



BLUE RIDGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #32

GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

January 12, 2021

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Governing Board of the Blue Ridge Unified School District #32 and to the general public that the Board will hold a Regular Meeting on **Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 5:00 PM in the District Board room located at 1200 West White Mountain Boulevard, Lakeside, Arizona.** Governing Board members will attend in person or by telephone [or video or internet conference]. **Live-streamed at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkgNap0pIxaI9f0KIG6TyrA>.** The Board may go into executive sessions for purposes of obtaining legal advice from the Board's attorney on any of the following agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3). The Board's attorney may appear in person or telephonically.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the public is invited and strongly urged to attend/participate in the meeting via [technology], rather than to attend/participate in person. The District intends to comply with all state and federal guidelines aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19. Accordingly, the ability of the public to attend the meeting in person will be restricted so that no more than 10 people are gathered, inclusive of board members and staff.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows. The Board reserves the right to change the order of the items on the Agenda except for public hearings and bid awards.

1. Opening Ceremony **Pledge of Allegiance**

Recognition of BR Star Awards for January

- Food Service Department
- Transportation Department

Recognition and Acceptance of a Donation to the Blue Ridge School District

- Ken Ison, Ison Automotive Repair donated a Sunex Tools locking service cart and accessories to the High School Automotive Department, valued at \$1,279.92.

2021 Organization Items for the Governing Board

1.1 Election of Governing School Board Officers

Annually the Governing Board elects its officer for the current calendar year.

1.2 Resolution Authorizing Approval and Execution of Funding Proposals, Grants, Special Projects, Vouchers, Warrants, Salary and other Expenses to be signed between board meetings

The Superintendent seeks board authorization to allow a resolution authorizing vouchers, salary and other district expenses to be signed in advance of scheduled board meetings.

1.3 Identify and Record Conflicts of Interest for Governing Board Members, School Administration and Staff Districtwide

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-503, Arizona State Statute, requiring all Governing Board and each group listed Above must fully disclose actual and potential conflicts of interest.

1.4 Directive of Annual Investment/Reinvestment of All Monies within School District Service Fund

The Superintendent requests the Governing Board to direct the Navajo County Treasurer to invest/reinvest all monies belonging or credit to the school debit service fund. And, the Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve all monies belonging to the school and/or credits received by the District to be invested/reinvested.

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1.5 Governing Board Delegation of Purchasing Authority

As required by Arizona Administrative Code R7-2-1006, the Governing Board Approves annually the delegation of purchasing and procurement to certain Designated School Executives. It is recommended that the Board delegate Such authority to the Superintendent and Director of Finance to conduct District business.

1.6 Establish Meeting Dates, Time and Location for Regular Monthly Governing Board Meetings Through December 2021

- February 9, 2021
- March 16, 2021 (Spring Break 8-12)
- April 13, 2021
- May 11, 2021
- June 8, 2021
- July 13, 2021
- August 10, 2021
- September 14, 2021
- October 12, 2021
- November 9, 2021
- December 14, 2021

2. Consent Agenda

2. 1. Minutes

Minutes of Regular Governing Board meeting held on December 08, 2020, Regular Governing Board meeting held for the Board approval or correction.

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2. 2. **Vouchers and Reports**

Before approval at each Governing Board meeting, Governing Board members may review vouchers. Vouchers represent orders for payment of material, equipment, salaries, and services.

Approve Payroll Vouchers:

14	173,550.56
15	506,842.59
16	1,029.08
17	497,412.44

Total \$ 1,178,834.67

Approve Expense Vouchers:

2033	177,291.21
2034	51,684.14
2035	1,585.37
2036	80,199.34
2037	62,590.68
2038	23,661.08
2039	146,537.24

Total \$ 543,549.06

Approve Student Activity & Auxiliary Operation Vouchers:

5031	649.99
5032	2,721.61
5033	1,437.38
5034	4,255.66

Total \$ 9,064.64

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2.3. **Personnel**

2.4. **Recommendation to Review and Approve Employee Retirement**

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the retirement of Dr. Gail Irestone, Principal, Blue Ridge Elementary School, effective June 30, 2021. Brad Pico also wishes to retire at the end of the current school year and return to work next school year through ESI.

2.5 **Recommendation to Review and Approve the Hire of New Employees for the 2020-2021 School Year**

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the hire of the following new employees:

- Mark Vest, CTE Coordinator/Teacher (new position)
- Kyle Willis, Teacher (new position)
- Amy Hathcock, Counselor (new position)
- Jerry Brassfield, Bus Driver (replacement)

2.6. **Recommendation to Review and Approve Employee Resignations**

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the following resignations:

- Rustin Reed, Teacher effective January 15, 2021 (personal reasons)
- Jessica Breinig, Teacher effective May 14, 2021, (personal reasons).

2.7. **Recommendation to Review and Approve 2020-2021 Extra Duty, T3 (Teacher Technology Team) Addendums and Support Staff Hourly Wage Increase**

The Superintendent recommends the board approve additional compensation provided to Teachers with course loads exceeding full-time schedules, T3 technology assistance to teachers and support staff hourly wage increase. A list of participants and the associated amounts were provided to the Board in a separate handout.

2.8. **Recommendation to Review and Approve the District Teacher and Principal Evaluations**

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the District Teacher and Principal Evaluations. This is an annual requirement. No significant changes have been made to the process or documents.

2.9. **Recommendation to Review and Approve the First and Final Revision of Indian Procedures and Policies 2021**

Superintendent recommends the Board review and approve the Indian Procedures and Policies. This is an annual requirement for all Schools receiving federal Impact Aid. A copy of the procedures and policies has been provided to the Board in a separate handout. Mr. Brad Pico available for questions.

2.10. **Recommendation to Review and Approve the Early Graduation of a Blue Ridge High School Student**

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the early graduation of a Blue Ridge High School student. The student information has been provided to the Board in a separate handout.

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2.11. **Recommendation to Review and Approve December 2020 Financial Reports**

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board review and approve December tax credit, auxiliary operations and student activities financial reports.

3. **Business**

3.1. **Discussion and Possible Approval of Continuation of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) for our Employees, Related to COVID-19**

Superintendent recommends the Governing Board discuss and possibly approve the continuation of the FFCRA.

3.2. **Recommendation to Allow Employees to Determine Whether or Not They Receive the COVID Vaccine**

Superintendent recommends the Governing Board allow all employees to determine whether or not they receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

3.3. **Recommendation to Review and Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Arizona State University (ASU)**

Superintendent recommends the Governing Board review and approve an MOU, allowing Blue Ridge to enroll students into the ASU Universal Learner Courses for high school students. The associated costs of the courses is the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

3.4. **Superintendent's Report**

- COVID update and local conditions of the virus
- Evaluation of possible return to face-to-face instruction on January 20, 2021
- General District update

3.5. **Announcements**

- The Board will be provided calendar items with respect to future meeting dates and other information concerning the Governing Board. **Regular Governing Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 5:00 pm.**

4. **Adjournment**

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The Board members have been provided with background material in advance of the Board meeting. A copy of this material (except for materials relating to possible Executive Sessions) is available for public review at the District Office at least 24 hours in advance of the Board meeting.


Dated January 11, 2021

Respectfully submitted by,

Dr. Michael L. Wright,

Superintendent of Schools

EXECUTIVE SESSION/ADMONITION: All persons present during an executive session are hereby reminded that it is unlawful to disclose or otherwise divulge to any person who is not present, other than a current member of the Board, or pursuant to a specific statutory exception, anything that has transpired or has been discussed during the executive session or the Minutes of the executive session. Failure to comply is a violation of A.R.S. 38-431.03 and may result in fines and other penalties in

accordance with A.R.S. 38-431.07.  **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT:** Blue Ridge Unified School District intends to comply with the A.D.A. If you are disabled or physically challenged and need a reasonable accommodation to participate, please contact the Superintendent's office two business days in advance of the meeting or as otherwise as soon as practicable prior to the meeting date at 928-368-6126 ext. 1101.