

MINUTES-DRAFT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING-THATCHER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 4

Thursday, October 10, 2024 5:30 p.m.
District Administrative Center, 3490 West Main Street, Thatcher, Arizona

Dr. Gary Sorensen, President
Kate McCluskey, Member

Dr. Debbie Chapman, Clerk
Kenny Smith, Member

J. Travis Smith, Member
Matt Petersen, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Board President Dr. Gary Sorensen at 5:30 p.m. All board members are present. Pledge of allegiance led by Board President, Dr. Gary Sorensen.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes of September 12, 2024

Motion by Dr. Debbie Chapman to approve the agenda and minutes as submitted.

Second by Kate McCluskey.

Discussion by J. Travis Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Summary of Current Events & Activities

Superintendent Petersen advises-

- Band Teacher Ruth Young presented awards won by students from recent competitions
- Enrollment to date:
 - JDPS 418, last year 432
 - TES 550, last year 539
 - TMS 273, last year 301
 - THS 513, last year 509
 - EOA 51, last year 44
 - Total: 1805, last year 1825
- Continuation of state monitoring for English language learners, Special Education & CTE. Cognia Thatcher High School in January
- Presentation by Superintendent Petersen of letter grade information. Official results in November

Call to the Public

N/A

Approval/Ratification of Financial Matters

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve/ratify payroll and expense vouchers dated (September 13, 2024 thru October 10, 2024) & budget balance reports ending (September 30, 2024).

Second by Dr. Debbie Chapman.

Discussion by J. Travis Smith.

Voted, passed.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

(Nay: J. Travis Smith)

Approval of Staff Changes (*Contingent on file clearance, as applicable)

Motion Dr. Debbie Chapman to approve staff changes as submitted.

Classified:	Inclusion Aides:	Tiana Medley/TES, Margaret Nichols/JDPS Self Contained, Abigail Nicolds/TES Amora Baldwin/JDPS, Samantha Palmer/TES
	Instructional Aides:	Cynthia Payne/JDPS, Emma Workman/JDPS
	Other:	Dennis Lane/Maintenance Supervisor, Abel Rodriguez/Janitorial, Shannon Meehl/Maintenance-Grounds, Daron Goslin/General Maintenance-Grounds
Certified:		Cindy Rickert/Advance Ed Chair (Cognia) Stipend, Ryan Conrad/THS CTE Director Stipend, Marcie Lopeman/EOA-Part-Time, Aubrey Larson/EOA Part-Time, Spencer Lamoreaux/EOA Part-Time, Caroline Amoureux/TMS 7 th Grade Social Studies (LTS),

Resignations: Sarah (Cherri) Baca/Matron, Garrett Stanlick/TMS 8th Social Studies Teacher, Kimberly Martin/JDPS Inclusion Aide-Self Contained, Monica Smith/JDPS Instructional Aide, Kayden Duffin/TES Inclusion Aide, Maria Bustamante/TES Inclusion Aide

Terminations: Jeremy Romero/Skilled Maintenance, Erin Twitchell/Certified Staff

Volunteers: Evelyn Bull/THS FBLA Volunteer, Jacqueline Allred/THS FBLA Volunteer

Extra-Curricular: THS Girls Soccer: Kailee Jacquez/JV Coach

THS Wrestling: Gabriel Jaurigue/Volunteer, Waldo Gutierrez/Volunteer, Denver Householder/Volunteer

Game Help: Chris Cook, CJ Gonzales

Second by J. Travis Smith.

Discussion Superintendent Petersen.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Fundraiser-THS Choir

Motion by Kate McCluskey to approve the THS Choir fundraiser.

Second by Kenny Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Fundraiser-THS Spiritline

Motion by Kate McCluskey to approve THS Spiritline fundraiser.

Second by Kenny Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of FY25 Annual Financial Report

Motion by J. Travis Smith to approve the FY25 Annual Financial Report.

Second by Kate McCluskey.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

Roll Call: Dr. Debbie Chapman-yes, Kate McCluskey-yes, J. Travis Smith-yes, Kenny Smith-yes, Dr. Gary Sorensen-yes)

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of 5-Year Audit Proposal

Motion by Kate McCluskey to approve the 5-year audit proposal.

Second by Kenny Smith.

Discussion by J. Travis Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of FY25 IGA-GIFT-Gila Institute for Technology

Motion by Dr. Debbie Chapman to approve the FY25 IGA-GIFT IGA.

Second by Kate McCluskey.

Discussion by J. Travis Smith.

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Approval to Grant Early Graduation for Eagle Online Students A.A.

Motion by J. Travis Smith to approve the early graduation of Eagle Online student A.A.

Second by Kenny Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of ASBA Policy Advisories 788-800—SECOND READING—

Motion by Dr. Debbie Chapman to approve the ASBA policy advisories.

Policy Advisory No. 788 Policy ACA	Sexual Harassment
Policy Advisory No. 789 Policy ACAA Regulation ACAA-R	Title IX Sex Discrimination Sexual Harassment Title IX Sex Discrimination Sexual Harassment
Policy Advisory No. 790 Policy GBK	Staff Grievances
Policy Advisory No. 791 Policy JII	Student Concerns, Complaints, and Grievances
Policy Advisory No. 792 Policy BBBA	Board Member Qualifications
Policy Advisory No. 793 Policy GCF	Professional Staff Hiring
Policy Advisory No. 794 Policy GDF	Support Staff Hiring
Policy Advisory No. 795 Policy IHA	Basic Instructional Program
Policy Advisory No. 796 Policy IKF	Graduation Requirements
Policy Advisory No. 797 Policy JFABC	Admission of Transfer Students
Policy Advisory No. 798 Policy JFB Regulation JFB-R	Open Enrollment Open Enrollment
Policy Advisory No. 799 Policy JHD Regulation JHD-R Exhibit JHD-EA Exhibit JHD-EB	Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance
Policy Advisory No. 800 Regulation JLCD-R	Medicines / Administering Medicines to Students

Second by J. Travis Smith.

Discussion by J. Travis Smith.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Approval of Instructional Time Model-THS Senior Seminar—SECOND READING—

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve the instructional time model for THS senior seminar.

Second by Dr. Debbie Chapman.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

(Ayes: Dr. Debbie Chapman, Kate McCluskey, J. Travis Smith, Kenny Smith, Dr. Gary Sorensen)

Information-THS Track Re-Surfacing

Superintendent Petersen informed the board.

Information-THS & Bus Barn Road Project

Superintendent Petersen informed the board.

Information-ASBA Bylaw Changes

Superintendent Petersen informed the board.

UPCOMING EVENTS/CALENDAR REVIEW/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Graham County ASBA Workshop

October 21, 2024 @ 4:30 p.m.

David M. Player Center for the Arts

Next regularly scheduled board meeting:

November 14, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m.

District Administrative Center

3490 West Main Street

Thatcher, Arizona 85552

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, motion by Kenny Smith to adjourn at 6:11 p.m.

Second by Kate McCluskey.

Voted, passed, unanimous.

Dr. Gary Sorensen, President

Dr. Debbie Chapman, Clerk