



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

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**DATE OF MEETING:** January 31, 2015

**TITLE:** Workshop on Board Governance, Facilitated by the Arizona School Boards Association

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**BACKGROUND:** The Amphitheater Governing Board is a member of the Arizona School Boards Association, a non-profit organization that, among other things, provides training and professional development opportunities to school district governing board members and school administrators.

One program offered by ASBA is a workshop in board governance. This workshop will involve an ASBA facilitator working with the Board and Superintendent on various aspects of governing board service. The program examines the role and functions of school district governing boards – with respect to both their collective and individual memberships. Some of the topics that may be reviewed during this workshop include the following:

1. Characteristics of effective school boards
  2. Things Board members should know
  3. Recognizing governance vs. micromanagement
  4. Board member professional development
  5. Board member and board officer authority and responsibilities
  6. Role of board in public communication
  7. Board member conduct and behavior
  8. Board operational protocols, including rules of order and procedure for meetings
  9. Board retreats
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**RECOMMENDATION:** No action is proposed by this item; its purpose is to allow the Board Members and Superintendent to discuss and study various concepts and issues relating to the governance of the District, facilitated by ASBA in this workshop format.

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**INITIATED BY:**

Todd A. Jaeger, Associate to the Superintendent

Date: January 30, 2015

Patrick Nelson, Superintendent