

CASA GRANDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

220 West Kortsen Road
Casa Grande, Arizona

The Governing Board of the Casa Grande Elementary School District No. 4 met Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in the Governing Board Room, Elementary Administration Building, 220 West Kortsen Road, Casa Grande, Arizona.

1.01 Call to Order:

Mr. Stabley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.02 Roll Call:

Present:

Jerry Stabley, President
Blanca Varela
Adelphia Sisson
Lorenza Martinez
Michael Cruz

Adam Leckie, Ed.D., Superintendent
Nicole Wheatcroft, CFO
Van Ornelas, Director
Stacy Howell, Director
Tim Mace, Director
Jennifer McClintic, Director
Dennis York, Director
Jan Draper, Director
Sherrie Gill, Executive Assistant

Also Present:
See Exhibit 1

Casa Grande Dispatch:
Jodie Newell

Celie Downey-Foye, Principal
Lisa Dempsey, Director
Stephanie Sander, Principal

David Owen, Principal
Samantha Sarnowski, Principal

1.03 Mrs. Sisson led the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

2.01 Agenda Adoption:

Mrs. Sisson moved that the agenda be accepted and adopted, as presented.

Mr. Cruz seconded the motion. Board members voted as follows and the motion passed:

Board member	In Favor	Against
Mike Cruz	X	
Lorenza Martinez	X	
Adelphia Sisson	X	
Jerry Stabley	X	
Blanca Varela	X	

3.01 Mr. Cruz shared that the celebration of life for former Board Member, Tom Ramsdell was held Saturday, July 29th. He thanked Mr. Stabley for being in attendance.

4.01 Superintendent's Report

- The school year is in it's third week. This has been the best start since before COVID. There were lots of smiles.
- The district has an increase of approximately 200 students.
- In becoming a destination district, there is a goal of making decisions to provide a quality of instruction same as all of Arizona, focusing on math.
- The district will be focusing on the importance of attendance.
- We will be expanding monthly recognitions at Board meetings.

5.01 Call to the Public

There were no requests to speak.

6.01 Mr. Stabley called for objections from Board members, staff, and the public regarding consent agenda items.

Mr. Cruz asked to remove item 6.14.

Mrs. Varela moved that the agenda items marked with an asterisk, with the exception of item 6.14, be approved and/or ratified.

Mrs. Sisson seconded the motion. Board members voted as follows and the motion passed:

Board member	In Favor	Against
Mike Cruz	X	
Lorenza Martinez	X	
Adelphia Sisson	X	
Jerry Stabley	X	
Blanca Varela	X	

*6.02 The minutes of the July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting were approved by the Governing Board.

*6.03 The following certified personnel actions were approved/ratified by the Governing Board:

EMPLOYMENT			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Andres, Janilyn	COIL/CGOLA	School Counselor	7/24/2023
Asis, Joyce	Villago	Teacher - 6-8 PE	8/7/2023
Baumgarten, Lori	Desert Willow	Teacher - 3rd Grade	7/11/2023
Internoscia, Megan	Ironwood	Teacher - 5th Grade	7/21/2023
Mills, Michelle	Mesquite	Teacher - 4th Grade	7/10/2023
Petersheim, Suzanne	Saguaro	Teacher - 4th Grade	7/17/2023
Pontalba, Jose	Villago	Teacher - 7th Math	7/10/2023
Rakotz, Kelsea	Cactus	Teacher - 6th Language Arts	7/10/2023
Saraficio, Mark	CGMS	Teacher - 7/8 Science	7/10/2023
Wilgosz, Yvonne	Mesquite	Teacher - Sped Extended Resource	7/12/2023
RECLASSIFICATION			
NAME	LOCATION	NEW POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Curtiss, Amy	Ironwood	School Psychologist	7/12/2023
Downey-Foye, Celie	Mesquite	Principal	7/1/23
Goldberg, Cassie	District	Vehicle Stipend	8/9/2023
Gray, Stacy	District	Vehicle Stipend	8/9/2023
Parrett, Monique	ECLC	Teacher - Sped Preschool	7/18/2023
Pleus, Jonathan	Desert Willow	Teacher - PE	7/24/2023
Wright, Aimee	ECLC	Early Childhood Coordinator	7/5/2023
Thorpe, Claire	Cholla	Teacher - Band	7/18/2023
Phillips, Steven	Saguaro	Teacher - Band	7/18/2023
Van Der Pol, Randall	CGOLA/COIL	Teacher - Music	7/18/2023
RESIGNATIONS			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Hays, Jamie	Cottonwood	Teacher - 3rd Grade	5/25/2023
Lafferty, Chad	Villago	Teacher - 7th Science	7/7/2023
Lorona, Guillermina	Cactus	Teacher - Sped	5/25/2023
Ontiveros, Laura	Cactus	Teacher - 6th Social Studies	7/21/2023
Sutherland, Melissa	Ironwood	Teacher - 5th Grade	7/17/2023

NEW POSITIONS			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
EDEP - Psychologist	District	EDEP - Psychologist	7/24/2023
LEAVE OF ABSENCE			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Sosa, Carlos	Desert Willow	Teacher - Sped MSI	7/18/2023
Schimmel, Natasha	McCartney Ranch	Teacher - 5th Grade	8/14/2023
Retirement Notice			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Anderson, Tracey	Palo Verde	Teacher - 1st Grade	5/23/2024

*6.04 The following classified personnel actions were approved/ratified by the Governing Board:

EMPLOYMENT			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Aultman, Sarah	Ironwood	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/20/2023
Baez-Martinez, Michelle	CGMS	Education Assistant - Special Education	7/20/2023
Brehmer, Angela	Desert Willow	Education Assistant - Special Education	8/7/2023
Buitimea-Del Cid, Gabriela	Facility Services	Custodian	7/27/2023
Cervantes, Eduvijes	Ironwood	Office Specialist	8/3/2023
Chavarria, Monica	CGMS	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/27/2023
Chavez, Lizette	Mesquite	Education Assistant -K-3 Reading	8/3/2023
Clark, Isaiah	Mesquite	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	8/3/2023
Cobb, Starr	McCartney Ranch	Education Assistant - K-3 Reading	8/10/2023
Crawford, Koreena	TAES	Human Resources Technician - Sub Coordinator	7/25/2023
Cuellar Tualla, America	Palo Verde	Education Assistant - Academic Intervention	7/27/2023
Dalrymple Malouff, Karen	Financial Services	Accounting Specialist	7/27/2023
Diaz, Daisy	Ironwood	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/20/2023

Dranttel, Kareena	Desert Willow	Associate Teacher - 2nd Grade	7/11/2023
Edwards, Kaitlyn	Nutrition Services	Cafe Assistant	8/10/2023
Estrada, Arlene	Cactus	Administrative Assistant	7/20/2023
Ieremia, Leionah	CGMS	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/27/2023
Jauregui, Nicholas	Saguaro	Education Assistant - K-3 Reading	8/10/2023
Layna, Theresa	Villago	Education Assistant - Special Education	8/3/2023
Legarda Cisneros, Jennifer	Saguaro	Education Assistant - Special Education	7/20/2023
Machado, Ines	Nutrition Services	Cafe Site Assistant Manager	7/27/2023
Magsam, Linda	Transportation	Bus Driver	7/27/2023
Marquez, Lisa	Cottonwood	Associate Teacher - 1st Grade	7/17/2023
Moreno, Maria	Ironwood	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023
Munoz, Francisca	COIL	Cafe Site Assistant Manager	7/20/2023
Nicholson, Angela	Cottonwood	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	8/3/2023
Ochoa, Jetzaly	Mesquite	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/27/2023
Ortega-Harris, Dominga	Desert Willow	Education Specialist - Kinderplus	7/27/2023
Pena, Amber	Villago	Education Assistant - Special Education	7/20/2023
Reyes, Angelina	Ironwood	Associate Teacher - Art	7/10/2023
Robision, Amanda	Cholla	Office Specialist	8/10/2023
Roman, Elena	Desert Willow	Health Office Technician	8/3/2023
Rosenthal, Marcia	Business Services	District Registrar	7/20/2023
Sanchez, Miah	McCartney Ranch	Education Assistant - Grade Level Support	7/27/2023
Sarabia, Lina	Saguaro	Education Assistant - K-3 Reading	8/3/2023
Smith, Kathleen	Desert Willow	Education Assistant - Special Education	7/27/2023
Thompson, Taylor	ECLC	Early Education Assistant	7/20/2023
Tye, Jessica	Cactus	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/27/2023
Valdez, Valeria	Desert Willow	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/27/2023
Vargas-Bustos, Christina	Desert Willow	Noon Assistant	8/3/2023
White, Bianca	Mesquite	Education Assistant - Student Support	8/3/2023
RECLASSIFICATION			
NAME	LOCATION	NEW POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Adams, Pamela	Transportation	Router Bus Driver	8/9/2023

Archuleta-Jones, Clarissa	Desert Willow	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023
Castro, Jessica	McCartney Ranch	Education Assistant - K-3 Reading	7/20/2023
Colter, Adam	Palo Verde	Associate Teacher	7/10/2023
Dodge, Jeannie	Palo Verde	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023
Dunaway, Rebecca	Transportation	Special Needs Bus Driver	7/24/2023
Flores, Roberto	CGMS	Crossing Guard	7/24/2023
Garcia, Carolyne	Ironwood	Education Assistant - K-3 Reading	7/20/2023
Garnice, Sara	Cottonwood	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023
Garrison, Lynnette	McCartney Ranch	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023
Hernandez, Yasmin	Transportation	Special Needs Coordinator	8/9/2023
Hussak, Samantha	McCartney Ranch	Education Specialist - Kinderplus	7/20/2023
Lapin, Yvonne	Nutrition Services	Cafe Site Assistant Manager	7/24/2023
Lead Dispatcher	Transportation	Lead Dispatcher	8/9/2023
Mena, Elodia	Transportation	Lead Dispatcher	8/9/2023
Mendoza, Zulma	ECLC	Speech Language Pathology Assistant	7/20/2023
Miller, Joleen	TAES	TAES Coordinator	8/9/23
Montoya, Henry	Transportation	Bus Driver	7/24/2023
Montoya, Sandra	Mesquite	Associate Teacher	7/18/2023
Moore, Heather	McCartney Ranch	Education Assistant - Title I	7/20/2023
Moreno, Maria	Ironwood	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023
Negrete, Karen	McCartney Ranch	Education Specialist - Kinderplus	7/18/2023
Pascual, Kathy	Teaching & Learning	Administrative Assistant	7/17/2023
Ramirez, Cierra	Transportation	Van Driver	7/24/2023
Rodman, Lori	Cholla	Administrative Assistant	7/24/2023
Router/Bus Driver	Transportation	Router/Bus Driver	8/9/2023
Sanchez, Angela	Financial Services	Guest Administrative Assistant	7/1/2023
Sellers, Travis	Villago	Associate Teacher - 7th Science	7/31/2023
Special Needs Coordinator	Transportation	Special Needs Coordinator	8/9/2023
Steuver, Shutong	Mesquite	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/20/2023
Transportation Training Referral Coordinator	Transportation	Transportation Training Referral Coordinator	8/9/2023
Valenzuela, Maria	Transportation	Bus Driver	8/3/2023
Walker, Reyna	Saguaro	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023

Western, Kimberly	Desert Willow	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education MSI	7/19/2023
Wickersheim, Sabrina	Cholla	Education Assistant - Day Assistant	7/24/2023
RESIGNATION			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
Decker, Destiny	ECLC	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/18/2023
Escobedo, Graciela	Nutrition Services	Cafe Assistant	7/24/2023
Garcia, Gabriela	Cottonwood	Office Specialist	7/17/2023
Jones, Tiffany	Desert Willow	Health Office Technician	7/17/2023
Joye, Robert	Transportation	Bus Driver Sub	7/17/2023
Leavitt, Mackenzie	COIL/CGOLA	Education Specialist - Early Childhood	7/17/2023
Machado, Ines	Nutrition Services	Cafe Site Assistant Manager	7/27/2023
Melchor, Nadia	Financial Services	Accounting Specialist	7/13/2023
Montijo, Sharity	Villago	Administrative Assistant	7/14/2023
Noriega, Estrella	Ironwood	Office Specialist	7/11/2023
Ramirez, Ana	COIL/CGOLA	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education Floater	7/11/2023
Rodriguez, Eduviges	Transportation	Bus Driver Trainee	7/13/2023
Simpier-Maxam, Simone	Villago	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	7/12/2023
Weitz, Vickie	Mesquite	Education Assistant - Special Education	8/2/2023
Zapata, Amelia	Villago	Education Assistant - Special Education	7/17/2023
NEW POSITIONS			
NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE
	COIL	Educational Assistant - Title I	07/17/2023
Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	ECLC	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	8/9/2023
Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	Evergreen COIL	Education Specialist - Inclusive Education	8/9/2023

- *6.05 The student activities report for July, 2023, had been provided to the Board prior to the meeting.
- *6.06 The financial report for July, 2023 had been provided to the Board prior to the meeting.
- *6.07 The vehicle inventory report for July, 2023 had been provided in the Board's information.

*6.08 The vehicle maintenance report for July, 2023 had been provided in the Board's information.

*6.09 The vouchers presented at the meeting were approved by the Governing Board.

*6.10 The following donations were accepted:

District

The Professional Firefighters of Casa Grande made a large donation of backpacks and school supplies.

McCartney Ranch

McCartney Ranch received \$1,974.15 in donation dollars from Office Max.

Palo Verde

Ms. Haro-Costales had two Donors Choose projects funded in the amount of \$459 and \$504.

Ms. Aldana had a Donors Choose project funded in the amount of \$501.

Ms. Wilson had two Donors Choose projects funded in the amount of \$284 and \$285.

Ms. Anderson had a Donors Choose project funded in the amount of \$526.

Ms. Gabaldon had a Donors Choose project funded in the amount of \$568.

Saguaro

Mrs. Thomas had a Donors Choose project funded in the amount of \$221.

*6.11 Adoption of Signal Peak Conference Bylaws, Constitution and Flag Football Supplement – The Governing Board adopted the documents as proposed.

*6.12 Revision of Regulation IKA-R, Grading/Assessment Systems – Regulations do not require Board approval and was provided for information only.

*6.13 A memorandum from Mr. York regarding Authorization of Sole Source Procurement – Project Momentum Principal Partners and Services Providers was provided to Board members prior to the meeting. The Governing Board authorized individuals on the Arizona Department of Education's Approved Project Momentum Principal Partners and Service Providers list as sole source.

6.14 A memorandum from Mr. York regarding Award RFP for Continuous Improvement Support Services was provided to Board members prior to the meeting.

Discussion included: it looks like a good investment, funding, and will this program work with other current programs.

Mr. Cruz made a motion to authorize the award of RFP #105-1523 for continuous

improvement support services to Huron Studer Education as proposed.

Mrs. Sisson seconded the motion. Board members voted as follows and the motion passed:

Board member	In Favor	Against
Mike Cruz	X	
Lorenza Martinez	X	
Adelphia Sisson	X	
Jerry Stabley	X	
Blanca Varela	X	

*6.15 A memorandum from Mr. York regarding Authorization for Purchase of LETRS Professional Development Courses was provided to Board members prior to the meeting. The Governing Board authorized the Interlocal Agreement with The Interlocal Purchasing System and additionally authorized the purchase from Lexia Learning Systems, LLC based on their TIPS awarded contract as recommended.

*6.16 A memorandum from Mrs. McClintic regarding Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind (ASDB) Regional Cooperative Agreement was provided to Board members prior to the meeting. The Governing Board ratified the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between CGESD and ASDB to provide special education services to students in CGESD.

*6.17 First Reading, Policy Advisory 744-747 – As this was a first reading, no action is required.

7.01 Mrs. Jan Draper, Mrs. Aimee Wright and Ms. Lisa Dempsey presented information to the Board regarding the Possible Adoption of the Proposed Preschool TELL (Teaching Early Language and Literacy) Curriculum. The curricular materials have been available both online and in print at the District Office for the last 60 days, with a live form for public comment available.

Mrs. Varela made a motion to adopt the Proposed Preschool TELL (Teaching Early Language and Literacy) Curriculum as presented.

Mrs. Martinez seconded the motion. Board members voted as follows and the motion passed:

Board member	In Favor	Against
Mike Cruz	X	
Lorenza Martinez	X	
Adelphia Sisson	X	
Jerry Stabley	X	
Blanca Varela	X	

8.01 The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

9.01 Mr. Stabley adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date Approved: 9/12/2023

President