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## NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

BOUSE SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 3:30 pm

Bouse Elementary School

Please see [www.bouseschool.org](http://www.bouseschool.org) for more info

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Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-432.01, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the members of the GOVERNING BOARD and the general public that the GOVERNING BOARD OF THE BOUSE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 26 will hold a meeting open to the public. The Governing Board reserves the right to move into executive session for legal advice with its attorney, in person or by telephone, for any item listed on the agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02(A) (3). Additional documentation relating to the public meeting agenda may be obtained at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by contacting the business office at (928)851-2213.

## **\*\*Minutes\*\***

- 1. Call the meeting to order :** Pam Finkbeiner called this meeting to order at 3:33PM.  
**Roll call:** Pam Finkbeiner, President  
Ann Le Master-Wilson, Clerk  
Jody Wilson, Member  
Bouse Elementary Staff present: Brandy Peck, Cassandra Calderon and Janell Carbary.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** No one present from the public.
- 3. Approve the agenda:**  
Jody Wilson made a motion to approve the Board Agenda as presented. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.
- 4. Call to the public- *This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.***  
No one present from the public.

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**5. Executive Session:**

Jody Wilson made a motion to go into executive session for no more than 30 minutes to interview for open staffing positions. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

**Executive session start time: 3:35 PM**

Pam Finkbeiner stepped out at 3:50 PM stating they would need another 30 minutes.

Pam Finkbeiner stepped out at 4:15 PM stating they would need another 30 minutes

**Executive session End time:4:42 PM**

**6. Superintendent's Report-**

**Testing**

1. Students have finished day 3 of the AASA (state testing). This testing will wrap up next Tuesday.
2. Galileo-We have taken our 4th and final Galileo for this school year. We finished strong with 56% proficient in both ELA and Math. This is up from 38% in ELA (increase of 18%) and 36% in Math (increase of 20%).

**Attendance**

95% average daily attendance

**School Improvement**

You have all received a copy of our site visit report. As you might have noticed, it was mostly positive with a few areas to improve upon.

**Upcoming Events**

AASA-begins April 3rd

Meet and Greet With SROs-Thursday April 6 th at 6pm.

**7. Approve regular board minutes for March 8, 2023.**

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve the regular board minutes from March 8, 2023.

Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

**8. Discussion/Action to approve Financial Report.**

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve Financial Report to include Fund Balance Report for March FY 22/23, expense voucher 2318 in the amount of \$229,430.97, expense voucher 2319 in the amount of \$33,762.35, payroll voucher 18 in the amount of \$ 26,969.52 and Student Activities Fund Report for March of \$4,606.26 . Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

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**9. Discussion/Action on approving School Calendar for FY 2023-2024.**

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve the school calendar for FY 23/24. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

**10. Discussion/Action to approve Classified Staff pay increase of \$0.36 per hour for FY 23/24.**

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve FY23/24 Classified staff pay increase of \$.36 per hour. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

**11. Discussion/Action of offering an Administrative Contract, Teacher Contracts, At Will Agreements, addendums and stipends to returning staff.**

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve offering an Administrative Contract, Teacher Contracts, At Will Agreements, addendums and stipends to returning staff.

**12. Discussion/Action of paying employee's insurance increase.**

*The Medical Insurance premium cost went up \$55.00 a month. The Dental and Vision premium is staying the same.*

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve paying employee's insurance increase. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

**13. Discussion/Action to adjust office closing hours for June and July.**

Jody Wilson made a motion to adjust school office closing time from 5PM to 4PM during June & July. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

**14. Discussion/Action to approve Student Council to use up to \$400.00 for graduation including decorations and refreshments.**

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve Student Council to use up to \$400.00 for graduation including decoration and refreshments. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

**15. Discussion/Action to approve Spirit Week proposed by Student Council.**

*Student Council would like to celebrate the end of state testing with a fun spirit week. Their proposed activities are as follows:*

*Monday- Anything but a backpack day.*

*Tuesday- Crazy hair day*

*Wednesday- Twin Day*

*Thursday-Pajama Day (movie afternoon- individual classrooms)*

Jody Wilson made a motion to approve Spirit Week proposed by Student Council. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

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**16. Next regular board meeting is on May 3, 2023.**

Pam Finkbeiner has asked for a special board meeting on 04/19/23.

**17. Adjourn regular board meeting:**

Jody Wilson has made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Ann LeMaster- Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned by Pam Finkbeiner at: 4:55PM

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**Pamela Finkbeiner, President**

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**Ann LeMaster-Wilson, Clerk**

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**Jody Wilson, Member**

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