



**Grand Canyon Unified School District
March 25, 2018
12:00 p.m.
Special Board Meeting (Board Retreat)
Minutes**

Members of the Governing Board may attend either in person or by telephone conference call. 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 12:00 PM Special Board Meeting (Retreat).

**The Special Meeting was held Sunday, March 25, 2018,
At
ALBRIGHT TRAINING CENTER
ARROWHEAD CONFERENCE ROOM
1 ALBRIGHT AVENUE
Grand Canyon,
Arizona 86023**

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)

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

Special Board Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER (12:06 p.m.)

Mr. Kevin Hartigan, President, made a motion to call the meeting to order, it was seconded by Mr. Brian Donehoo, and carried 5-0. The meeting was called to order at 12.04 p.m. Present were President Kevin Hartigan, Board Members Ms. SuZan Pearce, Mr. Pete Shearer, Mr. Joe Rabon, and Mr. Brian Donehoo. Guests included Chief Park Ranger Matt Vandzura (National Park Service), and Principal, Tom Rowland (Grand Canyon School). Superintendent Dr. Shonny Bria, Assistant Superintendent Mr. Matt Yost, and Assistant to the Superintendent Ms. Susan Kerley were also present.

II. LUNCH

III. FOOD BANK

Matt Vandzura, Chief Ranger of Grand Canyon National Park, spoke to the Board about utilizing the "Old Garage" for a food bank and swapping it for storage space near the old Boat Shop. There are food insecurity concerns in the Greater Grand Canyon Area for summer. Mr. Vandzura posed the question to the Board about this possibility. The Board asked questions of Mr. Vandzura about his mission. They related to insurance, parking, and exclusion. This will be added to the Board's agenda for March 27th as this project would help the community with food concerns and the restoration of the historic building.

IV. FUTURE CALENDAR OPTIONS (Tom Rowland) (1:20 p.m.)

Mr. Rowland explained that schools often use an 80/80 formula - 80% of students make 80% and above on test scores. He would like to work with teachers to see what they want to do in intercessions. Ms. Pearce suggested finding districts about our size that have been successful with intercessions and measurements before and after the intercessions. Mr. Hartigan suggested getting together a committee of teachers to sort through various possibilities for intercessions. Mr. Donehoo volunteered to meet with Mr. Rowland and teachers regarding intercessions. Mr. Rowland added that they will come up with input, not necessarily a solution, and will return to the Board.

Ms. Pearce noted that having Career Day in the spring could lead to job decisions in the fall. She suggested getting information to the community at various dinners and events held at the school and offering press releases or stories to the newspaper.

Currently, the School has two CTE programs: videography and culinary arts. Mr. Yost described the SOAR program. One downside is that kids don't get paid for the work they perform.

V. STRATEGIES AND REORGANIZATION (Shonny, Matt and Tom) (3:00 p.m.)

Dr. Bria explained that the District needs to rethink its systems. She will recommend that Dr. Karen Lehman become the Executive Director of Exceptional Student Services; Lori Rommel the Dean of Students; and Matt Yost Business Manager as well as Assistant Superintendent. Dr. Bria plans to perform HR duties with the exception of health/retirement benefits and payroll.

VI. POLICY G - PERSONNEL (3:45 p.m.)

Revisions of policies GCBDA (Housing for Professional/Support Staff Members) and GCCA (Professional/Support Staff Sick Leave) were reviewed and discussed. The Board directed Staff to return with recommendations for the revision of GCCA.

The Board directed staff to look into the advantages/disadvantages of having utilities billed to individuals versus to the School District. Mr. Yost said he would investigate and would return with the results for the Board's consideration. Also, an RFP must be done for propane because Titan is no longer a sole provider .

VII. GRAND CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN (5:00 p.m.)

A. Powerpoint Presentation (Mr. Pete Shearer) - None

B. Strategic Planning Process

1. Expression of need for a therapeutic counselor or social worker
2. Consistency in Business Office
3. Achievement (academic coach, etc.)
4. Salary Increases
5. Activity Organizer (public affairs)
6. Web Site
7. Re-thinking systems
8. A survey will be created by Charlotte Wing to send to the community. To be sent in hard copy and electronically, it can be used to introduce the idea of year-round school.

Staff was directed to reach out to the County to find out options for helping the Supai School.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A consensus was reached to have another retreat on Sunday, May 20, 2018, from noon to 6:00 p.m. Mr. Hartigan made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Pearce. The motion carried 5-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

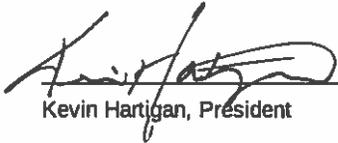
Respectfully submitted by,



Matthew Yost, Secretary

Date

4.25.18



Kevin Hartigan, President



Brian Donehoo, Clerk



SuZan Pearce, Member



Joe Rabon, Member

Pete Shearer, Member