



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

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**DATE OF MEETING:**      **October 4, 2016**

**TITLE:**            **Approval of New School Name**

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**BACKGROUND:**

This item is presented to the Governing Board in preparation for the naming of the new Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) elementary school.

Governing Board Policy FF (Naming Facilities) sets forth that:

“Due to the fact that there are many worthy individuals and requests from various sources requesting that various schools be named after said individuals and the District's inability to honor all of these requests, it is the desire of the Governing Board that naming of schools after individuals be discouraged. Responsibility for making nominations of names for schools to the Governing Board will reside in a joint committee of the Governing Board, the professional staff, the students, and community representatives.”

A committee consisting of nine members and a facilitator was formed with the purpose of narrowing the names suggested by the public to between three and five names for possible consideration by the Governing Board. School names were submitted in a suggestion box, through social media channels, and through a link on our district web site from September 1st to September 23rd. There were approximately 180 submissions, some were duplicates. The committee met twice to review all of the submissions and narrow the list.

**The committee members were:**

Deanna Day, Governing Board President  
Mary Snider, Town of Oro Valley Council Member  
Dave Perry, Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce  
Leslie Alameda, Parent  
Margie Hervert, Teacher  
Kathryn Koenig, Parent  
Michael McConnell, STEM School Principal  
Amy Sharpe, Community Relations Director  
Liza Taylor, Teacher  
Dr. Roseanne Lopez, Chief Academic Officer Elementary Education, Facilitator

**The committee recommends the following names for consideration:**

Innovation Elementary, A STEM Focused School  
Innovation Academy, K-5 STEM School

Endeavor Elementary, A STEM Focused School  
Endeavor Academy, K-5 STEM School

Balentine Elementary, A STEM Focused School

Balentine Academy, K-5 STEM School

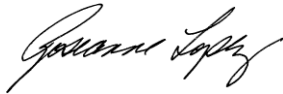
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**RECOMMENDATION:**

This item is presented to the Governing Board for study and possible action.

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**INITIATED BY:**



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**Dr. Roseanne Lopez, Chief Academic Officer Elementary Education**

**Date: September 28, 2016**



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**Patrick Nelson, Superintendent**