

# GOVERNING BOARD MEETING-THATCHER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, November 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.

**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, Thatcher, Arizona.*

Approval of the Minutes of October 9, 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 (October 10, 2025 thru November 13, 2025)

### EMPLOYMENT MATTERS

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

Classified:	Inclusion Aide:	Sarah Ibarra/TES
	Instructional Aide:	Patricia Matagaono/JDPS, Kathie Aguilar/JDPS
	Substitutes:	Benjamin Burk/Substitute, Lindy Poche/Substitute, Abigail McCargish/Substitute, Ronda Lee/Substitute, Kariana Schnebly/Substitute, Adrianna Throop/Substitute, Ariana Lilly/Substitute, Micah Mleynek/Substitute, Danielle Mortensen/Substitute, Jackie San Martin/Substitute, Teresa Ferguson
	Other:	Janae Jones/THS Culinary Arts Spee D Eagle Assistant, Kristianna Gomez/Bus Driver, Ross Nichols/General Maintenance
Certified:		Layla Fox/GATE Advisor, Cindy Rickert/Cognia Advanced Ed Advisor
Transfers:		Ashley Conrad/Transfer from an Inclusion Aide to TES Clerical-Nurse Aide, Bridgette Mennen/Transfer from TMS ISS Aide to TMS SPED Resource Long Term Substitute
Resignations:		Jenna Griffin/JDPS Instructional Aide, Elaina Estrada/THS Girls Basketball Coach, Lisa Bejarano/JDPS Instructional Aide, Calista Tuttle/TMS SPED Teacher
Extra-Curricular:	TMS Wrestling:	Trent Christensen/Volunteer, Denver Householder/Volunteer, Waldo Gutierrez Sr/Volunteer, Benjamin Greer/Volunteer

- TMS Game Help: Dustyn Brown, Nick Orr, Seth Lunt
- TMS Soccer: Eilidh Fischbeck/Volunteer
- THS Game Help: Elaina Estrada
- THS Wrestling: Brad Bigler/Coach, Tracy Dodson/Assistant Coach, Jesse Green/Volunteer, James Green Volunteer, Denver Householder/Volunteer, Waldo Gutierrez, Sr/Volunteer, Trent Christensen/Volunteer, Gabriel Jaurigue/Volunteer, Trent Christensen/Volunteer, Jason Bryce/Volunteer, Alec Judd/Volunteer, Cooper Udall/Volunteer, Brik Skousen/Volunteer
- THS Boys Soccer: Isaac Rogers/Coach, Billy Farris/Assistant Coach, Shawn Nelson/Volunteer, Warren Williams/Volunteer, K.C. Hobbs/Volunteer, Jacob Williams/Volunteer
- THS Golf: Luke Ochoa/Coach, Steven Carter/Volunteer, Dale Holladay/Volunteer, Ryan Conrad/Volunteer, Greg Martin/Volunteer
- THS Boys B-Ball: Kyle Hull/Coach, Russell Carter/Coach, Nick Elkins/Coach, Brandon Duncan/Volunteer, Wayne Nelson/Volunteer, Kenny Smith/Volunteer
- THS Girls B-Ball: Brandon Lunt/Coach, Megan Medina/Coach, Cassidy Quinlan/Coach, Chris Cook/Volunteer, Wayne Nelson/Volunteer, Kenny Smith/Volunteer
- THS Girls Soccer: Sara Bingham/Coach, Kailee Jacquez/Coach, Travis Smith/Volunteer
- THS Baseball: Jace Howard/Coach, Stephen Walden/Assistant Coach, Erik Ruiz/JV Coach, Marc Lopeman/Volunteer, Brandon Duncan/Volunteer, Brandon Cooke/Volunteer, Kyle Graf/Volunteer
- THS Softball: Melinda Arbizu/Coach, Sara Bingham/Assistant Coach, Aneica Arbizu/JV Coach, Pancho Perez/Volunteer, Jesus Hernandez/Volunteer
- THS Tennis: Chris Cook/Coach, Ashley Henrichsen/Assistant Coach, Brandon Udall/Assistant Coach, Colton Cook/Volunteer, Dallin Cook/Volunteer
- THS Track: Eric Haller/Coach, Wesley Pena/Assistant Coach, Beth Green/Assistant Coach, Dan Jones/Volunteer, Ivan Brown/Volunteer, Jeff Brown/Volunteer, Kody Taylor/Volunteer

**FUNDRAISERS**

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

- THS Spiritline

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Approval of Out of State Travel for Ryan Conrad to Cognia Mountain/Pacific IMPACT Conference in Las Vegas, NV 1/12/26 & 1/13/26 (action)
- Approval of Out of State Travel for TMS Boys Basketball to La Plata, NM 12/8/25 (action)
- Discussion/Information Bond Election November 2026 (information)
- Information/Possible Discussion-New/Updated ASBA Policy Advisories 909-914, 915-916, 917-958 & 959 ---**FIRST READING**--(information)

**PA 909-914**

Policy Advisory No. 909	Policy EB	Environmental and Safety Program Discipline, Suspension and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members
Policy Advisory No. 910	Policy GCQF	
Policy Advisory No. 911	Policy IKF	Graduation Requirements Student Health Services and Requirements Medicines/Administering Medicines to Students Reporting Child Abuse/Child Protection
Policy Advisory No. 912	Policy JLC	
Policy Advisory No. 913	Policy JLCD	
Policy Advisory No. 914	Policy JLF	

**PA 915-916**

Policy Advisory No. 915	Policy GDFA	Support Staff Qualifications and Requirements Graduation Requirements ( <i>Additional language for Accommodation Schools Only</i> )
Policy Advisory No. 916	Policy IKF	

**PA 917-958**

Policy Advisory No. 917	Policy EA	Support Services Goals/Priority Objectives
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Policy Advisory No. 918	Regulation EB-R	Environmental and Safety Program
Policy Advisory No. 919	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EBAA	Reporting Hazards/Warning Systems
	<b>DELETED</b> Regulation EBAA-R	Reporting Hazards/Warning Systems
Policy Advisory No. 920	<b>NEW</b> Policy EBAB	Hazardous Materials
	<b>NEW</b> Regulation EBAB-R	Hazardous Materials
Policy Advisory No. 921	Policy EBBB	Accident Reports
	Regulation EBBB-R	Accident Reports
Policy Advisory No. 922	Policy EBC	Emergencies
	<b>NEW</b> Regulation EBC-R	Emergencies: Response Plans and School Closings
Policy Advisory No. 923	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EBCD	Weather – Related and Emergency Closings
	<b>DELETED</b> Regulation EBCD-R	Weather – Related and Emergency Closings
Policy Advisory No. 924	Policy ECA	Security
	Regulation ECA-R	Security
Policy Advisory No. 925	Policy ECAC	Vandalism
	Regulation ECAC-R	Vandalism
Policy Advisory No. 926	Policy ECB	Building and Grounds Maintenance
Policy Advisory No. 927	<b>DELETED</b> Policy ED	Materials and Equipment
Policy Advisory No. 928	Policy EDB	Maintenance and Control of Materials and Equipment
	Regulation EDB-R	Maintenance and Control of Materials and Equipment
Policy Advisory No. 929	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EDBA	Maintenance and Control of Instructional Materials
Policy Advisory No. 930	Policy EDC	Authorized Use of School - Owned Materials and Equipment
Policy Advisory No. 931	Policy EE	Transportation Services
Policy Advisory No. 932	<b>NEW</b> Policy EEA	Student Transportation
	<b>NEW</b> Regulation EEA-R	Student Transportation
Policy Advisory No. 933	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EEAA	Walkers and Riders
Policy Advisory No. 934	Policy EEAE	Bus Safety Program
	Regulation EEAE-R	Bus Safety Program
	Exhibit EEAE-EA	Bus Safety Program
	Exhibit EEAE-EB	Bus Safety Program
Policy Advisory No. 935	Policy EEAEA	Bus Driver Requirements, Training and Responsibilities
	<b>NEW</b> Regulation EEAEA-R	Bus Driver Requirements, Training and Responsibilities
Policy Advisory No. 936	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EEAEA	Drug and Alcohol Testing of Transportation Employees
	<b>DELETED</b> Regulation EEAEA-R	Drug and Alcohol Testing of Transportation Employees
	<b>DELETED</b> Exhibit EEAEA-E	Drug and Alcohol Testing of Transportation Employees
Policy Advisory No. 937	Policy EEAEB	Bus Purchasing and Maintenance
Policy Advisory No. 938	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EEAEBC	Student Conduct on School Buses
Policy Advisory No. 939	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EEAEF	Special Use of Buses
Policy Advisory No. 940	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EEAG	Student Transportation in Private Vehicles
	<b>DELETED</b> Regulation EEAG-R	Student Transportation in Private Vehicles
Policy Advisory No. 941	Policy EEB	Business and Personnel Transportation Services
Policy Advisory No. 942	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EEBD	Business Transportation Records and Reports
Policy Advisory No. 943	Policy EF	Food Services
	Regulation EF-RA	Food Services
	<b>NEW</b> Regulation EF-RB	Food Services
Policy Advisory No. 944	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EFC	Free and Reduced – Price Food Services
	<b>DELETED</b> Regulation EFC-R	Free and Reduced – Price Food Services
Policy Advisory No. 945	<b>NEW</b> Policy EFD	Pricing of and Payment for Food Services
Policy Advisory No. 946	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EFDA	Collection of Money/Food Tickets
Policy Advisory No. 947	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EFE	Competitive Food Sales/Vending Machines
Policy Advisory No. 948	<b>DELETED</b> Policy EG	Office Services
Policy Advisory No. 949	Policy EGAD	Copyright Compliance
Policy Advisory No. 950	Policy EGAE	Mail and Delivery Services
Policy Advisory No. 951	Policy EGAEA	Electronic Mail
	<b>NEW</b> Regulation EGAEA-R	Electronic Mail
Policy Advisory No. 952	Policy EGD	Use of Technology in Office Services
Policy Advisory No. 953	Policy EHB	Data/Records Retention
	Regulation EHB-R	Data/Records Retention
Policy Advisory No. 954	Policy FA	Facilities Development Goals/Priority Objectives
Policy Advisory No. 955	Policy FCB	Retirement of Facilities

Policy Advisory No. 956  
Policy Advisory No. 957  
Policy Advisory No. 958

Policy FEA  
Policy FF  
Policy GBEB

Educational Specifications for Construction  
Naming Facilities  
Staff Conduct

**PA 959**

Policy Advisory No. 959

DJE

Bidding/Purchasing Procedures

- Executive Session (*pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431-03*): Discussion or Consideration of Matters Relating to School Safety Plans or Programs (action)

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

Next regularly scheduled board meeting:

December 11, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.  
District Administrative Center  
3490 West Main Street  
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**ADJOURNMENT (action)**