

A Summary Report of the October 9, 2018 CFSD Governing Board Meeting



CFSD Star Award

The governing board honored the Star Award recipients. Board Member Doug Hadley presented students with individual certificates and star pins in recognition of their outstanding performance as 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalists – Miriam Arden, Zoe Benson, Katherine Carr, Will Glasesser, John Konrad, and Zachary Schlamowitz.



Outstanding Achievements!

Superintendent Mary Kamerzell shared the following board and student achievements.

CFSD Governing Board

CFSD Board President Amy Bhola and Vice President Amy Krauss have earned the Arizona School Boards Association's (ASBA) *Associate of Boardsmanship Award*. The Award is for 60 hours of ASBA-approved professional development.

2019 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

Six CFHS seniors have been named National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists: Miriam Arden, Zoe Benson, Katherine Carr, Will Glaesser, John Konrad, and Zachary Schlamowitz. Approximately 1.5 million high school students take the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) each year. These students are among 16,000 semifinalists

(1.1%) named across the country, ninety percent (90%) of whom are expected to attain finalist standing.

2019 National Merit Scholarship Program (NMSP) Commended Students

Our NMSP high school commended students are Xoaquin Baca, Aidan Barg, Ari Dettman, Haley Dveirin, Andrew Leapsin, Elizabeth Monthofer, Sage Pezzulo, Shivansh Srivastava, Kevin Strout, Gabriel Stultz, Ryan Thompson, and Jackson Tint. Of the 1.5 million high school students taking the PSAT, 50,000 (3.3%) are Commended Scholars.

National Hispanic Scholars

Our National Hispanic Scholars are Xoaquin Baca, Viaggio Chavez, Paris Lopez, Danillo Malo-Molina, Noah Rojas, and Julian Valenzuela. The National Hispanic Recognition Program (NHRP) recognizes approximately 5,000 Hispanic/Latino students each year from among the 400,000 who take the PSAT. The NHRP is administered by the College Board and Scholarship America (not by the NMSP). The NHRP recognition requires a minimum 3.5 GPA as well as qualifying PSAT results.

Tucson's Birthday Stamp

CFHS 9th grader, Serena Hsu, was the grand prize winner of the 11th Annual Tucson Birthday Stamp Design Contest. Her stamp features a front door with cacti and chilies drawn with colored pencils. Serena said that her design inspiration came from Tucson's original neighborhood Barrio Viejo. The contest is an event held every year by the Postal History Museum to celebrate Tucson's birthday. This year, Tucson is celebrating 243 years.

Book Authors

CFHS senior, Shivansh Srivastava, and freshman, Shreya Srivastava, have authored and illustrated the book, *India: Faith, Facts, and Festivals*. The book has a structure whereby the reader can follow various Indian festivals through the year and other facts.

Girls Cross Country Team

CFHS Girls Cross Country Team took 1st place in the Eye of the Tiger Invitational Tournament. Team members are Lillian Bhola, Bryan Callie, Kristin Finn, Audrey Ganem, Emily Gruber, Julia Hejl, Tenley

Hughes, Emily Kamp, Hallie Kolter, Ximena Leon, Zoe McLaughlin, Elizabeth Monthofer, Mia Nielsen, Mariah Rayon, Alyssa Roudebush, Aliana Sanchez, Kaylyn Siegfried, Stella Swindells, Ruby Wank and Carolyn Zhao.

All State Show Choir

CFHS students, Liam Boyd and Ryan Pittner, qualified for the Arizona All State Show Choir. They were among 400 students who auditioned for only 40 spots.

Ben's Bell

Freshman Ryan Sadowsky was awarded a Ben's Bell for his work to create FreshSole. It is a non-profit project that collects and donates new to slightly used sneakers to families in need.

Chinese Language and Culture Day

The following Sunrise Drive students participated in the academic competition sponsored by the University of Arizona Confucius Institute Chinese Language and Culture Day. First Place - "Gu Dong is Coming," Miles Anderson, Sophie Collins, Sara Glaesser, Jules Manger, Stella Schenten; Second Place - "Little Tadpole Looking for Mom," Ezra Jacob, Alexander Lu, Milena Rubin, Josephine Tor, Xavier Wu; Third Place - "From Now On," Levi Anderson, Riley McGuire, Jaylin Peterson, Alexa Sommers, Isabella Uzomba; Third Place - "A Story of a Fan Ti," Anne Laird, Chloe Lamb, Nicholas Li, Alyssa Marshall, Edward Tsai.

Approval of Revisions to Policy FEA Educational Specifications for Construction (second reading)

Superintendent Mary Kamerzell presented the second reading of the proposed changes to the policy. Language that was added to statute A.R.S. 15-341 will allow governing boards to delegate authority to the superintendent to submit plans for new school facilities to the School Facilities Board. There have been no revisions made to the policy since the first reading on September 25. The board approved the policy, as presented.

Approval of Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Financial Report

Director of Finance Lisa Taetle presented a summary of the annual school district financial report, including the following areas:

- Maintenance and Operations
- Classroom Site Fund
- Unrestricted Capital Outlay
- Bond Building Fund
- Federal and State Projects
- Other Funds

The board approved the 2018 Annual Financial Report, as presented.

Consideration of Revisions to Policy IHB, Regulation IHB-R and Exhibit IHB-E Special Instructional Programs (first reading)

Dr. Kamerzell and Dr. Erin Matyjasik, Director of Special Services, reviewed the necessary changes based on recent information received from the Arizona Department of Education. The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) is requiring districts to file a Certification Form by November 1st that verifies that the governing board has approved policies and procedures in accordance with statutory changes. She reported that the language is more detailed and includes updated statutory references but does not alter the intent of the original language in the policy or the regulation. She also reported that Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) has recommended for the exhibit a Uniform Resource Locator (URL) link on the ASBA policy site to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Procedural Safeguards Notice for the State of Arizona information. The board will review the policy for the second reading at its next meeting on October 23.

Annual Bond and Capital Override Report

Dr. Kamerzell presented the annual bond and capital override report that included an update on the progress of capital improvements financed through bonds and capital override funds. She reported that the district sold the first bond issuance in April 2016 for \$7,500,000. There was a second issuance in May 2018 for \$9,185,000. These issuances were part of the CFSD voters' approval of \$22 million. Her report also included information on the 2015 bond projects completed to date and in progress.

Associate Superintendent Mary Jo Conery also presented information about the 2015 capital override expenditures approved by voters in the amount of \$2 million annually to support technology, library, music and art equipment, and curriculum resources for CFSD classrooms.

Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) Pima County Meeting Report

President Amy Bhola, Vice President Amy Krauss, and Board Member Doug Hadley reviewed information from the recent ASBA Pima County meeting. The meeting was held at Amphitheater Unified School District. At the meeting, Ms. Bhola and Ms. Krauss were awarded the Arizona School Boards Association's (ASBA) *Associate of Boardmanship Award*.

2018 Arizona Legislative / Governmental Activity

There was no discussion.

Consent Agenda Items

The governing board approved the following consent agenda items.

- September 25, 2018, regular governing board meeting minutes
- Expense voucher memorandum
- Field trip request memorandum
- Fundraising request memorandum
- Personnel memorandum
- Gift and Donations memorandum
- 2nd quarter tax credit eligible fees memorandum

Upcoming Board Meeting

The next regularly scheduled governing board meeting is **Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 6:30 p.m., at the Professional Learning Center at Valley View Early Learning Center.**

- Super Volunteer Recognition
- 2018-2019 Comparative Enrollment Report
- Approval of Revisions to Policy IHB, Regulation IHB-R, and Exhibit IHB-E *Special Instructional Programs* (second reading)
- Consideration of Revisions to Policy JL, Regulations JL-RA and JL-RB *Student Wellness* (first reading)
- Consideration of Revisions to Policy JEB *Entrance Age Requirements* (first reading)
- Consideration of Revisions to Policy IKE and Regulation IKE-RB *Promotion and Retention of Students* (first reading)



Please welcome new CFSD staff members:

Vivian Hedrington, EA Inclusion, CFHS