



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: February 7, 2012

TITLE: Update on the Superintendent Search Process

BACKGROUND: In January, the Governing Board appointed the Arizona School Boards Association as a consultant to coordinate and facilitate the search for the District's next Superintendent, following Dr. Balentine's announcement that she will be retiring at the conclusion of her current contract. At the same time, the Board approved a timeline and parameters for the selection process.

The search process includes opportunities for input from the community, district staff, and students. For example, several forums have already been held to obtain input from multiple segments of the District community. These forums, for parents, students, District staff, school principals, PTOs/Site Councils, the Amphitheater Education Association, and the general community, provided the Governing Board and its search consultant, with detailed, helpful recommendations regarding the qualities and characteristics sought in a new superintendent. In addition, an internet based survey was administered as an additional mechanism for similar input.

At the Board's meeting of February 1, 2012, the Governing Board and its consultant utilized input from the forums to develop a "profile" for the new superintendent – qualifications, characteristics, skills and abilities sought in applicants. This profile and other information about the District and community were to be used by the consultant to formulate the electronic brochure that will advertise the position and solicit applicants. The Board delegated to Board Member Jeff Grant the authority to finalize the brochure. It is expected that the finalized brochure will be made available prior to the February 7 meeting of the Board.

This item will permit review of the status of the search process, including the finalized brochure and an updated timeline following the Board's February 1 direction.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is presented for the Board's consideration and information.

INITIATED BY:

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Date: February 2, 2012

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