Notice of Public Meeting Sedona-Oak Creek Joint Unified School District #9 **Strategic Planning Team Committee**

January 23, 2018, 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mr. Groves called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Roll Call of Members

2.

Members Present:

Don Groves Cindy Ramirez Debbie Jones Cindy Hauserman Susan Bailey Marianna Laas

Jennifer Chilton Katie Chorlton Heather Isom Jay Litwicki Clair Ramos

Deana Dewitt Carolyn Fisher Melissa Cristallo Darrin Karuzas Kathy Featherstone

Also Present: Heather Hermen, Karen McClelland, Russ Snider, Audrey Cleveland, and Rebekah Wahlberg from the Red Rock News.

3. **Approval of Minutes from January 16, 2018** Don Groves Motion made by Debbie Jones/Seconded by Cindy Hauserman: A motion to approve the minutes from January 16, 2018 carried unanimously.

4. **Final Report from Education Forecasting** Jay Litwicki **Sub-Committee**

Ms. Ramos updated the committee on two minor revisions on population numbers made by the general data sub-committee.

Mr. Litwicki updated the committee on the education forecasting sub-committee's findings, including: collaborative learning, partnerships, addressing social, emotional, and character student needs, programming, graduation rate, district-wide ecosystem audit, funding challenges, and demographic trends. He noted that "one size fits all" is no longer applicable in education.

5. **Discussion of Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives** Don Groves Mr. Groves gave a PPT to stimulate discussion that included: building on programs already in place, need for a business plan, elevating student success through unity, inclusion, and cohesion, funding through a Foundation and grants, transportation to other districts, marketing nationwide, tracking students coming and going, changes to our mission statement and logo, affordable housing, raising teacher salaries, and need for more professional development. Also discussed were a unified pre K-12 approach, junior and senior high offerings, embedding STEM in the IB program, and offering a high caliber educational product. Mr. Groves then opened the discussion up to the group for options/feedback.

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Mr. Snider suggested we contact the Sedona Charter School about becoming part of the district. Mr. Litwicki stated we need an audit of what we are before we decide what we'll become. It was agreed that goals should be realistic and quantifiable. It was further agreed that the Committee's Vision Statement would be, *"We aim to be leaders in pre K-12 education in an exponentially changing world."*

Goals identified were: 1) an educational program with multiple pathways, 2) inclusion, unity, and cohesion, 3) marketing, 4) fundraising and financing, and 5) recruiting and retaining a highly qualified staff. These goals will be discussed at individual site staff meetings, and feedback will be reported at the next meeting.

6. Discussion of Whether to Archive or Dispose of Don Groves Individual Community Forum Comments

This item was tabled until January 30, 2018.

7. Discussion of Future Meeting and Work Session Dates/Times

Mr. Groves suggested the committee meet again on Tuesday, January 30, 2018, 4:00 p.m. at Big Park School to: review the results of student surveys, share staff feedback, and develop objectives for identified goals. It was further agreed that the committee should meet with the governing board in an open work session to present goals and objectives, so the public can attend if desired.

8. Adjournment

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The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Submitted by: Sally Cadigan