



MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
WILLIAMS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 GOVERNING BOARD
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2011

The vision of the Williams Unified School District is to place each child in the best position to succeed intellectually, academically, emotionally, physically, and socially.

A Special Meeting of the Williams Unified School District No. 2 Governing Board was held at 6:00 pm on the above date at the Williams High School Culinary Arts room. Board members present: Mr. Nenne, Mr. Parenteau, Ms. Fredrickson, Mrs. Francis, and Mr. Nixon. Also present: Mrs. Savage, Mr. Livingston, Mrs. Schulte, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Mann and Mr. Williams (*Williams News*) and District Architect, Mr. David Hunt.

SPECIAL MEETING

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

I. OPENING ITEMS

- Mr. Nenne called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Motion by Mr. Parenteau to adopt the Agenda as presented, second by Mrs. Francis
- Motion approved 5-0.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Discussion and consideration to:

1. adopt Resolution ordering and providing notice of a Special Election to be held on November 8, 2011 to submit to the qualified electors thereof the question of authorizing the issuance and sale of school improvement bonds and related matters.
- Motion by Mr. Parenteau to approve Resolution calling for a Special Election on November 8, 2011, second by Mrs. Francis.
 - Mr. Hunt reported on the latest developments with the Arizona School Facilities Board (SFB).
 - Mr. Hunt explained that the SFB has determined there are safety issues in the Williams District related to the roof at WEMS and the ceiling at WHS. The SFB held a meeting on Wednesday, June 29. At this meeting, the Board awarded approximately \$2,000,000 in emergency funding to WUSD to address these problems. Mr. Hunt has already started the engineering plan. He will develop two sets of documents; one for WEMS and one for WHS. However, these documents will be combined for a single bidding process. Before any bid will be presented to the Board for approval, Mr. Hunt will speak with bidders and complete a thorough review of each. The review will focus on reputation of business, quality of work, timely completion of projects, and amount of bid. The Board can award a contract based on these qualities rather than on low bid alone. The Board may need to meet in special session to review and accept a bid in a timely manner.
 - Discussion: Ms. Fredrickson posed several questions.
 - Mr. Hunt mentioned that much of the work will be done at night and on the weekends. Mr. Fredrickson expressed concern about overtime pay for the workers. Mr. Hunt responded that he has talked to Mrs. Savage about working on two rooms at a time. Yes, there will be a higher cost for the workers, but in order to address the issues in a timely manner, night and weekend work will be absolutely necessary. The additional amount for overtime wages is already included in the estimated costs.
 - The information sheet from SFB indicated that the award is contingent upon the availability of Emergency Deficiencies Correction funding. Ms. Fredrickson asked how sure can we be that WUSD will receive the award. Mr. Hunt explained that this wording is included in every award given by SFB. He has full confidence that the funds will be awarded to Williams.
 - Ms. Fredrickson asked if the funds aren't used quickly, will we lose the award. Mr. Hunt indicated that he submitted a signed statement to the SFB certifying that an emergency situation does exist and the funds will be recalled if we don't act quickly to fix the problems.
 - Mr. Nenne noted that the Board should decide if they want to use a mail-in or polling place ballot.
 - Mr. Parenteau amended his motion to include the use of polling place ballot with the amount of the bond set at \$5,000,000, second by Mrs. Francis.
 - Motion approved 5-0.

2. approve revision to 2011-12 school calendar to add additional Fridays to be used as snow days if needed
 - **Motion by Mr. Parenteau to revise the 2011-12 school calendar by adding three Fridays for possible snow day make-up days, second by Ms. Fredrickson.**
 - **Discussion: Mr. Livingston explained that the Calendar Committee reviewed the request to add several Fridays to the 11-12 calendar. The Committee agreed to the addition of three (3) days. Those days are March 9, March 30, and April 27. School will not be in session on these three days unless students need to make up days missed because of school closure. Mr. Livingston further noted that if school is closed for 1 or 2 days, students must make up the days, but if the closure lasts 3 or more days because of weather conditions (or widespread illness), the absences are forgiven. Student attendance is a determining factor in the amount of funding the District receives from the state.**
 - **Motion approved 5-0.**

III. ADJOURNMENT

- **Motion by Mr. Parenteau to adjourn the meeting, second by Mrs. Francis.**
- **Motion approved 5-0.**
- **Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.**