

Owens Whitney Elementary District No. 6
Minutes of School Board of Trustees Special Meeting
May 25, 2017

1. Routine Opening of Meeting

- 1.1 Carol Moreno called the Board to order at 6:58 a.m.
- 1.2 Roll Call was taken: Frank Dazzo-Vice Chair, Carol Moreno-Board Member, Mikaela Gist-Administrator, and Lee Gurney-Secretary
- 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance led by Frank Dazzo
- 1.4 Moment of Silence – dispensed with
- 1.5 Call to the Public – no one present

2. Information and Discussion Items

- 2.1 Frank Dazzo reported that since the school was a government agency, we did not qualify for the Mohave Electric grant money. But they did issue the school a check in the amount of \$495 for the sound system we had applied for. Also, Tyler Carlson from Mohave Electric will work with us on getting funds for the basketball court.

3. Action Items

- 3.1 & 2 - Susan Burdsal is not returning for the 2017-2018 school year. Mikaela Gist reported that she spoke with Phyllis Eaton, Financial Manager, and that she informed her that they could offer the new teacher up to \$45,000 (depending on experience), plus benefits and should probably offer a teacherage for free-board members present agreed, since it is so late in the hiring season. This was basically what was agreed upon in the last board meetings for Susan Burdsal (other than the teacherage), so no vote this meeting.
 - Discussion about hiring a teacher's aide for the new 5th-8th grade teacher – consensus was to wait until a teacher is hired so they can be involved in the hiring process, as they need to be able to work with the person hired. No one thought it would be too difficult to find a qualified aide.
 - Discussion as to where to look for a teacher. Carol Moreno said they had gone to job fairs in the past, but too late for that and need to reach out to other rural communities. Mikaela will work on posting the job today. She said a lot of Arizona districts are hiring long-term substitutes because of the shortage of teachers in Arizona.

4. Adjournment at 7:10 a.m. – Frank Dazzo