

M-I-N-U-T-E-S
CRANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
March 12, 2019

The Governing Board of the Crane Elementary School District met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at the Crane Board Room, 930 S. Avenue C., Yuma, Arizona. The meeting was called to order by Board President Brenna Paulin at 5:00 p.m.

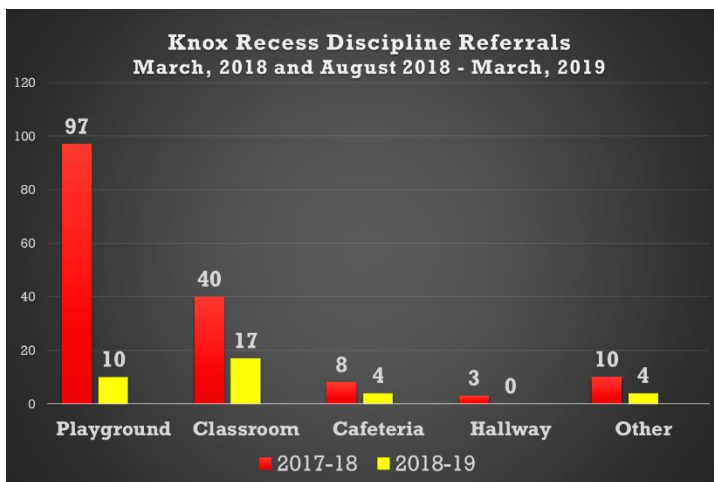
MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Brenna Paulin, Board President; Mrs. Sarah Claridge, Board Clerk; and Mrs. Terre Catanzaro

PARTICIPATING TELEPHONICALLY: Mr. Jim Colby

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Dan Farar

OTHERS PRESENT: Laurie Doering, Superintendent; Mike Hoffman, Assistant Superintendent; Lupe Lewis, Executive Director of Human Resource and Communications; Ozzy Hernandez, Director of Facilities and Maintenance; Mercedes Villafana, Procurement Manager; Ryan Tyree, Principal of Crane Middle School; Cindy Hookstra, Principal of Rancho Viejo Elementary; Tamy Durham, Assistant Principal of Centennial Middle School; Bobbie Henry, Principal of Pueblo Elementary; Sheila Mendoza, Principal of Salida Del Sol Elementary; Trish Valentin, Principal of H.L. Suverkrup Elementary; Jamie Haines, Principal of Gowan Science Academy; Laura Hurt, Principal of Gary A. Knox Elementary; Norine Bowers, Federal Programs Director; Ana Noriega, Principal of Valley Horizon Elementary; Michael Clark, Director of School Nutrition; Karen Burns, Principal of Mesquite Elementary; Tom Fletcher, Principal of Ronald Reagan Elementary; Connie Jerpseth, Director of ESS; Mario Hogue, Community Relations Coordinator; Linda Rodriguez; Angela Rico; Arwa Hassin; Kevin Pond and family; Karime Moreno; Irene L. Sierra; Frances Flynn; Yaneli Walle; Rafael Jaimes; Barbara Broby; Katherine Kaste; Vicki Peterson; Alicia Boelts; and Larry Navarrete.

Item B-1: Presentation by Gary A. Knox Elementary School Students: Mrs. Hurt and Mrs. Steen presented alongside Luke Foppe, Galilea Silvas, Karyme Velasquez, Issael Caro, Daniel Ceballos, and Elizabeth Treynor about their Playworks Junior coach Program. Since the school implemented this program the number of discipline referrals have decreased immensely. Both staff and students have worked hard to implement this program and it has paid off for them.



Item B-2: Presentation by Salida Del Sol Elementary Students: Salida Del Sol Third Grade GAP students presented information about the Biosphere2 in Oracle, AZ. The student took a field trip in February and learned all about it. They did this presentation with the hopes to get people interested in learning and possibly visiting Biosphere2. It is a mini-earth and includes ecosystems like the rainforest, the ocean, a mangrove and a desert. The following students presented: Easton Dahin, Jenesis Arias, Hannah Guzman, Nicole Recio-Sanchez, Jayden Preston, and Jemily Escabedo.



Item B-3: Arizona's Children Association Check Presentation: Mrs. Jamie Haines, Gowan Science Academy Principal presented a check to Ms. Cori Rico, Program Director of Foster Care and Amy Penny, Director of Development with Arizona Children's Association. The students at Gowan raised funds to help the children affected by tragedies in our community and every dollar will go to help children in Yuma County. The school raised over \$16,000.



Item B-4: Recognition of Yuma County Science & Engineering Expo winners:

The Crane Governing Board recognized 35 students who placed either 3rd, 2nd, or 1st place at the Yuma County Science & Engineering Expo recently. The students were presented with a certificate of recognition from the Board.

Item B-5: Recognition of Yuma County Science & Engineering Expo winners:

The Crane Governing Board recognized 5 Crane Middle School students who placed either 3rd, 2nd, or 1st place at the Math Count Competition or who placed in the top 12 in Yuma County. The students were presented with a certificate of recognition from the Board.

Item B-6: Recognition of 2019 Yuma County Teacher of the Year Nominees:

The Crane Governing Board recognized 19 Crane teachers who were selected to represent their school at the 2019 Yuma County Teacher of the Year competition. We are very proud of all of you and wish you the best of luck.

Item C-1: Adoption of Regular/Special Meeting Minutes of the Governing Board:

The President offered to entertain a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting on February 12, 2019. Mrs. Claridge so moved, and Mrs. Catanzaro seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 with the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item D-1: Superintendent's Current Events Summary: Mrs. Doering began her Superintendent's Report by sharing that The girls' soccer team won the district championship last weekend. Also, Mrs. Rivera and her Odyssey of the Mind team took first place at the Yuma Tournament. Students on the team were from CTMS, GSA, and RV.

Salida del Sol held its 11th annual Vocabulary Hat Parade. Cibola band played for the occasion. It was a huge success even though it "rained on their parade". (they improvised and held the parade in the cafeteria)

Rick Miller, founder of Kids at Hope, visited Salida del Sol and HLS in February. Rick toured both schools, was interviewed by KYMA and was able to talk to students. Students have been working on identifying their ACES and Time Traveling into the future and return to the present to prepare for their journey.

The 4th Annual North End Community Fair was held March 8 in Salida/RV bus loop. Over 30 community agencies had booths to provide information/resources available to our families. Clifford the dog was there, CRMS/CTMS drumline performed and PBS provided free hotdogs.

Congratulations to the Centennial 7th and 8th grade boys' basketball teams for winning the championships. The 7th graders got through the season with only one loss, and the 8th graders had an undefeated season. The runner-up for the 7th grade was Crane Middle School.

The Teacher of the Year interviews were conducted last week on Thursday, March 7th and Friday, March 8th at AWC. The Semi-Finalist interviews will take place on Friday, April 12th and the Banquet will be held on Tuesday, April 23rd at the Yuma Civic and Convention Center. We are proud of our finalist as they represent this wonderful profession.

Spring Intersession will be from March 25th – April 5th this year. All schools will be closed but the district office will remain open.

Crane School District, YPD and Fire and Rescue will come together to present information to our families about Fentanyl Crisis, similar drugs and how we can come together to keep our kids safe. We welcome members from the community. The presentation will take place Thursday, March 14th at 6:00 p.m. in the Centennial Middle School Gym.

Item E-1: Report on Governing Board Member Conference/Workshop Attendance: Mrs. Catanzaro began by reporting that she attended the Beginning and Intermediate All School Band Concert. She shared that it was very impressive given that these students have never played together and did an amazing job.

Mrs. Claridge shared that she was able to attend the district's 6th grade soccer tournament on March 1st and 2nd at Centennial Middle School. She stated that the students demonstrated good sportsmanship, played hard and had a good time. Mrs.

Claridge also attended the ASBA Equity Event. On Wednesday, February 13th she attended the Pre-Conference along with Mr. Colby. She shared that they attended a guided tour of the Heard Museum in Phoenix where they were able to see the standing Native American exhibits. The main event took place on Thursday, February 14th and Friday, February 15th she shared that they heard from Dr. Victor Rios and hear his educational experience as well as a documentary based on his life. She shared that there were many speakers who helped the attendees deepen their understanding of equity.

Mrs. Paulin shared that she recently had the opportunity to go on one of the local radio shows along with Mario Hogue, District Community Relations Coordinator to promote the June S. Pallack Excellence in Education Award. Mrs. Paulin reminded everyone that the deadline to submit nominees is April 12th applications are available on the Chamber website. Mrs. Paulin also shared that she attended a Communication Council meeting on Monday, March 11th. The group meets for an hour and 15 minutes and the first agenda item is always celebrations and questions and the about an hour is spent on the one item. It is good to hear all the things happening in our district, after the student presentations, Mrs. Doering's report and the recognitions tonight, the district has a lot to celebrate. It is also a great time to clear up misunderstandings as well and get the correct information out to our schools.

Item E-2: Board Discussion/Action on Legislative Issues: Dr. Hoffman spoke on behalf of Mr. Ponder to report the latest legislative issues to the Board members. There is one item in the Senate Bill 1101 Calculated Opportunity Index also known as COIN, it establishes a calculated opportunity index calculated on base-level funding dependent on a poverty index. It currently passed the Senate unanimously and has been transmitted to the House. If this bill becomes law it would provide most of our schools with more funding depending on average enrollment and their poverty index.

Item E-3: Schedule an Executive Session as recommended by administration: Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute 38-431.03(A)(3), the administration is recommending the Governing Board schedule an executive session for the purpose of discussion on salaries and compensation. The President offered to entertain a motion to schedule an executive session for Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Mrs. Claridge so moved, and Mrs. Catanzaro seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 with the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item F-1: Call to the Public: The following members of the community present spoke on the following order and topic.

1. Arwa Hassin – mismanagement of parent complaints and lack of communication at Crane District

Item F-2: Acknowledgment of Public Request to Speak: No one wished to speak.

Item G-1: Approval of New Positions- English Learner (EL) Assessment Coordinator, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Governing Board, and Executive Director, Human Resource and Communications: The administration is requesting the approval for three new positions. The job descriptions are attached for board review. The President offered to entertain a motion to approve the three positions as presented. Mrs. Catanzaro so moved, and Mrs. Claridge seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 with the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item G-2: Approval to Release Staff Members from Contract Without Assessing Liquidated Damages: Crane Administration is requesting that the Governing Board approve the item and release *Ms. Elsa Medford* from her 2018-2019 contract effective April 5, 2019 without assessing liquidated damages. The President offered to entertain a motion to approve the release of staff member as presented. Mrs. Claridge so moved, and Mrs. Catanzaro seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 with the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item G-3: Approval to Release Staff Members from Contract Without Assessing Liquidated Damages: Crane Administration is requesting that the Governing Board approve the item and release *Ms. Danielle Crosby* from her 2018-2019 contract effective March 30, 2019 without assessing liquidated damages. The President offered to entertain a motion to approve the release of staff member as presented. Mrs. Claridge so moved, and Mrs. Catanzaro seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 with the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item H-1: Consent Agenda: The President asked if anyone wished to pull any items on the consent agenda. Having none, Mrs. Claridge moved to adopt agenda items I-13 as presented, Mrs. Catanzaro seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 with the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item I-1: Gifts from the Public: Mrs. Paulin thanked the community for always giving to our schools, not just in items but funding projects as well. She said that our students benefit so much from these donations. Mrs. Paulin offered to entertain a motion to adopt the Gifts from the Public as presented. Mrs. Claridge so moved with the board's gratitude, and Mrs. Catanzaro seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 with the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item I-2: First Reading of Revised Policy JKD, Student Suspension: Dr. Hoffman explained that in order to appropriately place students in alternative to suspension programs, revisions must be made to reflect the requirements of the program. The president entertained a motion to take revised policy JKD, Student Suspension under consideration and schedule the second reading and adoption for the regular meeting in April. Mrs. Claridge so moved, and Mrs. Catanzaro seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0, the votes being as follows: Paulin – aye; Claridge – aye; Colby – aye; Catanzaro – aye; and Farar – absent.

Item J: Adjournment: Mrs. Paulin called for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Catanzaro so moved, Mrs. Claridge seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Sarah Claridge
Governing Board Clerk

Minnie Encinas
Governing Board Secretary

School	Donor	Item(s) Donated	Approx. Value	Purpose
Crane Middle School	Jim Colby	Kiln	\$50.00	For use by the art program
Gowan Science Academy	Whole Kids Foundation	Grant	\$2,000.00	To pay for a school wide cookbook and for gardne upkeep
Gowan Science Academy	GSA PTO	Student Thermometers	\$110.00	For use school wide
Gowan Science Academy	GSA PTO	Year Membership to BrainPop	\$1,895.00	For use school wide
Gowan Science Academy	Donorschoose	Project funded: "Individual Tech Space"	\$227.00	For use in Mrs. Cabanillas' class
Gowan Science Academy	Donorschoose	10 Belkin wired tablets	\$574.50	For use in Mrs. Lamaestra's class
Gowan Science Academy	Donorschoose	10 Belkin wired tablets	\$574.50	For use in Mrs. Hoofendoorn's class
Gowan Science Academy	Donorschoose	Project funded: "Everyone wants to play around"	\$487.16	For use in Mrs. Van Sickle's class
Gary A. Knox Elementary	Southwest Lumber	Various Plants	\$60.00	To be used in the Knox Garden
Rancho Viejo Elementary	Donorschoose	Project funded: "Plugged in to higher Learning"	\$444.94	For Mrs. Bejot's students
		Total for this month	\$6,423.10	
		FY 2018-2019 Year to Date:	\$1,118,038.20	