

MINUTES

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING-THATCHER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, May 13, 2021 5:30 p.m.
District Conference Center, 3490 W. Main St., Thatcher, AZ

President, Dr. Gary Sorensen
Kate McCluskey, Member (absent)

Jenni Bryce, Clerk
Kenny Smith, Member

Debbie Chapman, Clerk
Matt Petersen, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Sorensen at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes of April 8, 2021

Motion by Debbie Chapman to approve both as submitted.
Second by Mrs. Bryce. Voted, passed, unanimous.

Supt. Petersen advised –

- Current enrollment 1775 including 72 remote learners.
- PTO donating shade structure for TES playground.
- Sidewalk near JDPS office being extended.
- K-12 summer school through June 17, 2021.
- Districtwide professional learning May 14th to kick-off and re-analyze year for start-up of next school year.
- Staff recognition luncheon May 14th at 11:30 in HS Commons.
- Recognition of Rotary Teachers of Distinction:
 - JDPS – Ruth Vining
 - TES – Kara Hall
 - TMS – Audra Mack
 - THS – Callie Ruiz

Approval/Ratification Payroll and Expense Vouchers (April 9-May 13, 2021) Budget balance reports (ending April 30, 2021)

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve. Second by Mrs. Bryce. Voted, passed, unanimous.

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

Motion by Debbie Chapman to approve as listed. Second by Mr. Smith. Voted, passed, unanimous.

Classified: Conner Costello (*Hrdw Spec I*)

Certified: Sarah Skemp (*Counselor*): Josylyn Larson (*THS Math*) David David (*THS SS*) Melissa Johns (*3rd Gr*)

Resignations: Millynda Garcia (*TES Sped Ed*) Jennifer Ellsworth (*Nurse's Aide*) Candice Hinton (*TES Sec*)

Transfers: Beth Green (*Title I to Educ Tech Spec*)

Approval JDPS Cafeteria Serving Area Project

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve project. Second by Mrs. Bryce.

Mr. Petersen advised of available space. Graham County Health Dept required to approve area upon completion. Current goal is to feed kindergarten for next, if approved. Voted, passed, unanimous.

Approval THS Pavement Resurfacing Project

Motion by Debbie Chapman to approve. Second by Mrs. Bryce. Voted, passed, unanimous.

Approval AOI (Eagle Online Academy) for 21-22 Academic Year

Motion by Kenny Smith to approve. Second by Dr. Chapman.

Mr. Petersen advised number of personnel working on application process. Upon approval by ADE committee, submission to State Board for approval on May 24th. AOI is school within a school (TUSD). State provides 95% student funding. Administrative recommendation for approval 7-12 grades. Voted, passed, unanimous.

Approval Additional K-12 Counselor – SSP-ESSER Program

Motion by Debbie Chapman to approve. Second by Mrs. Bryce. Voted, passed, unanimous.

Approval Revised Expenditure Budget

Motion by Jenni Bryce to approve. Second by Mr. Smith. Voted, passed, unanimous.

ROLL CALL: Sorensen, aye; Bryce, aye; Chapman, aye; Smith, aye.

Annual Audit Report

Mr. Bowman provided copies of report. Appreciation to staff for successful audit.

Upcoming Events/Calendar Review/Future Agenda Items

Employee Recognition Luncheon	May 14, 2021, 11:30 a.m. THS Commons
Baccalaureate	May 16, 2021, 8:00 p.m. Mickelson Field
TMS Graduation Parade	May 20, 2021, 4:00 p.m.
THS Graduation	May 21, 2021, 8:00 p.m. Mickelson Field
Next regularly scheduled board meeting:	TBD District Administrative Center

Motion by Kenny Smith to adjourn. Second.

President, Dr. Gary Sorensen

Clerk, Jenni Bryce