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Minutes of Governing Board Study Session/Book Study

Tuesday, February 4, 2025 @ 5:00 pm  
Prescott Unified School District Governing Board

A Study Session/Book Study of the Governing Board of Prescott Unified School District was held Tuesday, February 4, 2025, beginning at 5:00 pm in the Boardroom of the PUSD District Office.

All supporting documents/attachments can be found by visiting our website:

<https://www.prescottschools.com/>

This session was livestreamed and the video recording can be viewed by visiting the following link:

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Board Members present:

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski  
Andy Fraher, Member  
Jennifer Bergamini, Member  
Brett Mangum, Member

Others present:

Clark Tenney, Superintendent  
Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer  
Andy Binder, Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources  
Kelsey Secor, Assistant Superintendent/Instruction  
Sarah Torres, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent and Governing Board  
Vanessa Ibarra, Governing Board Student Representative  
Karlee Molster, Governing Board Student Representative

Board Member Absent:

Vice President, Jane Robertson

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski called this Study Session/Book Study to order at 5:00 pm.

## 2. **STUDY SESSION:**

2.A. **Review/Discuss Chapters 1 & 2 of "How Not To Be a Terrible School Board Member" by Richard E. Mayer.**

**Presenter:** Clark Tenney, Superintendent

Superintendent Tenney noted, at the board's request we're restarting our book study that we had been doing in the past and I want to point out a couple of things. We can spend 10 to 15 minutes to talk about whatever insights you had as you studied. The title of the book seems a little edgy and it is certainly not intended to be. From my point of view, I think probably as a you know this is a marketing tool. They tried to come up with something that was a little bit funny. I mentioned this to the board when we first started talking about it; I did a Google search to see if this is this the only kind of approach that this has taken. I found how to be the absolute worst back packer at the campsite it's intended to get people's attention toward how to be a good backpacker at the campsite; that's the idea. How to be a horrible teacher tips and tricks to do your worst. There is another suggestion of six easy steps to becoming the worst parent ever and not to be outdone by the others, seven classic mistakes of new superintendents.

We are going to take the opposite approach to highlight what are real positive things to do. That is the purpose and hopefully it'll help us all get even better working as a team to govern our school district effectively.

Each chapter is broken into scenarios.

Governing Board Member and Superintendent Tenney discussed the different scenarios in Chapters 1 & 2.

This discussion can be viewed in its entirety at the beginning of the live stream link.

3. **ADJOURNMENT – Hearing no objections, Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski adjourned this Study Session/Book Study at 5:15 pm.**

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Sarah A. Torres, Governing Board Secretary