

Board restores, adds positions, including additional security, district receptionist

More than \$1 million in restored positions, new positions, and programs were approved unanimously by the Chino Valley Unified School District Board of Education at its July 16 meeting.

Positions restored beginning in the 2015-2016 school year are a receptionist at the district office; a maintenance, operations and construction supervisor; and a personnel clerk III and fringe benefits technician, both in lieu of hiring administrative secretaries.

The district has been without a receptionist for several years, and has relied on a recorded message to direct callers to departments and staff members within the district.

School officials said a fringe benefits technician is sorely needed in a district with more than 2,300 employees. During a budget study session held on July 9, Sandra Chen, assistant superintendent of business services, said an additional fringe benefits technician could also help with the benefit questions of employees who have retired, left the district, or for the families of deceased employees. She also said hundreds of new employees have been hired in the last year. The district currently has three fringe benefits technicians.

For 2015-2016, the board also voted to increase the number of security persons by four so there will be one additional security person at Ayala, Chino, Chino Hills, and Don Lugo high schools.

The board approved increasing the number of computer network technicians by two and adding a computer network support technician for this school year. At the July 9 budget study session, Deputy Superintendent Norm Enfield said additional computer support is needed because students are now taking state required tests solely by computer, and wireless service points in the district will dramatically increase this summer. He also said the district maintains 1,700 email accounts, and that will increase by approximately 34,000 when students are provided district email accounts in the future.

Other positions added for the 2015-2016 school year include a bilingual typist clerk I for Student Support Services, a secretary for the director of elementary curriculum, and a secretary for the director of professional development.

In 2016-2017, the district plans to increase the work year by 10 days, from 215 to 225, for each head secretary at the district's four comprehensive high schools to coincide with the schedules of the principals. Those secretaries are key in assisting parents, Assistant Superintendent Pat Miller said at the July 9 budget study session.

In that same year, the district plans to increase the work year for a supplemental instructional support technician by 11 work days, from 215 to 226.

The annual cost to the district's General Fund for the restorations and changes will be \$1,056,679.