

**Minutes of the Special Governing Board Meeting
Amphitheater Public Schools
Tuesday, January 27, 2026**

A Special public meeting of the Governing Board of Amphitheater Public Schools was held on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson, AZ 85705 in the Leadership and Professional Development Center.

Governing Board Members Present

Ms. Vicki Cox Golder, President
Ms. Deanna M. Day, M.Ed., Member
Dr. Michael Gemma, Member
Ms. Susan Zibrat, Member

Governing Board Member Absent

Mr. Matthew Kopec, Vice-President

Superintendent's Cabinet Members

Mr. Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent
Ms. Tassi Call, Associate Superintendent for Elementary Education
Mr. Matthew Munger, Associate Superintendent for Secondary Education
Mr. Scott Little, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Richard La Nasa, Executive Director of Operational Support
Mr. John Hastings, Director of Human Resources
Ms. Elizabeth Jacome, Director of Curriculum & Assessment
Ms. Kristin McGraw, Director of Student Services
Ms. Julie Valenzuela, Director of 21st Century Education
Ms. Michelle Valenzuela, Director of Communications

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Cox Golder called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Motion to Recess Open Meeting and Hold an Executive Session for

A. Consideration and Determination of Appeal of Long-term Suspension Hearing Officer's Decision Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-843(A), Regarding Student # 30058146

B. Consideration and Decision Upon Long-term Suspension/Expulsion Hearing Officer's Recommendations, Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-843(F)(2) Regarding Student #30050733

C. Consideration and Decision Upon Long-term Suspension/Expulsion Hearing Officer's Recommendations, Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-843(F)(2) Regarding Student #30083883

Ms. Day moved that the Board go into an Executive Session to address the matters identified in Item 2 of the Board's agenda and pursuant to the legal authorities listed on the agenda under Item 2. Ms. Zibrat seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor- 4. President Cox Golder, Ms. Day, Dr. Gemma and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed-0.

President Cox Golder proclaimed that they were in Executive Session at 5:30pm.

3. RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 5:48pm.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Jaeger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

President Cox Golder announced that the next Regular Governing Board meeting will take place Tuesday,

February 3, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson AZ 85705 in the Leadership & Professional Development Center.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Details of agenda items, supporting documents, and presentations are available in the electronic Board Book by clicking on the hyperlink below.

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Ms. Day moved for Consent Agenda Items 7. A.– L. be approved as presented. Ms. Zibrat seconded the motion. Vote in favor – 4. President Cox Golder, Ms. Day, Dr. Gemma, and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed – 0. Consent Agenda Items 7. A.-L. passed.

A. Approval of Appointment of Non-Administrative Personnel

The Governing Board approved the Appointment of Non-Administrative Personnel as submitted in Exhibit 1.

B. Approval of Personnel Changes

The Governing Board approved Personnel Changes as submitted in Exhibit 2.

C. Approval of Leave(s) of Absence

The Governing Board approved Leave(s) of Absence as submitted in Exhibit 3.

D. Approval of Separation(s) and Termination(s)

The Governing Board approved Separation(s) and Termination(s) as submitted in Exhibit 4.

E. Approval of Stipend for Coaching Volunteers

The Governing Board approved Stipend for Coaching Volunteers as submitted in Exhibit 5.

F. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

The Governing Board approved Governing Board Meeting Minutes January 13, 2026 as submitted in Exhibit 6.

G. Approval of Vouchers Totaling and Not Exceeding Approximately \$3,370,761.03

A copy of vouchers for goods and services received by the Amphitheater Public Schools and recommended for payment has been provided to the Governing Board. The following vouchers were approved as presented and payment authorized as submitted in Exhibit 7.

Voucher #	Amount	Voucher #	Amount	Voucher #	Amount
1186	\$238,186.06	1187	\$209,570.30	1188	\$179,063.44
1189	\$47,677.75	1190	\$4,633.28	1191	\$128,578.14
1192	\$500.00	1193	\$74,087.33	1194	\$1,882,732.64
1195	\$31,022.83	1196	\$9,182.32	1197	\$30,129.22
1199	\$14,726.96	1200	\$515,102.16	1201	\$5,568.60

H. Acceptance of Gifts

The Governing Board approved Acceptance of Gifts as submitted in Exhibit 8.

I. Approval of Parent Support Organization(s) - 2025-2026

The Governing Board approved IRHS Softball Booster as submitted in Exhibit 9.

J. Approval of Disposal of Surplus Property via PublicSurplus.com

The Governing Board approved Disposal of Surplus Property via PublicSurplus.com.

K. Approval of Lease Agreement for Copper Creek Elementary School with the Arizona State School for the Deaf and the Blind

The Governing Board approved Lease Agreement for Copper Creek Elementary School with the Arizona State School for the Deaf and the Blind as submitted in Exhibit 10.

L. Approval of Out of State Travel

The Governing Board approved Out of State Travel as submitted in Exhibit 11.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Motion to Recess Open Meeting and Hold an Executive Session for:

A. Discussion Pertaining to the Employment of the Superintendent, and in Accordance with His Terms of Employment. May Include an Annual Evaluation of His Performance, Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1)

Ms. Day moved that the Board go into an Executive Session to address the matters identified in Item 8 of the Board's agenda and pursuant to the legal authorities listed on the agenda under Item 8. Ms. Zibrat seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor- 4. President Cox Golder, Ms. Day, Dr. Gemma and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed-0.

President Cox Golder proclaimed that they were in Executive Session at 5:50pm.

9. RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 6:08pm.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

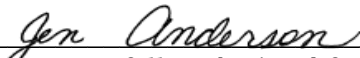
There was no public comment.

11. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Day requested a Board item be placed on the agenda for the study of student activity fees and facility rental fees related to these activities.

12. ADJOURNMENT

President Cox Golder moved for the meeting to adjourn. Dr. Gemma seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor-4. President Cox Golder, Ms. Day, Dr. Gemma, and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:09pm.



Minutes respectfully submitted for Governing Board Approval
Jen Anderson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & Governing Board

January 28, 2026
Date

Vicki Cox Golder, Governing Board President

February 3, 2026
Date