

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

May 3, 2022  
Regular Public Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order** Randy Hawley  
Mr. Hawley called the meeting to order at 4:00.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance** Randy Hawley  
Mr. Hawley led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll Call of Members** Randy Hawley, President  
Lauren Robinson, V-P  
Karen McClelland, (excused)  
Maria Husted, Member  
Barbara Trautwein, (virtual)  
Hunter White, Student Rep
- IV. Statement of Welcome** Randy Hawley
- V. Call to the Public** Randy Hawley  
There were no comments from the public.
- VI. Governing Board Member Comments** Board Members  
Lauren Robinson and Randy Hawley expressed thanks to Stacy Saravo for her hard work in the business office.
- VII. Student Representative's Update** Hunter White  
Hunter White gave an overview of events at the high school. Students are in high spirits as summer nears. AP testing is underway. The Interact Club is hosting a walk-a-thon on May 7 to benefit Hope House. Donations are welcome. Student Council elections will take place this month. Hunter White will take part in Boys State. Students recently took the ACT as a state standardized test and are happy that these results can be submitted with college applications.
- VIII. Superintendent's Update** Denny Dearden  
Superintendent Dearden gave an overview of events throughout the district. Mr. Dearden expressed thanks to Stacy Saravo and acknowledged an award for financial excellence from AASBO. Mr. Dearden gave congratulations to Elizabeth Tavasci on her new role as Principal at West Sedona School and to Heather Isom on her new role as Assistant Principal at the high school. Both have recently completed an extensive leadership program and will be great assets to the district in their new roles. Yuiko Ames has been recognized as a Champion of Education for the high school. Elizabeth Tavasci received this same honor for the elementary school. Marty Meyer was recognized by Sedona Rotary as the teacher of the year at junior high school. Deb Sanders was recognized as teacher of the year at West Sedona School. AP testing is underway. Prom was held last week and was a great event. STEM activities have been held at the junior high and

elementary school. Summer School will take place in June. Most positions for SY 22-23 have been filled. There have been several internal changes to move teachers to their passion areas. A new Student Resource Officer is in place. 100 Women Who Care has donated funds to Wildcat Extended Day for SY 22-23.

**IX. Approve Order of the Agenda Including the Consent Agenda and Minutes** Randy Hawley

**Motion made by Lauren Robinson/Maria Husted:** A motion to approve the order of the agenda including the consent agenda and minutes carried by a vote of 4-0.

**X. Business Items and Presentations**

**A. Call for Election for Governing Board Members on the November 8, 2022 Ballot** Randy Hawley

Mr. Hawley gave an overview of upcoming elections. There will be two spots on the ballot as board Vice President Lauren Robinson and Member Karen McClelland's terms are both expiring at the end of the year.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to call for an election of Governing Board Members on the November 8, 2022 ballot.

**Motion made by Maria Husted/Seconded by Barbara Trautwein:** A motion to call for an election of Governing Board Members on the November 8, 2022 ballot carried by a vote of 4-0 .

**B. Issues for ASBA's 2023 Political Agenda** Dennis Dearden

**ATTACHMENT**

Superintendent Dearden gave an overview of issues for the ASBA 2023 Political Agenda. He relayed that Karen McClelland (who was not in attendance) has given her support to the proposed issues. Superintendent Dearden agrees that these are the key issues facing education in the state. Randy Hawley would like to see the Public School Tax Credit limit extended to match the amount allowed to be given to private Schools. The consensus among board members was that this would be a positive addition to ASBA's agenda.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to submit proposed issues for consideration for ASBA's 2023 Political Agenda.

**Motion made by Lauren Robinson/Seconded by Maria Husted:** A motion to submit the proposed issues for consideration for ASBA's 2023 Political Agenda including an increase in the state Tax Credit for public schools equal to the amount allowed for private schools carried by a vote of 4-0.

**C. Federal Single-Audit and USFR Compliance** Stacy Saravo

**ATTACHMENT**

Ms. Saravo gave an overview of the federal single-audit, which reviews one federal grant, and the USFR questionnaire, which identifies areas for improvement. Acceptance by the board is a new state requirement.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to accept the federal single-audit and USFR questionnaire.

**Motion made by Randy Hawley/Seconded by Maria Husted:** A motion to accept the federal single-audit and USFR questionnaire carried by a vote of 4-0.

**D. Second reading of Policy GDL**

Stacy Saravo

Ms. Saravo gave an overview of the policy change that would remove the requirement for a mandatory 30 minute unpaid break for classified employees. Breaks will still be encouraged. Mr. Hawley asked about the impact on staff. Ms. Saravo explained that this will likely be a welcome change as it provides employees more flexibility. It will not result in any additional expenses by the district.

**ATTACHMENT**

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to remove the mandatory 30 minute unpaid lunch period for classified staff in SY 2022-23 from Policy GDL.

**Motion made by Maria Husted/Seconded by Lauren Robinson:** A motion to remove the mandatory 30 minute unpaid lunch period for classified staff in SY 2022-23 carried by a vote of 4-0.

**E. IGA with YCESA for Substitute Teacher Services**

Stacy Saravo

**ATTACHMENT**

Ms. Saravo gave an overview of the IGA. YCESA has done a good job of scheduling our substitute service over the past several years. This IGA renewal would allow that service to continue.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve the annual IGA with YCESA to provide Substitute Teacher Consolidation Services for FY 22-23.

**Motion made by Lauren Robinson/Seconded by Maria Husted:** A motion to approve the annual IGA with YCESA to provide Substitute Teacher Consolidation Services for FY 22-23 carried by a vote of 4-0.

**F. 21/22 Budget Revision**

Stacy Saravo

**ATTACHMENT**

Ms. Saravo gave an overview of the budget revision. SOCUSD received nearly \$300,000 due to lower than projected student losses. The budget has been revised to show those dollars. The district will continue to budget conservatively and is in the position to carry 3% forward to next school year.

**ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action to approve the revised 21/22 budget as presented.

**Motion made by Maria Husted/Seconded by Lauren Robinson:** A motion to approve the revised 21/22 budget as presented carried by a vote of 4-0.

**XI. Other Business**

Randy Hawley

Future board meeting dates and agenda items: The next governing board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7 at 4:00 PM.

**XII. Adjournment**

Randy Hawley

Motion made by Maria Husted/Lauren Robinson to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 carried by a vote of 4-0.

Submitted by: Amanda Stanfield

Signature of Attendees:



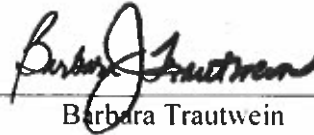
Randy Hawley



Lauren Robinson



Maria Husted



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