

**SUPERIOR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #15**  
1500 W. Panther Drive, Superior, AZ 85173

**MINUTES OF REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, October 12, 2021  
**Time:** 6:00 P.M.  
**Location:** 1500 W. Panther Drive, Suite 101, Superior, AZ 85173, District Office

**Call to Order**

a. In Attendance:

Board Members:	Jon Nathan Duarte	Present
	Henry Gutierrez	Present
	Ignacio Magallanez	Present
	Ricardo Provencio	Present
Administration:	Stephen Estatico	Present
	Pamela Duarte	Present
	Bertha Montaña	Present

b. Pledge of Allegiance

c. Approval of Agenda

Board Member Provencio motioned to accept the agenda as presented. Board Member Gutierrez seconded. All in favor 4 – 0, motion passed.

**Consent Agenda**

- 1 Approved prior Governing Board Minutes – September 1, 2021.
- 2 Ratified Expense Vouchers #2215 - #2225 = \$327,547.92  
and Payroll Vouchers #5 - #7 = \$265,678.40
- 3 Approved Auxiliary and Student Activity accounts for August 2021.
- 4 Approved Disposals and Donations for September 2021.  
Board Member Gutierrez motioned to accept the consent agenda as presented. Board Member Provencio seconded. All in favor 4 – 0, motion passed.
- 5 Report: Superintendent Stephen Estatico  
Superintendent Estatico updated the Board on the students who tested positive for Covid-19. Eight high school students, two junior high students and two elementary students. The cases were self-reported, the district then contacted Pinal County Health Department and followed their guidance. Junior high and high school sports were cancelled for the week. Board Member Gutierrez recommended teachers re-educate students. Superintendent Estatico advised that is part of the strategy. He also stated 94% of staff are vaccinated. The new math teacher, who is from the Philippines, is on board and getting acclimated.

6 **Executive Session - Personnel**

- a. *Junior High Athletic Director – William Duarte*
- b. *High School Volleyball Volunteer – Marlee Estatico*
- c. *New Hire – Dennis Cabias*

No motion was made to enter into executive session.

7 **Personnel**

Board Member Magallanez motioned to personnel action as presented in Agenda Item 6, a-c. Board Member Gutierrez seconded. All in favor 4 – 0, motion passed.

8 **Arizona School Board Association Bylaw Change Proposal**

Board Member Provencio motioned to approve voting aye on one bylaw change proposal from the Arizona School Board Association. The Board directed Bertha Montañño to vote in the manner aye on the bylaw. Board Member Magallanez seconded. All in favor 4 – 0, motion passed.

9 **Annual Financial Report 2020-2021**

Business Manager Duarte stated the district has spent less out of Maintenance and Operations in 2021 than in 2020 by the amount of \$107,132. In Capital Outlay the district spent \$17,578 less in 2021 as compared to 2020. For federal projects the district paid \$195,682 more mostly due to covid relief funding. Board Member Magallanez motioned to approve the Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 as presented. Board Member Provencio seconded. All in favor 4 – 0, motion passed.

10 **FIRST READING - ASBA Policy Advisories No. 712 – No. 715**

This was a first reading of the Arizona School Board Association Policy Advisories No. 712 – No. 715. No motion was made.

11 **Mask Mandate**

Superintendent Estatico stated the mask mandate was removed by the state legislature, ultimately the decision lies with the board. The district continues to encourage mask wearing. Pinal County currently has superior at 8%, should it go up significantly higher, the board will convene and decide the direction to take.

12 **NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE:**


November 3, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M. Regular Meeting

13 **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Member Gutierrez motioned to adjourn. Board Member Magallanez seconded. All in favor 4 – 0, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:40P.M.

**Certification of Minutes:**

I, by signing below, certify that these are the Official Minutes of the Superior USD #15 Governing Board Meeting held October 12, 2021 as approved at a legally noticed Superior USD #15 Governing Board Meeting held on November 3, 2021.

  
Jon Nathan Duarte, President

  
Stephen Estatico, Superintendent