



**Canyon Unified School District #4  
Wednesday, January 27, 2021  
6:00 p.m.**

**Special Meeting**

**Minutes**

Minutes are recorded as annotations of the agenda, as indicated in gray background and left paragraph bars (bars have been added because the gray background may not copy).

**Due to the pandemic, this meeting will be conducted online and telephonically**

**Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02**, notice is hereby given to the public that the Governing Board of the Grand Canyon Unified School District #4 will convene for a Special Meeting. The Meeting will be held Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

**Please click the link below to join the meeting:**

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The Governing Board reserves the right to move into Executive Session for discussion and consideration of employment, assignment, promotion, demotion, salaries, etc., and/or legal advice with its attorneys for any item listed on the agenda, in person or telephonically, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1) or (A) (3).

***All items on the agenda may be discussed or considered at this meeting.***

**AGENDA**

**Prior to the beginning of the meeting, recognition will be given to the two retiring Governing**

Note: Several members of the Board and community experienced technical difficulties in joining the call. As a result of troubleshooting these issues the recognitions portion of the meeting began at 6:17 PM, and call to order at 6:25 PM.

**Board members, Pete Shearer and Joe Rabon.**

A premeeting presentation of plaques of recognition for time served on the Grand Canyon School Board was led by Dr. Bria. Dr. Bria recognized each member for their service and contributions, and presented them with plaques of recognition to be prominently displayed in the School Board Room once the Board returns to in-person meetings.

**1. OPENING ITEMS**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris  
 At: 6:00 PM  
 Motion: Call to Order  
 Second: Ms. Jessica Warren

Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan				X
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

**B. ROLL CALL**

In compliance with social distancing and stay-at-home recommendations issued by the Center for Disease Control and directions from Federal and State governments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, this Board meeting was held virtually by phone/web conference.

Designation of “present” in the roll call indicates these members were identified as active members in the conference call.

The Board Meeting phone/web conference information was provided for the public in the meeting posting. As a result not all individuals who called into the meeting were identified. Only Board Members and district staff who actually reported to the Board are identified in the roll call.

Board members present:

- Ms. Kathryn Morris
- Mr. Kevin Hartigan; Mr. Hartigan initially joined the meeting for the recognition, then experienced technical difficulties, missing the opening items and motion for item 2. See additional notes below.
- Ms. Lauren Griffioen
- Ms. SuZan Pearce
- Ms. Jessica Warren

District staff members present:

- Tosca Henry, JD, Legal Counsel
- Shonny Bria, Ph. D., Superintendent
- Mr. Matt Yost, Principal
- Mr. Thomas O’Connor, Program Director, Acting Board Secretary

**C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris  
 At: 6:27 PM  
 Motion: Approval of the agenda as presented.  
 Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan				X
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

**2. CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03 (A) (3)** The Governing Board may vote to convene to executive session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(3) for consultation with the attorney of the Governing Board for legal advice, discussion or consultation regarding the Park Permit.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris  
 At: 6:27 PM  
 Motion: Convene to executive session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(3) for consultation with the attorney of the Governing for legal advice, discussion or consultation regarding the Park Permit.  
 Include in the executive session, Dr. Bria and Mr. O'Connor.

Second: Ms. Jessica Warren

Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan				X
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

|| Mr. Hartigan joined with the Board in the executive session.

**3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris  
 At: 6:58 PM  
 Motion: Reconvene to regular session  
 Second: Ms. Lauren Jeanne Griffioen  
Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan	X			
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

**A. The Board may take action on the items discussed in Executive Session (Item 2.A.) - Ms. Tosca Henry**

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris  
 At: 7:02 PM  
 Motion: Approve the revisions to the intergovernmental agreement with the park service subject to the approval of the final form by the district’s legal counsel. Counsel is directed to bring the agreement back to the Board if there are substantive changes beyond what was discussed on January 27, 2021.  
 Second: Ms. Jessica Warren  
Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan	X			
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

**4. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF UPDATED MITIGATION PLAN – Dr. Shonny Bria, Mr. Matt Yost, Mr. Thomas O’Connor**

Dr. Bria opened the presentation with some background on the revision process.

Mr. O’Connor provided an overview of the changes to the COVID-19 Mitigation plan and the basis for the changes. These included:

- Applying updates made by the Trust (the school’s insurance provider) for safe opening of schools, based on their most recent update of December 2, 3020
  - The most significant update from the Trust was revision of return to school after potential exposure. The prior advice utilized a two part criteria, the latest version simplifies this to one set of bullet points
  - Clarified the determination of “close contact” to follow the latest CDC guidelines
- Simplified much of the language making for a more succinct manual overall
- Added a key terms glossary to clarify the meaning of key terms.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 7:19 PM

Motion: Approve the COVID-19 Mitigation plan, Revision 2.0 as presented.

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan	X			
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

Motion Passes

**5. DISCUSSION OF METRICS FOR RE-OPENING OF SCHOOL – Mr. Thomas O’Connor**

Mr. O’Connor presented the latest COVID-19 community spread data for Coconino County and the Grand Canyon Area. (See Attachment 1). Mr. O’Connor answered several questions from the Board regarding sources of data and nature of the metrics.

**6. REVIEW OF PROCLAMATION (01-21) RELATED TO EXTENDING CLOSURE OF SCHOOL OR OPENING A HYBRID MODEL – Dr. Shonny Bria**

Dr. Bria reviewed the proposed draft of Proclamation 01-21, “Declaring the Criteria to open, and model for in-person instruction to be driven by State Guidelines in relation to State and County data.”

**7. CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03 (A) (3)** The Governing Board may vote to convene to executive session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(3) for consultation with the attorney of the Governing Board for legal advice, discussion or consultation regarding Proclamation 01-21.

The Board President, Ms. Kathryn Morris canvassed the Board members on the merits of convening to executive session regarding discussion of the proclamation. Based on a consensus of the Board members, the Board chose to discuss the Proclamation in open session.

The Board discussed various merits of the proclamation including:

- The notes under the third “Whereas” statement, and if this proclamation should include closure criteria if the school is in in-person or traditional delivery models, and the metrics move out of the criteria area for that model. See the motion below and subsequent directions to staff.
- There was discussion on resolution item 3, with several questions raised about the safety of holding in-person meetings, and if Board members would be required to attend in person when community spread levels reach the moderate state. See the motion below.

**8. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

**A. The Board may take action on the items discussed in Executive Session (Item 7. A.)**

As noted above, the Board discussed the Proclamation in open session.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris  
 At: 8:48 PM  
 Motion: Approval for the proclamation as presented with the following additions:  
 1) Add item 3.C: All meetings can be accessed on Zoom for the 20-21 school year.  
 2) Add an item #4 which assures Zoom and telephone will be available for Board meetings for Board members  
 Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce  
 Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan	X			
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

Motion Passes

**9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR PLACEMENT OF A STORAGE CONTAINER OWNED BY THE TOWN OF TUSAYAN ON THE SCHOOL’S PROPERTY IN TUSAYAN – MR. KEVIN HARTIGAN**

Mr. Hartigan, a member of the liaisons committee overseeing the development of the School property in Tusayan, described the town of Tusayan’s interest in placing a storage container to house maintenance equipment and cleaning supplies to meet the Town’s commitment for maintenance of the facilities at the property.  
 Board members expressed no objections.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris  
 At: 9:02 PM  
 Motion: Adjourn  
 Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce  
 Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan	X			
Lauren Jeanne Griffioen	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Jessica Warren	X			

Motion Passes, the meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM

Respectfully Submitted By, \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Secretary

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Kathryn Morris  
Board President

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Jessica Warren  
Board Member

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Suzan Pearce  
Board Clerk/Vice President

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Kevin Hartigan  
Board Member

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Lauren Jeanne Griffioen  
Board Member

**Attachments:**

1. January 29, 2021, COVID-19 Presentation