



**Grand Canyon Unified School District #4
July 15, 2020
Public Hearing: 2020-2021 Expenditure Budget Approval
5:45 p.m.
Followed Immediately By a Special Board Meeting**

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 HEARING WILL BE HELD TELEPHONICALLY/ELECTRONICALLY

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-341.02, notice is hereby given to the public that the Governing Board of the Grand Canyon Unified School District #4 will convene for a 5:45 p.m. Public Hearing with a Special Meeting immediately following on Wednesday, July 15, 2020.

Members of the Governing Board will attend by computer or conference call. Members of the public who wish to attend the Public Hearing may join by computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://www.gotomeet.me/GrandCanyonSchool>

You can also dial in using your phone.

(For supported devices, tap a one-touch number below to join instantly.)

United States: +1 (872) 240-3311

- One-touch: tel:+18722403311,,117972077#

Access Code: 117-972-077

Members of the public will have an opportunity to ask questions regarding the 2020-2021 Expenditure budget. To do so, a Public Participation at Board Meetings form must be completed and sent to Board Secretary, Susan Kerley, at skerley@grandcanyonschool.org before 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 1, 2020. 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 this Public Hearing. The President of the Board will call upon you,

**Public Hearing Agenda
PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTION OF 2020-2021 SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET**

Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-905, Notice is hereby given to the residents and taxpayers of the Grand Canyon Unified School District #4, County of Coconino, State of Arizona, that the Governing Board of this

school district will hold a Public Hearing for consideration of the School District's Proposed Annual Expenditure Budget for the fiscal year 2020-21.

1. Declare the Public Hearing open for the discussion of the Proposed 2020-21 Expenditure Budget

The Public Hearing was declared open for discussion at 5:45 p.m. by Ms. SuZan Pearce, Board Clerk, substituting for Mr. Kevin Hartigan, President, who had not joined the meeting yet.

Mr. Hartigan joined at 5:47 p.m.

2. Review Proposed 2020-21 Budget

The proposed budget, with amendments as directed at the July 1, 2020 Special Board Meeting, was presented by Ms. Brenda Thomas-Martinez, Business Services Consultant. Questions were heard from Board members and community members, and addressed by Ms. Thomas-Martinez.

3. Questions from Citizens

*** Question to Shonny: Should this even be included ***

The questions and comments below are paraphrased from the public discussion, and should not be taken to be direct quotes. They are included here to capture key questions and discussion topics which were discussed in the public hearing.

Ms. Clarinda Vail, Tusayan, asked if the Primary Tax Rate of 12.0990 (page 1 of the budget) was added to M&O override value of 1.1670, or if the M&O override was included in the Primary Rate?

Ms. Thomas-Martinez responded that the total tax rate is the sum of these two values.

Ms. Vail asked that the district keep the property owners in mind when planning future budget revisions because of the impact the pandemic has had on local business revenue.

Mr. Craig Sanderson, the Mayor of Tusayan, asked: The school district receives monies based on property taxes, but no revenue on sales tax, correct?

Ms. Thomas-Martinez responded in the affirmative.

Ms. Vail noted that because of the economy, businesses have not been able to pay property taxes, and even when the economy improves, because of the economic down turn, and resulting decrease in property values, tax revenue may be down, and the District should be prepared for this.

Mr. Sanderson agreed that this is something for the District to keep in mind for future years.

Ms. Thomas-Martinez noted that the District follows a funding formula defined by the state and so we have no control over the budget limit calculation.

4. Questions from Governing Board Members

The comments below are paraphrased from the public discussion, and should not be taken to be direct quotes. They are included here to capture key questions and discussion topics which were discussed in the public hearing.

Board member, Mr. Pete Shearer asked why the budget was more than the prior year, noting that at the July 1 meeting, he had specifically asked that carryover monies be spent for prepays.

Ms. Thomas-Martinez responded that in the budget before the Board, the carryover had been used for prepays. That what was being seen was an increase in state provided revenue to fulfill the last of the Governor's 21% increase in teacher compensation. This money, provided by the state, is mandated to be used for increasing teacher compensation.

5. Close the Public Hearing for the PROPOSED Annual Expenditure Budget

Motion by Mr. Kevin Hartigan at: 6:47 p.m.

Motion: Adjourn the public hearing.

Second: Ms. SuZan Pearce

Vote Tally

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	NA
Kevin Hartigan	X			
SuZan Pearce	X			
Joe Rabon	X			
Pete Shearer	X			
Kathryn Morris	X			

Motion passes, Public Hearing adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, _____
Board Secretary

Date _____

Kevin Hartigan
Board President

Pete Shearer
Board Member

Joe Rabon
Board Clerk/Vice President

Kathryn Morris
Board Member

SuZan Pearce
Board Member