Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, Monday, November 9, 2026

The Governing Board
Payson Unified School District

A Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board of Payson Unified School District was held Monday, November 9, 2026, beginning at 4:45 PM in the Doors open at 4:30pm. Join by phone: (484)841-4075 PIN: 349 550 860# Or join by Google Meet: meet.google.com/obu-ekza-htm. , 902 W Main Street, Payson, Arizona 85541.

I. CALL TO ORDER
II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
IV. BOARD PLEDGE: We pledge that our decisions will cultivate the unique skills and abilities of all learners, empowering them to reach their greatest potential. We recognize the essential role of families in supporting student growth, and we commit to fostering strong partnerships with families to develop well-rounded learners inspired to EXCEL.
V. INFORMATION ONLY - GOOD THINGS
A. Superintendent's Report
B. Longhorn Legacy Awards

- District Department - Hannah Lynch
- Lil'Longhorn Preschool - Sheri Rodgers
- Payson Elementary School - Christine Bollier
- Julia Randall Elementary - Jessyln Davis
- Rim Country Middle School - Amber McNeese
- Payson High School - Greg Keith

C. DECA Celebration Month
Teacher: Ginger Liddell
Students: Madeline Anifantis, Carson Fredericks, Daniela Reyes
D. Recognize Daughter's of Revolution Poster Winners
Winning Students: Esme Ramos, Fifth Grade; Zyden Loy, Fifth Grade; Emma Pellegrim, Fifth Grade
E. JRE Young Author Award Winners
Pet Poetry - Creature Creations:
Eliza Tipton - "The Puppy"

Ridiculous Writers - Imagination
Jacob Dinnon - "A Weird Vacation"
Nova Hale - "The Worm Named Fred"
Ella Engler - "Mini Saga Of The Wiggly Worm"
Michael Crandall - "Stinky Bob's Decision"

Mathew Madrid - "Crazy Bob"
Treydon Fisher - "Funny Fred In The Tree!"

Story Lab - Amazing Authors
Ozara Heiertz - "Run Rabbits"
Ella Engler - "My Dog"

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Brody Ables - "The Missing Person"
Conor Savage - "The Cafeteria Mystery"
Ryder Kelly Martinez - "The Scary Night At JRE"

F. 21st Century After-School Clubs (Dance) Dance After School Club
Teacher: Makenna Kennedy
Students: Kiara Morton, Ashlynn Gilcrist, Malia Agostinacci, Dani Eagar, Jasmine Larson, Envy Baraza, Leni Bryan, Presley Irving, Stella Nelson, Adeline Melendy, Ava Tucker, Ivy Shaffer-Clark, Maryam Valencia, Daisy Boldt, Cece Boldt, Aithana Varela, Mayram Corral, and Aspen Cerna.

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VI. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

A. Information and Discussion on District Events and Board Engagement

B. Information and Discussion on ADE Letter Grades

C. Information and Discussion on school safety and recent lockdowns.

D. Information and Discussion 2026-2027 Monthly Financials and Contingency Balance

E. Information and Discussion on Business Services Internship Program

F. Information and Discussion on ADM and the estimated effect on the 2026-2027 Expenditure Budget Revision #1 in December 2026

G. Information and Discussion on Auditor General School Finance Advisory Committee Recognition

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Members of the Governing Board shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. Be advised that by policy personal attacks upon Board members, staff personnel, or other persons in attendance or absent by individuals who address the Board are discouraged, and the Board will not consider or act on complaints that have not been submitted to the campus and/or District administration, as appropriate.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consent Agenda

1. Approve Personnel Action Report
2. Approve Student Activities Report
3. Approve Payroll and Expense Voucher List
4. Approve Award use of Cooperative Contracts
5. Approve Board Minutes from 6/22/26 and 10/14/26
6. Approve Policy Advisory 961-1046
7. Approve Donation Report

B. Discussion and Possible Action on Student Eligibility in Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Activities.

C. Discussion and Possible Action on age requirement for coaching positions.

D. Discussion and possible action on issuing a survey to teachers regarding ideas and needs to address student state proficiency.
E. Discussion and Possible Action on 25/26 M&O Override Expenditure Summary
IX. INFORMATION ONLY
A. Future Agenda Items
X. LAUNCH
XI. ADJOURN

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President Vice President