

# **Sedona-Oak Creek Joint Unified School District #9**

**Tuesday, March 5, 2019, 4:00 p.m.**

## **MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order** Randy Hawley  
Mr. Hawley called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance** Randy Hawley  
Mr. Hawley led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll Call of Members** Randy Hawley  
Heather Hermen  
Karen McClelland  
Karl Wiseman  
Lauren Robinson
- IV. Statement of Welcome** Randy Hawley  
Mr. Hawley welcomed the audience of citizens.
- V. Call to the Public** Randy Hawley  
There were no comments from the audience of citizens.
- VI. Governing Board Member Comments** Board Members  
Ms. Hermen reported that her Rotary Club raised \$4,000.00 for high school scholarships, and that she is a volunteer track coach at WSS. Mr. Hawley congratulated WSS on its Galileo growth.
- VII. Superintendent's Update** Denny Dearden  
Mr. Dearden shared information from the FFMA Director's meeting. In addition he reported on: recruiting trips, his attendance at Marc Sterling and Tommy Stovall's opening movie of the Sedona Film Festival, *Room for Rent*, work on AzMerit testing, transportation's great job regarding the recent snow issues, the upcoming Stand By Me/Be Drug Free track walk, and the outstanding coordination of Pat Schweiss and our staff regarding the Film Festival.
- VIII. Approve Order of the Agenda Including the Consent Agenda and Minutes** Randy Hawley  
**Motion made by Heather Hermen/Seconded by Karen McClelland:** A motion to approve the order of the agenda including the consent agenda and minutes carried by a vote of 5-0.
- IX. Business Items and Presentations**
- A. WSS 6th Grade STEM Field Trip to California** Barbra Robles  
Ms. Robles, Ms. Krog, and Ms. Rodgers were present to request permission for the 6th grade to attend the Project Exploration trip to San Diego. This trip has replaced the trip to Camp Colton,

and will be the third time they have traveled to San Diego. The trip is scheduled for May 8-10, and will focus on life science and marine life. Funding was discussed.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve West Sedona School's 6th Grade field trip to California.

**Motion made by Heather Hermen/Seconded by Randy Hawley:** A motion to approve West Sedona School's 6th grade field trip to California carried by a vote of 5-0.

B. Academic Calendar for the 2019-2020 school year Deana DeWitt

Ms. DeWitt presented the final draft of the academic calendar, approved by all Verde Valley superintendents, for the 2019-2020 school year.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible approval of the 2019-2020 academic calendar as presented.

**Motion made by Heather Hermen/Seconded by Lauren Robinson:** A motion to approve the 2019-2020 academic calendar as presented by Ms. DeWitt carried by a vote of 5-0.

C. Addition of the AP Capstone Program at the high school to replace Senior Exhibitions Deana DeWitt

Ms. DeWitt presented information on graduation pathways. Information included: transitioning from Senior Exhibition to AP Capstone, background and challenges of the Exhibition, and solutions of AP Capstone. She further explained what the AP Capstone and AP Research & Seminar programs entail, the benefits of each program, and support from colleges.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve the addition of the College Board AP Capstone courses to the high school program of study.

**Motion made by Randy Hawley/Seconded by Heather Hermen:** A motion to approve the addition of the College Board AP Capstone courses to the high school program of study carried by a vote of 5-0.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve the offering of the AP Seminar & AP Research Certificate and AP Capstone Diploma at the high school as graduation pathways.

**Motion made by Randy Hawley/Seconded by Heather Hermen:** A motion to approve the offerings of the AP Seminar and AP Research Certificate and the AP Capstone Diploma at the high school as graduation pathways carried by a vote of 5-0.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to remove the requirement of the .5 credit for Senior Exhibition as a graduation requirement at the high school.

**Motion made by Randy Hawley/Seconded by Karen McClelland:** A motion to remove the requirement of the .5 credit for Senior Exhibition as a graduation requirement at the high school carried by a vote of 4-1. Mr. Hawley, Ms. Hermen, Ms. McClelland, and Ms. Robinson voted aye, and Mr. Wiseman voted nay.

D. IGA with the City of Sedona for Use of Facilities Jennifer Chilton

Ms. Chilton presented an updated IGA with the City of Sedona for use of facilities. The IGA will be for a period of three years, and has been approved by the district's attorney.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve an IGA with the City of Sedona for Use of Facilities.

**Motion made by Heather Hermen/Seconded by Lauren Robinson:** A motion to approve an IGA with the City of Sedona for Use of Facilities carried by a vote of 5-0.

- E. IGA with the City of Sedona for Operation and Maintenance of the Sedona Community Swimming Pool Jennifer Chilton

Ms. Chilton presented an updated IGA with the City of Sedona for operation and maintenance of the community swimming pool. This IGA is for a period of three years, and has been approved by the district's attorney.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve an IGA with the City of Sedona for Operation and Maintenance of the Sedona Community Swimming Pool.

**Motion made by Heather Hermen/Seconded by Lauren Robinson:** A motion to approve an IGA with the City of Sedona for Operation and Maintenance of the Sedona Community Swimming Pool carried by a vote of 5-0.

- F. Affiliation Agreement with NAU to allow social work internships in the district Heather Shaw-Burton

Ms. Shaw-Burton recommended that the district enter into an agreement with Northern Arizona University to allow students from the University to participate in paid or unpaid educational experiences in the district that may qualify for University academic credit, as determined by the University.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to enter into an Affiliation Agreement with Northern Arizona University to allow students from the University to participate in social work internships for academic credit.

**Motion made by Karen McClelland/Seconded by Heather Hermen:** A motion to enter into an Affiliation Agreement with Northern Arizona University to allow students from the University to participate in social work internships for academic credit carried by a vote of 5-0.

- G. Conflict of Interest Waiver with Yavapai County for E-Rate, Substitute Teacher Consolidation, Data Hosting, and Therapy Services Randy Hawley

This is an annual item that allows the Yavapai County Attorney's office to act on the district's behalf in the above noted services. The waiver has been approved by the district's attorney.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve the conflict of interest waiver with the Yavapai County Attorney's office for E-Rate, Substitute Teacher Consolidation, Data Hosting, and Therapy Services for FY 2019-2020.

**Motion made by Karen McClelland/Seconded by Randy Hawley:** A motion to approve a conflict of interest waiver with Yavapai County for E-Rate, Substitute Teacher Consolidation, Data Housing, and Therapy Services for FY 19-20 carried by a vote of 5-0.

## **X. Personnel**

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve/reject renewal of Certified Contracts for SY 2019/2020. (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1) - Personnel):

A list of certified contracts was reviewed. Mr. Hawley explained the board's responsibilities in personnel matters. Mr. Wiseman expressed dissatisfaction with this format. Ms. Shaw-Burton stated that approved contracts would be distributed on March 6th.

**Motion made by Randy Hawley/Seconded by Heather Hermen:** A motion to approve all Certified Contracts for SY 19/20 as presented carried by a vote of 4-1. Mr. Hawley, Ms. Hermen, Ms. McClelland, and Ms. Robinson voted aye, and Mr. Wiseman voted nay.

- B. Discussion and possible action to approve/reject renewal of Classified Letters of Employment and Term Contracts for SY 2019/2020. (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1) - Personnel).

A list of classified letters of employment and term contracts was reviewed.

**Motion made by Randy Hawley/Seconded by Karen McClelland:** A motion to approve all Classified Letters of Employment and Term Contracts for SY 19/20 as presented carried by a vote of 4-1. Mr. Hawley, Ms. Hermen, Ms. McClelland, and Ms. Robinson voted aye, and Mr. Wiseman voted nay.

- C. Discussion and possible action to approve/reject renewal of Administrative Contracts for SY 2019/2020 (A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1) Personnel).

A list of administrative contracts was reviewed.

**Motion made by Karen McClelland/Seconded by Lauren Robinson:** A motion to approve all Administrative Contracts for SY 19/20 as presented carried by a vote of 4-1. Mr. Hawley, Ms. Hermen, Ms. McClelland, and Ms. Robinson voted aye, and Mr. Wiseman voted nay.

- D. Discussion and possible action to approve certified and classified resignations and retirements.

A list of resignations and retirements was reviewed.

**Motion made by Heather Hermen/Seconded by Randy Hawley:** A motion to approve all resignations and retirements as presented carried by a vote of 4-0. Mr. Hawley, Ms. Hermen, Ms. McClelland, and Ms. Robinson voted aye, and Mr. Wiseman abstained.

- E. Discussion and possible action to non-renew the employment contracts of certified staff due to a reduction in force (RIF) caused by a lack of sufficient funding.

A list of non-renewal of employment contracts due to lack of funding was reviewed.

**Motion made by Karen McClelland/Seconded by Heather Hermen:** A motion to approve the non-renewal of employment contracts as presented due to reduction in staff caused by lack of sufficient funding carried by a vote of 4-0. Mr. Hawley, Ms. Hermen, Ms. McClelland, and Ms. Robinson voted aye, and Mr. Wiseman abstained.

F. Discussion and possible action to non-renew the employment contracts of certified staff.

A list of non-renewal of employment contracts for performance was reviewed.

**Motion made by Randy Hawley/Seconded by Heather Hermen:** A motion to approve the non-renewal of certified staff as presented carried by a vote of 5-0.

**XI. Other Business**

Randy Hawley

Future board meeting dates and agenda items:

The next meeting will be held on April 2nd. The V'ACTE board will be invited to meet with our board at 3:00 on that day.

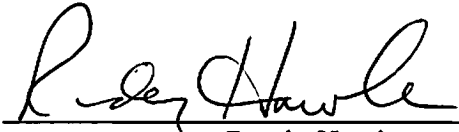
**XII. Adjournment**

Randy Hawley

**Motion made by Heather Hermen/Seconded by Lauren Robinson:** A motion to adjourn carried by a vote of 5-0 at 5:36 p.m.

Submitted by:  
Sally Cadigan

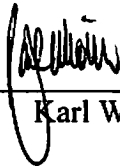
Signature of Attendees:



Randy Hawley



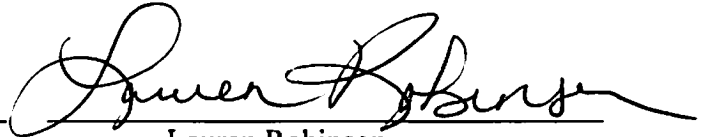
Heather Hermen



Karl Wiseman



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Lauren Robinson