

# GOVERNING BOARD MEETING-THATCHER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, March 13, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.

Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

District Administrative Center, 3490 West Main Street, Thatcher, Arizona 85552

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the District Governing Board and to the general public that the Board will hold a meeting open to the public at the stated time and place above. Matters to be discussed, considered or decided by the Board are listed below. The Board may take action as appropriate. This agenda may be amended at any time prior to 24 hours before the meeting. Individuals with special accessibility needs may request reasonable accommodations by contacting the District Office at (928) 348-7201 or Governing Board Secretary Marie Peru @ [peru.marie@thatcherud.org](mailto:peru.marie@thatcherud.org).

**Dr. Gary Sorensen, President**  
**Kate McCluskey, Member**

**Dr. Debbie Chapman, Clerk**  
**Susan Hancock, Member**

**J. Travis Smith, Member**  
**Matt Petersen, Superintendent**

## AGENDA

### OPENING

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda (action)

*The Board reserves the right to reschedule, delete, or rearrange items on the agenda to efficiently conduct its business. With the exception of restricted documents, a copy of agenda background material provided to Board members is available for public inspection at the District Administrative Center, 3490 West Main Street*

Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes from February 26, 2025

### SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES (information)

Superintendent Matt Petersen

### CALL TO THE PUBLIC

*The Board will hear brief comments from the general public, staff and students, but cannot discuss to take action on matters not posted on the business agenda.*

### CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of routine, recurring matters (action)

Recommendation to approve/ratify financial matters:

Payroll and expense vouchers (February 14, 2025 thru March 13, 2025)

### EMPLOYMENT MATTERS

Approval of staff changes (\*Contingent on file clearance, as applicable) and departures (action)

Classified:	Bridgette Mennen/TMS ISS Aide, Mary Apodaca/Bus Driver
Resignations/ Retirement:	Becky Woodside/TMS Special Education Teacher, Teresa Boren/TES 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Callie Ruiz/THS ELA Teacher, Tracy Brown/THS Vocal Music
Transfers:	KaSandra Morris/transfer from TMS ISS Aide to TMS Inclusion Aide
Extra-Curricular:	TMS Game Help: Bradyn Willey/Wrestling Referee
	TMS Track: Seth Carlsen/Coach, Granger Moffett/Volunteer
	THS Track: Jessie Green/Volunteer
	THS Softball: Kamia Arbizo/Volunteer, Sara Bingham/Volunteer

### FUNDRAISERS

It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the listed fundraising projects/events. (action)

- THS Spiritline
- THS Baseball

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Discussion/Possible Approval of Salary Increases (action)
  - Certified Teaching Staff 4% to include Educational Advancements
  - Administrative & Support Staff 2%
  
- Discussion/Possible Approval of Salary Schedules for SY25/26
  - Certified Salary Schedule (action)
  - Classified Salary Schedule (information)
  - Administrative & Support Staff Salary Schedule (action)
  - Extra-Curricular Activity Schedule (information)
  - Extra-Duty Salary Schedule (information)
  
- Discussion/Possible Approval ASBAIT Health Insurance Increase and Additional Employee Benefits (action)
  - District to cover 5.8% insurance increase for full-time employees
  - District contribution of \$2600.00 for employee HSA benefits
  - District contribution of \$2500.00 for employee insurance opt-out
  
- Discussion/Possible Approval of Request to Waive Facility Fee's for Pioneer Days on 07/19/25 (action)
  
- Executive Session *pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431-03(A)(1) to discuss or consider the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of Superintendent: Evaluation of Superintendent for Awarding Performance Pay* (action)

**UPCOMING EVENTS/CALENDAR REVIEW/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Next regularly scheduled board meeting:

April 10, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.  
District Administrative Center  
3490 West Main Street  
Thatcher, Arizona 85552

District Closing Social

May 2, 2025 @ 1:00 p.m.  
Thatcher High School Commons

**ADJOURNMENT (action)**