Cheryl James as Board Clerk. Motion died due to lack of second. Ben Emery moved to elect Patti Foy as Board Clerk. Cheryl James second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**
 - 3. Determine Posting Place for Public Places—**Charlie Cruise moved to keep posting locations the same as they are: District Office, Public Library and Post Office exterior bulletin boards and on the school website. Ben Emery second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**
 - 4. Set day, time and place of Regular Meetings—**Charlie Cruise moved to set Board meetings to the second Tuesday of each month at 5:00 P.M. in the school cafeteria. Ben Emery second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**
 - 5. Determine if a hearing officer will be used for student expulsion matters and direct Superintendent to provide list of hearing officers at a future meeting—**Charlie Cruise moved to have a hearing officer used for student expulsion matters and direct Superintendent to provide list of hearing officers at a future meeting. Ben Emery second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**
 - 6. Determine if a hearing officer will be used for Teacher/Superintendent dismissal hearings—**Charlie Cruise moved to utilize a hearing officer for Teacher/Superintendent dismissal hearings. Patti Foy second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**
 - 7. Authorize the signing of vouchers between meetings and ratifying them at the next board meeting—**Charlie Cruise moved to authorize the signing of vouchers between meetings and ratifying them at the next Board meeting. Ben Emery second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.**

III. PRESENTATIONS

- A. State of the Seligman Schools Facilities, Stephan Knott—**Power Point presentation reviewing all the big projects that have been completed as well as future projects.**

IV. DISCUSSION ON 2020-2021 REPORTS

A. Board Report

- ASBA—**Patti Foy has materials available to the Board to review on the roles of Board Members and Open Meeting Law. The ASAB site has many helpful webinars available to use.**
- Board Members

B. Superintendent Report

- General Updates—**As of Jan. 4 our elementary K-8 enrollment is at 80 students and high school is at 38 students.**
 - **We will return to in person learning on January 25th.**
 - **Yavapai County will be here on January 21 to administer the first does of the Covid19 vaccine. The second does is set for February 25th.**
 - **AIA met to reconsider the cancellation of winter sports. They voted to continue as regularly scheduled. Our first home game will be Tuesday, January 19th at 3:30 and 5:00 P.M.**
- Departmental Reports, sent electronically for review

V. RECOGNITION, CELEBRATION, AND DONATION**VI. CONSENT AGENDA—**Charlie Cruise moved to approve consent agenda as presented. Ben Emery second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye.****

Consent Agenda – All those items listed below may be enacted by one motion and approved as consent agenda items. Any item may be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately if a member of the governing board requests. A copy of documents supporting each item may be obtained from the business office Monday through Thursday from the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- A. Ratification of Expense Vouchers FY 2020-21: 1025-1028
- B. Ratification of Payroll Vouchers FY 2020-21: 19-21
- C. Ratify hiring of Middle School Boys Basketball Coach, Meghan Dumford
- D. Ratify hiring of Middle School Girls Cheer Coach, Brandi Lindemuth

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Motion to move into Executive Session—**Ben Emery moved to go into Executive Session. Cheryl James second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye. 5:51 P.M.**

The Governing Board reserves the right to move into Executive Session for legal advice with its attorneys for any item listed on the agenda, in person or telephonically, pursuant to ARS 38-431.03. (A)(3). More specificity about the executive session is set out below.

- ***Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(3), the Governing Board may vote to move into Executive Session to meet with the District's Attorney for legal advice regarding the Grievance and allegations of discrimination, recommended legal actions. As to item VIII A. Motion on Appeal of Miraj Wallace.***
- ***Pursuant to ARS-38-431.03 A.1 The Governing Board may vote to convene an Executive session for "discussion of employment, assignment, appointment, promotions, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee." as to item IX A. Possible Renewal and Extension of Superintendent Contract***

No Action will be taken in Executive Session

- B. Motion to Resume Open Session—**Charlie Cruise moved to resume Open Session. Ben Emery second. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 aye. 7:39 P.M.**

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Motion on Appeal of Miraj Wallace—**Patti Foy moved to affirm the Superintendent's response to the grievance of Mirage Wallace for diversity training to all staff and provide diversity training for all staff. Charlie Cruise second. Patti Foy, Cheryl James, Sandy Pritchett and Charlie Cruise voted aye. Ben Emery voted nay. Motion carried. Vote 4-1 aye.**

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion Possible Action for Renewal and Extension of Superintendent Contract—**Patti Foy moved to extend Superintendent, Mr. Phillip's contract for two years. Charlie Cruise second. Patti Foy, Cheryl James, Sandy Pritchett and Charlie Cruise voted aye. Ben Emery voted nay. Motion carried. Vote 4-1 aye.**

Board President, Sandy Pritchett, excused Board member, Ben Emery. 7:42 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT—Charlie Cruise moved to adjourn meeting. Cheryl James second. Motion carried. Vote 4-0 aye. 7:42 P.M.

SIGNING OF MINUTES