

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
WINSLOW UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1  
GOVERNING BOARD**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The special meeting of the Governing Board of Winslow Unified School District No. 1 was called to order by Mrs. Sharon Greenwood, President, at 3:07 p.m. on December 11, 2019, in the District Board Room, 800 Apache Ave., Second Floor, Winslow, Arizona.

**PRESENT:** Mrs. Sharon Greenwood  
Mrs. Marilee Ervien  
Mrs. Josephine Montoya

**ABSENT:** Mr. Joey Hartnett  
Mr. Allen Leonard

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Mrs. Montoya made a motion to approve the agenda. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Ervien and carried with a vote of “aye” from all members present.

**CALL TO PUBLIC:** Mrs. Greenwood invited public comments on any listed items on the agenda at this time. She requested that anyone speaking should state their full name for the record and confine their remarks to three minutes or less. She stated that no action will be taken as a result of public comments. She reminded the public that the Board expects citizens who address the Board to present concerns regarding the activities in question rather than make personal attacks upon board members, staff or others present or absent according to Governing Board Policy BEDH. In addition, questions or comments on matters that are currently under legal review will not be accepted per Board Policy BEDH, Public Participation at Board Meetings. Anyone wishing to discuss an issue with the Governing Board that is not on the agenda should complete form WPS 511 located on the entrance table. Copies will be distributed to all board members for their consideration.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A. Mrs. Mattox recommended that the Governing Board appoint Mrs. Larissa Richards as the interim assistant principal at Winslow High School through the end of the 2019/2020 school year. The position posting will be removed from the district website until mid-March 2020. This affords the High School the opportunity to collect more applications.

Mrs. Ervien made a motion to approve the appointment of Mrs. Larissa Richards to be the interim assistant principal until the end of the the 2019/2020 school year. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Montoya. All members present voted “aye” and the motion passed.

The Governing Board members were pleased that Mrs. Richards is willing to provide the coverage needed at the High School. They asked what the plan was regarding the absence of the academic coach.

Mrs. Richards explained that each site is going to establish a peer mentoring program. She and Ms. Amanda Leonard will identify teachers at each site that would be willing to act as peer mentors. Mrs. Mattox shared that she has asked the principals to also be aware of the newer teachers needing support or guidance.

Mrs. Montoya asked Dr. James Donner, High School Principal, if he is ready for this change. He expressed his confidence in Mrs. Richards.

Dr. Donner explained that peer mentoring district wide is an opportunity for the experienced teachers to step up and help new teachers be successful.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 3:14 pm, Mrs. Montoya made a motion to adjourn the special meeting and Mrs. Ervien seconded it. All members voted "aye" and the motion carried.

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President

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Vice-President

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Clerk

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Cyndie Mattox, Superintendent