



**Grand Canyon Unified School District #4
Wednesday, April 21, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

Regular Meeting

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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 Regular Meeting. at 6:00 p.m. For members of the public wishing to join the meeting, Zoom connection information follows.

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AGENDA

1. OPENING ITEMS

Note for future reference for the Board: The meeting start was delayed because the Board was unable to form a quorum at the scheduled meeting time. The district's attorney, Ms. Henry advised the Board President that the President retains the option of *recess and reconvene*. The president can declare a recess of the current meeting, with intent to reconvene at a later time. Because the recess would not

result in a change in the agenda, the 24 hour posting requirement would not apply, though the agenda may not be altered.

A quorum was met at 6:23.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 06:23 PM

Motion: Call to Order

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

B. ROLL CALL

Board members present:

- Ms. Kathryn Morris
- Mr. Kevin Hartigan
- Ms. SuZan Pearce
- Ms. Jessica Warren was not available. Vote tallies indicate this with a NA (Not Available)

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
- Mr. Ivan Landry, Director of Transportation and Maintenance
- Ms. Barbara Shields, Food Services Director

- Mr. Derrick Tutt, IT Director
- Ms. Benda Thomas-Martinez, Business Manager
- Dr. Karen Lehman, Special Education Director

Members presenting from the Town of Tusayan:

- Ms. Clarinda Vail, Mayor;
- Mr. Brady Harris, Vice Mayor;
- Ms. Charlie Gail Hendrix, JD. Town Manager

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 06:23 PM

Motion: Approval of the Agenda as amended:

In Item 7.G, remove occupational, physical and speech therapy services.

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Discussion: Dr. Bria explained that the bids for Occupational OT), Physical (PT) and Speech Therapy (SLP) services are being redone because of deficiencies in the response to the original bids. This will be explained more in item 7.G.

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

2. COMMUNICATIONS

A. CALL TO THE COMMUNITY

We value input from our community. Members of the public may speak to the Board regarding items that are not on this Agenda. To do so, a Public Participation at Board Meetings form must be completed and emailed to Board Secretary, Susan Kerley, at skerley@grandcanyonschool.org. before 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 21, 2021. The form may be found on the School’s website at www.grandcanyonschool.org,> Governing Board>Public Participation Form. When you join the meeting by phone or computer, notify the host that you have submitted a form and wish to speak during the Call

to the Community. When the President of the Board calls upon you, please limit your comments to three minutes.

Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. Please remember, this is not an appropriate place to evaluate, discuss, or criticize District personnel.

No Public Participation Forms were received from community members

3. PRESENTATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE/DISCUSSION

- A.** Tusayan School District Property Update, including Ramada, Bathroom, Garden and graduation banners for high school seniors - Ms. Clarinda Vail, Mayor; Mr. Brady Harris, Vice Mayor; Ms. Charlie Gail Hendrix, Town Manager

Ms. Clarinda Vail, Tusayan Mayor, provided an update on the community garden. See Attachment A.

Ms. Vail inquired as to the Board's preference for the review the Ramada final design before moving forward.

The IGA between the Town and the School District requires such a change only if the final design deviates from the original design by more than 5% in cost or footprint, but the Town is happy to submit the final design for Board approval if desired.

The consensus from the Board was that they would appreciate the opportunity to review the final design.

The Board expressed appreciation to the Town for providing graduating seniors banners as was done last year.

- B.** Update on Grand Canyon Schools - Mr. Matt Yost

Mr. Yost updated the Board, summarized in brief as:

Graduation:

- The school is developing a plan with heavy influence from our seniors
- In communication with the Park and Tusayan
- Working with the Park on another Graduation Parade like last year
- May do graduation in the school field if the Park pavilion is not available

Week 5 of opening:

- Number of students at school Monday April 19th: 150

- Number of students at school Tuesday April 20: 154
- We have completed AZM2 Testing for grades 3, 4, and 5.
- AZSCI completed grades 5, 8, and 11.
- Completed ACT for 11th grade.
- Still working towards completion of 6,7,8,9, and 10th AzM2 over the next three weeks.
- Thank you to Ms. Rommel for creating and managing the testing schedule.
- Also a big thank you to Derrick Tutt for helping make sure the computers are all set up in testing mode and having extra computers ready to go in case a computer isn't working.
- Attendance percentages for April 19 Elem 93.65%, MS 95% and HS 95.18%
- Attendance percentages for April 20 Elem 92.86, MS 95.45%, and HS 93.67%
- Teachers are expressing appreciation for having students in the classroom
- Parent feedback (from drive through drop-off/pickup) is positive
- Students appear to be happy to be back.

4. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

- Business Report – Ms. Benda Thomas-Martinez

Ms. Brenda Thomas-Martinez presented an updated, simplified budget report, see attachment B.

- SPED Report - Dr. Karen Lehman

No questions on Dr. Lehman's report

- IT Report - Mr. Derrick Tutt

Mr. Hartigan asked about the situation on the school side of the fiber project. Will the school be ready for the E-Rate fiber project when connected.

Mr. Tutt described some of the preparation work in progress for the project, and assured the Board that the school will be ready.

- Maintenance & Operations Report - Mr. Ivan Landry

Ms. Pearce inquired about bus service, and expressed appreciation for the ongoing success.

- Food Services Report - Ms. Barb Shields

Ms. Shields added to her report:

- Hot meals are going great, better variety
- Grab and go numbers 1-3 per day
- Averaging approximately 110 on-site meals day
- Nothing heard anything negative about stopping deliveries of meals

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Governing Board Meeting Minutes:(BEDG, BEDG-R)
 - March 24, 2021 – Regular Meeting
 - April 06, 2021 – Special Meeting
 - April 14, 2021 – Special Meeting
- B. Approval of Payroll Vouchers:
 - FY 20-21 # 20 \$131,471.04
 - FY 20-21 # 21 \$145,309.77
- C. Approval of Expense Vouchers:
 - FY 20-21 # 4031 \$ 68,884.26
 - FY 20-21 # 4032 \$ 1,339.53
 - FY 20-21 # 4033 \$ 6,799.86
 - FY 20-21 # 4034 \$ 20,772.09
 - FY 20-21 # 4035 \$ 53,851.99
- D. Approval of Fiduciary Disbursements:
 - Student Activity – March 2021
 - Revolving – March 2021
 - Auxiliary – March 2021
 - Food Services – March 2021
- E. Approval of Donations:

2020 Tax Credit Donations: Theresa McMullan	\$ 200	Area of Need
Travis Sines and Daniel Hovanec	\$ 400	Area of Need
Jonathan and Tracey Triggs	\$ 400	Area of Need
Andy and SuZan Pearce	\$ 400	Area of Need
- F. Human Resources:
 1. Approval of rehiring certified teachers for the 2021-2022 school year.
 2. Approval of rehiring classified staff members for the 2021-2022 school year
 3. Approval of rehiring administrators for the 2021-2022 school year.
 4. Approval of hiring Ms. Christine Chavez as second grade teacher for the 2021-2022 school year
 5. Acceptance of resignation from Ms. Susan Duthie, Guidance Counselor, effective June 17, 2021
- G. Approval of transfer: Ms. Betheny Frechette as teacher of a new life skills component for SPED, effective immediately
- H. Approval of Stipends: 8th Grade Sponsor; Junior Sponsor; Senior Sponsor; PLC Leaders; Yearbook Photography
- I. Approval of Community Garden on School Site in Tusayan

Motion by:	Ms. Kathryn Morris
At:	06:58 PM
Motion:	Approval of the Consent Agenda as presented:
Second:	Ms. SuZan Pearce
<u>Vote Tally</u>	

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

Motion Passes

6. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consideration and possible approval of health, dental, vision, and life insurance renewal for 2021-2022:
- Health - ASBAIT
 - Dental – Delta Dental of Arizona
 - Vision – VSP
 - Life Insurance – Kansas City Life

Dr. Bria explained that the school has used the same provider for several years, and worked hard with them to lower premiums. For next year, premiums will rise by only 3%, the lowest rise in 7 years. There will be no change in dental, and only \$1 for vision. There is no change to life insurance.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris
 At: 07:02 PM
 Motion: Approve the health, dental, vision, and life insurance renewal package for 2021-2022 as presented.
 Second: Mr. Kevin Hartigan

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

B. Consideration and possible approval of Summer Academy 2021

Mr. Yost described plans for an intensive math and reading academy:

- Planning to run from June 7 through June 24, from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. with possibly some fun Friday activity.
- Teachers are recommending students based on where they are academically.
- Recommendations include High School (HS) and Middle School (MS). Typically summer school is elementary focused. We haven't invited MS and HS in the past. MS and HS would also include science.
- HS is utilizing assessments of essential standards. Mr. Houston has identified key essential standards for algebra and geometry. We will work on an individualized process for a couple of students.
- We will do a pre and post test to show growth.

Board member Pearce asked the following questions:

Q: Will the summer academy be in person or virtual?

A: (Mr. Yost); In-person.

Q: Do we have the budget for this?

A: (Dr. Bria); Yes, we will be using COVID (ESSER II) funds.

Q: How many teachers will be needed, and do we have them?

A: (Mr. Yost); It depends on the number of students. We are reaching out to find out who is available. We are confident we can staff this, and looking at options for pulling in staff for the summer from outside the area to assist.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 07:18 PM

Motion: Approval of Summer Academy 2021 as proposed.

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

- C. First reading of new Policies (with adoption at May’s Regular Meeting):
 - IE – Organization of Instruction
 - JFABC - Admission of Transfer Students

Dr. Bria explained that for policies or procedures with high change, we perform a two reading process. We present the change for review, then allow time for consideration and questions, and bring back at the next regular Board meeting (May in this case) for approval.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris
 At: 07:20 PM
 Motion: Approval of first reading of new Policies, with expected adoption at the May Regular Board meeting:
 IE – Organization of Instruction
 JFABC - Admission of Transfer Students
 Second: Kevin
Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

- D. Approval to invoke Policy BGF (Suspension/Repeal of Policy) to adopt the policies containing no material changes, only legal reference updates (Item E.) and minor changes (Item F.) in one reading.

Dr. Bria explained that for low change, or changes which are not material, such as minor wording changes or changes which do not materially change the intention of the policy, we can suspend the two readings requirement. This agenda item suspends the need for two readings for Agenda Item 7.E and 7.F.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris
 At: 07:22 PM
 Motion: Approval to invoke Policy BGF (Suspension/Repeal of Policy) to adopt the policies (Items E. and F.) in one reading.

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

E. Adoption of updated Policies (with one reading):

Reference Updates

Policy BBA, Board Powers and Responsibilities; Add Cross Ref: KI, Visitors to Schools

Policy JLCD, Medicines/Administering Medicines to Students; Add Legal Ref: 15-158 and 15-203

Policy KI, Visitors to Schools, Add legal Ref: A.G.O. 184-054; Add Cross Ref: BBA, Board Powers and Responsibilities

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 07:26 PM

Motion: Adoption of reference updates for Policies (with one reading):

- Policy BBA, Board Powers and Responsibilities, Add Cross Ref: KI, Visitors to Schools
- Policy JLCD, Medicines/Administering Medicines to Students, Add Legal Ref: 15-158 and 15-203
- Policy KI, Visitors to Schools, Add legal Ref: A.G.O. 184-054; Add Cross Ref: BBA, Board Powers and Responsibilities

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

F. Adoption of updated policies:

- Policy BBBA - Board Member Qualifications
- Policy EEAEA - Bus Driver Requirements, Training, and Responsibilities
- Policy GCQF - Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members
- Policy GDFA - Support Staff Qualifications and Requirements (Fingerprinting)
- Policy IJJ - Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption
- Policy JFAA- Admission of Resident Students
- Policy JFB - Open Enrollment
- Policy JL - Student Wellness
- Policy KB - Parental Involvement in Education

DR. Bria explained that the following policies have minor changes, usually one or two items. Usually they are legislative changes.

Of particular note for the Board, policy BBBA clarifies that if a Board member’s spouse becomes employed by the district, the Board member would be disqualified from serving on the Board. The policy also requires that a Board member disclose any private company interactions where those companies could be contracted by the school.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 07:34 PM

Motion: Approve adoption of the updated policies:
 Policy BBBA - Board Member Qualifications
 Policy EEAEA - Bus Driver Requirements, Training, and Responsibilities
 Policy GCQF - Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members
 Policy GDFA - Support Staff Qualifications and Requirements (Fingerprinting)
 Policy IJJ - Textbook/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption
 Policy JFAA- Admission of Resident Students
 Policy JFB - Open Enrollment
 Policy JL - Student Wellness
 Policy KB - Parental Involvement in Education

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

G. Approval of Bids for Occupational Therapy Services (OT), Physical Therapy Services (PT), Speech-Language Pathologist Services (SLP), School Psychologist Services (PSYCH) and Counseling Services

Dr. Lehman reminded the Board that in the amended approval of the agenda, the occupational, physical and speech therapy services will be discussed at a future meeting.

She described the research performed for the School Psychologist Services and Counseling Services recommendation. We want to recommend Consulting Services of Northern Arizona. The Board had research information for review in the Board Packet. Consulting Services of Northern Arizona has a lot of experience with the Native American students. Other respondents tended to be teletherapy services, and could not produce PhD level counselors. See BoardDocs for more details.

When we started looking at the quality of services, the lower price vendors did not have the services desired. The existing contract has provided high quality services for the last several years.

Board member Pearce asked: Can we go with higher bid because of research and references?

Dr Bria answered: Yes, that is why our research is so detailed. Blueridge contracted last year with one of the lower cost vendors, and determined that it was a mistake.

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 07:42 PM

Motion: Approve Bids for School Psychologist Services (PSYCH) and Counseling Services.

Second: Mr. Kevin Hartigan

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

8. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Bria noted that Mr. O'Connor has been assigned added responsibilities including asset management and completion of the Timeclock plus implementation. The Timeclock implementation is expected to be fully operational for the start of the next fiscal year.

9. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

- Facilities update of construction/repairs each month.
- Monthly update on fiber project
- We may need a special board meeting for budget review. Will need to coordinate with Ms. Thomas-Martinez.
- Prop 301 (teacher performance pay) will be in May the at regular Board meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: Ms. Kathryn Morris

At: 07:51 PM

Motion: Adjourn

Second: Mr. Kevin Hartigan

Vote Tally

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

Motion Passes

Respectfully Submitted By, _____
Board Secretary

Date _____

Kathryn Morris
Board President

Jessica Warren
Board Member

Suzan Pearce
Board Clerk/Vice President

Kevin Hartigan
Board Member

<Open Position>
Board Member

Attachments:

1. Tusayan Presentation, community garden map
2. Simplified budget report