

SECOND MESA DAY SCHOOL

“ITAH TSATSAYOM MOPEKYA”



Second Mesa Day School Governing Board

Regular School Board Meeting

Date: May 18, 2026

Time: 5:30 pm

Location: SMDS Admin Conference Room/Zoom Meeting

Zoom Dial-In Number: (719) 359-4580 or (720) 707-2699

Meeting ID: 823 1907 1106

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. CALL TO PUBLIC

V. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. None

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Off-Reservation/Overnight Travel to Attend 33rd NASTA Summer Conference on July 5-9, 2026, in Flagstaff, AZ for Transportation Dept. Staff.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Accept Representation Letter regarding Financial Statements Audit for SY 2022-2023 with Walker & Armstrong, LLC.
- b. Review, Discussion and Presentation of SMDS Investment Account Overview with Bank of America Representative.
- c. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve ESS Extended School Year (ESY) Program from May 26, 2026, to June 11, 2026.
- d. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Off-Reservation/Overnight Travel for ESS Extended School Year (ESY) Field Trip on June 10-11, 2026, to Phoenix, AZ.
- e. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Proposal to Initiate SMDS Out-of-Boundary for Special Education Students Residing Outside Attendance Boundaries for SY 2026-2027.
- f. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SMDS and WestEd, TNTP for SY 2026-2027.
- g. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve McKinney Vento Homeless Program Policy. (2nd Reading/Final Approval)
- h. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Foster Care Plan. (2nd Reading/Final Approval)
- i. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve SMDS Athletic Handbook. (1st Reading)
- j. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Out-of-State/Overnight Travel to Attend Elevate Conference on July 8-10, 2026, in Las Vegas, NV for Lorelle Paatala, F.A.C.E. Teacher/Coordinator and Karlceta Begaye, F.A.C.E. Paraprofessional.
- k. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Off-Reservation/Same-Day Travel to Attend Hopi Trust Board Renewal Meeting on June 11, 2026, in Flagstaff, AZ for Kimberly K. Thomas, CSA/Principal & Dakota Francis, HR Manager.
- l. Review, Discussion and Possible Approval of Professional Development On-Site for Curriculum/Instruction Work Session on June 1, 2026, to June 11, 2026, for 10-month Certified Employees and on June 1, 2026, to June 4, 2026, for 10-month Classified Employees.
- m. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Amend SMDS Personnel Salary & Wage Budget for SY 2026-2027.

- n. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve SMDS Personnel Incentive Pay for Returning Employees using Investment Funds.

VIII. PERSONNEL:

- a. Review, Discussion of Other Items of Concern regarding Personnel. *(If needed) (Possible Executive Session for any action item under personnel)*
- b. Review, Discussion and Consideration of Possible Action to Rescind Employment Contract Non-Renewal due to Administrative Error regarding Budget under Title I Fund and to Approve Contract Renewal for Raquel Lacapa, RTI Paraprofessional for SY 2026-2027. *(Advisement from Legal Counsel)*
- c. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Accept Employee Resignation pursuant to Policy Section 8.02 for Dempsey Davis, Behavior Interventionist. *(Effective as of May 21, 2026) (Possible Executive Session)*
- d. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Short-Term Contracts for On-Site Curriculum/Instruction Work Session from June 1, 2026, to June 11, 2026, for 10-month Certified and Classified Employees.
- e. Review, Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Short-Term Contracts for ESS Extended School Year (ESY) Program from May 26, 2026, to June 11, 2026.

IX. REPORTS (Written Reports): (May 2026)

- a. Chief School Administrator/Principal – K. Thomas
- b. Operations Manager – W. Fowler
- c. Human Resources Manager – D. Francis
- d. ESS Teacher/Coordinator – R. Adams
- e. Food Services Manager - N. Albert
- f. F.A.C.E. Program – L. Paatala
- g. Instructional Interventionist – L. Bahe
- h. Business Services Consultant – K. Honie
- i. Lead School Bus Driver – T. Fred
- j. P.A.C. Committee

X. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- a. None

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. 6th Grade Promotion – May 19, 2026
- b. Last Day of School – May 20, 2026
- c. Upcoming Holiday (No School/Work) – Observed for Memorial Day on May 25, 2026.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

DURING THE COURSE OF THE MEETING, THE BOARD MAY VOTE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S 38-431-03 (A) (1) OR WHEN SPECIFICALLY, IDENTIFIED UNDER PERSONNEL OR ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA. EXECUTIVE ON THE AGENDA. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS MAY BE HELD FOR CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS, LEGAL MATTERS AND THE RECEIPT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.

REVIEWED/CONCURRED BY: 
Mrs. Kimberly K. Thomas, CSA/Principal

POSTED DATE: May 14, 2026