APACHE JUNCTION UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43
Governing Board
Minutes of Special Meeting held July 18, 2017

Work Session/Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Apache Junction Unified School District #43 was called to order at 5:46 p.m. at the Apache Junction Unified School District Board Room, 1575 W. Southern Avenue, Apache Junction, AZ. President Ehrlich led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members in attendance were Jodi Ehrlich, Dena Kimble, Cami Garcia, Christa Rizzi, and Michael Weaver.

A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble to amend the agenda for the removal of Item 5-1. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.

Public Comment: None.

Possible Executive Session:
1) A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to enter into executive session at 5:50 pm to discuss the requested release from contract of Lisa Ardt. Motion carried, 5-0.

Regular meeting reconvened at 5:55 p.m.

Action on Recommendations:
1) A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Rizzi to hire Karl Waggoner for the Four Peaks Principal position. Motion carried, 5-0.

2) A motion was made by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mrs. Kimble to release Lisa Ardt from her contract with liquidated damages in the amount of $1,500.00. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-1. Ms. Rizzi voted Nay.

Discussion: Our options in this scenario are: we can hold Ms. Art to her contract, we can hold her until we find a replacement teacher, and we can release her from the contract or release her with liquidated damages of up to $2,500. All teachers are aware that this option in their contract of amounts up to $2,500.

- Consent Agenda: (documents are available during office hours)
A motion was made by Mrs. Kimble and seconded by Mrs. Rizzi, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.
  - Personnel Action -- attached
  - Approval of 2017-2018 evaluator, Heather Wallace, Director of Educational Services.

Specific items of District business:
1) A motion was made by Mrs. Rizzi and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to approve the Food Program Permanent Service Agreement with the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) Contract No. ED09-0001. Motion carried, 5-0.

2) Governing Board President, Jodi Ehrlich made a statement regarding former Superintendent Chad Wilson’s severance agreement that says:
"As you may be aware, former Superintendent Chad Wilson resigned from the District in December 2016 and accepted the position of Assistant Superintendent with the East Valley
Institute of Technology (EVIT). Because Dr. Wilson's contract did not expire until June of 2018, the parties had entered into a severance agreement in December 2016 to end the employment relationship prior to the end date of the contract. More recently, the parties determined that it was appropriate to revise the agreement. Pursuant to the terms of the new agreement, Dr. Wilson has agreed to forgo monetary payments that would otherwise have been paid to him with the exception of his sick/personal time earned during his 17 years in the District. The Board approved the revised agreement on June 26, 2017 and the District received the signed Agreement from Dr. Wilson yesterday. The Board wishes Dr. Wilson well in his new position with EVIT.

At 6:05 p.m., Mrs. Kimble moved to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Rizzi seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by:
Edna Goff, Board Secretary
August 8, 2017

APPROVED BY THE BOARD:

[Signatures]
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Vice-President
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