



BLUE RIDGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #32 GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA February 9, 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, February 9, 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

- Feliz Abasta-Douglas, SPED Aide, Junior High School
- Robert Koener, Maintenance Department

2. Consent Agenda

2. 1. Minutes

Minutes of Regular Governing Board meeting held on January 12, 2021, Regular Governing Board meeting held for the Board approval or correction.

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:

18	587,372.13
19	531,111.66

Total \$ 1,118,483.79

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Approve Expense Vouchers:

2040	28,966.15
2041	234,162.20
2042	210.42
2043	84,814.11
2044	412,590.25
2045	154,087.26
2046	21,297.89
2047	55,987.15

Total \$ 992,115.43

Approve Student Activity & Auxiliary Operation Vouchers:

5035	248.69
5036	733.09
5037	2,792.77
5038	108.47
5039	1,211.05
5040	3,226.43
5041	137.74
5042	416.07
5043	922.92
5044	2,942.95
5045	310.00
5046	146.23

Total \$ 13,196.41

2.3. Personnel

2.4. 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:

- Alyssa Talbert, Science Teacher, High School (replacement position)
- Lyndsie Atran, English Teacher, Junior High School (replacement position)

2.5. Recommendation to Review and Approve Employee Resignations

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the following resignations:

- Rocky Steinmetz, Computer Tech effective January 29, 2021 (personal reasons)
- Anna Lauderbach, SPED Aide II effective February 11, 2021 (personal reasons)
- Robin Gillespie, SPED Aide II, effective February 18, 2021 (moving)
- Sarah Bromke, Teacher, effective May 14, 2021 (personal reasons)

2.6. Recommendation to Review and Approve Employee Retirement

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the following retirement with intent to return through Educational Services Inc., (ESI) for the SY 2022-2023:

- Theresa Dick, Teacher, High School, June 1, 2022

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2.7. Recommendation to Review and Approve 2020-2021 Dual Enrollment and Extra Duty Addendums

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve additional compensation provided to teachers with course loads exceeding full-time schedules. A list of participants and the associated amounts were provided to the Board in a separate handout.

2.8. Recommendation to Review and Approve a Date Correction on the Contract for Jeremy C. Hathcock

The Superintendent recommends the Governing Board review and approve the beginning date on the contract for Jeremy C. Hathcock, April 5, 2021 versus May 15, 2021.

2.9. Recommendation to Review and Approve January 2021 Financial Reports

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

3. Business

3.1. Recommendation to Review and Approve Continuation of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) for our Employees, Related to COVID-19 Which Provided up to Weeks of Additional Leave

Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the continuation of the FFCRA through March 31, 2021, following the practice outlined to the Board.

3.2. Recommendation to Review and Approve a Renewal Lease Agreement for ‘The Church’

Superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the renewal of a lease agreement with the organization ‘The Church’. The lease may be renewed at 11 months each year for a period acceptable to both parties. This organization’s intention is to lease this property for the next several years.

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

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.

3.4. Superintendent’s Report

- COVID update for Navajo County and immediate community
- Students In-Person return, February 22, 2021, Pre K-12
- High School sports, AIA adjustment allowing parents only to attend away and home games
- Conflict with AIA State Tournament on May 14th, moving graduation to May 21, 2021
- Presidents Day-School closed February 12th and 15th. Spring break, week of March 8th, 2021

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, March 16, 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 February 8, 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