



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

DATE OF MEETING: **January 14, 2025**

TITLE: **Administration of Oath of Office to Elected Governing Board Members**

BACKGROUND:

A.R.S. §38-231 requires school district governing board members and employees to take a loyalty oath of office. School district governing board members must take the oath at or before commencement of their term of office. The oath reads as follows:

“I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and laws of the State of Arizona; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, and defend them against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office of the Governing Board for Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10, according to the best of my abilities, so help me God (or so I do affirm).”

A.R.S. §15-426 further requires school district governing board members to execute the oath in writing before a Notary Public and forward it to the Pima County School Superintendent.

In accordance with these laws, re-elected Board members Ms. Vicki Cox Golder and Ms. Deanna Day and newly elected Ms. Patricia Harris subscribed their oath of office before a notary public in December 2024 before their term of office began on January 1, 2025. Their signed and notarized oaths have been forwarded to the Pima County School Superintendent.

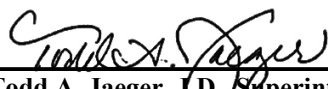
Because their oaths were administered separately outside of a public meeting, the re-elected and newly elected Board members also have the option to take the oath again publically during the January 14, 2025 Governing Board meeting. This agenda item is provided to permit the three elected Board members to take the oath of office during the Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

Ms. Cox Golder, Ms. Day, and Ms. Harris should state the loyalty oath of office required by A.R.S. §38-231, which may be administered by the person of their choosing.

INITIATED BY:

Date: December 23, 2024



Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent