

**Minutes of the Special Governing Board Meeting
Amphitheater Public Schools
Tuesday, May 26, 2026**

A Special public meeting of the Governing Board of Amphitheater Public Schools was held on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson, AZ 85705 in the Leadership and Professional Development Center.

Governing Board Members Present (*telephonically*)

Ms. Vicki Cox Golder, President
Ms. Matthew A. Kopec, Vice President
Dr. Michael Gemma, Member
Ms. Susan Zibrat, Member

Governing Board Members Absent

Ms. Deanna M. Day, M.Ed., Member

Superintendent's Cabinet Members

Ms. Tassi Call, Associate Superintendent for Elementary Education
Mr. Matthew Munger, Associate Superintendent for Secondary Education
Mr. Scott Little, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. John Hastings, Director of Human Resources
Ms. Elizabeth Jacome, Director of Curriculum & Assessment
Ms. Kristin McGraw, Executive Director of Student Services
Mr. Richard La Nasa, Executive Manager of Operational Support
Ms. Julie Valenzuela, Director of 21st Century Education
Ms. Michelle Valenzuela, Director of Communications

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Cox Golder called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Cox Golder asked Ms. Anderson to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ANNOUNCEMENT OF DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

President Cox Golder announced that the next Regular Governing Board meeting will take place Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 6:00p.m., at the Wetmore Center, 701 W. Wetmore Road, Tucson AZ 85705 in the Leadership & Professional Development Center.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Details of agenda items, supporting documents, and presentations are available in the electronic Board Book by clicking on the hyperlink below.

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President Cox Golder asked if any items needed to be removed for further discussion or comment. There were none.

Vice President Kopec moved for Consent Agenda Items 5. A– M. be approved as presented. Dr. Gemma seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor – 4. President Cox Golder, Vice President Kopec, Dr. Gemma, and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed – 0. Consent Agenda Items 5. A– M. passed.

A. Approval of the Appointment of Administrative Personnel

The Governing Board approved the Appointment of Administrative Personnel as submitted in Exhibit 1.

B. Approval of the Appointment of Non-Administrative Personnel

The Governing Board approved the Appointment of Non-Administrative Personnel as submitted in Exhibit 2.

C. Approval of Personnel Changes

The Governing Board approved Personnel Changes as submitted in Exhibit 3.

D. Approval of Leave(s) of Absence

The Governing Board approved Leave(s) of Absence as submitted in Exhibit 4.

E. Approval of Separation(s) and Termination(s)

The Governing Board approved Separation(s) and Termination(s) as submitted in Exhibit 5.

F. Approval of Stipend for Coaching Volunteers

The Governing Board approved Stipend for Coaching Volunteers as submitted in Exhibit 6.

G. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

The Governing Board approved minutes from the May 12, 2026 Governing Board meeting as submitted in Exhibit 7.

H. Approval of Vouchers Totaling and Not Exceeding Approximately \$2,067,682.81

A copy of vouchers for goods and services received by the Amphitheater Public Schools and recommended for payment has been provided to the Governing Board. The following vouchers were approved as presented and payment authorized as submitted in Exhibit 8.

Voucher #	Amount	Voucher #	Amount	Voucher #	Amount
1307	\$62,900.55	1308	\$583,202.21	1309	\$45,532.06
1310	\$219,639.21	1311	\$9,782.77	1313	\$63,958.40
1314	\$16,503.97	1315	\$160,275.85	1316	\$383,271.03
1317	\$99,856.19	1318	\$268,561.80	1319	\$24,508.39
1320	\$7,568.84	1321	\$122,121.54		

I. Acceptance of Gifts

The Governing Board approved Acceptance of Gifts as submitted in Exhibit 9.

J. Receipt of the March 2026 Report on School Auxiliary and Club Balances

The Governing Board approved Receipt of the March 2026 Report on School Auxiliary and Club Balances as submitted in Exhibit 10.

K. Approval of Parent Support Organization(s) – 2026-2027

The Governing Board approved IRHS Boys Soccer PAC and CDO HS Basketball Booster as submitted in Exhibit 11.

L. Approval of Disposal of Surplus Property via PublicSurplus.com

The Governing Board approved the Disposal of Surplus Property via PublicSurplus.com.

M. Approval of Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreements with Pima County for Pima Early Education Program (PEEP)

The Governing Board approved Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreements with Pima County for Pima County Early Childhood Program (PEEP) as submitted in Exhibit 12.

6. ACTION

A. Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of School Improvement Bonds of the Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10 of Pima County, Arizona

For the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of School Improvement Bonds of the Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10 of Pima County, Arizona see Exhibit 13.

Mr. Little explained that this resolution would be the first of four sales of school improvement bonds that were approved by voters in November of 2024. The reason for the delay was the need to resolve the 90-day letter issued by the Arizona Auditor General's office which has been completed. He also explained that the current interest market represents historically high rates of around 4.5%. Mr. Little stated this is within the scope of what is doable for the District and the average life on these bonds is about eight years because of the higher interest rates.

President Cox Golder asked about the advantage of selling these now as opposed to later.

Mr. Little stated that the District needs to have the money in hand by June 30th because of current year expenses against the bonds.

Ms. Zibrat moved to approve the Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of School Improvement Bonds of the Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10 of Pima County, Arizona. Vice President Kopec seconded the motion. Roll Call vote in favor -4. President Cox Golder -Yes, Vice President Kopec -Yes, Dr. Gemma -Yes, and Ms. Zibrat -Yes. Opposed -0. Action Agenda Item 6.A. passed.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

8. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE BOARD ITEMS

President Cox Golder, Dr. Gemma, and Ms. Zibrat asked for a Study/Action item on the Fees and Facility Rentals issue.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Kopec moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Zibrat seconded the motion. Voice vote in favor -4. President Cox Golder, Vice President Kopec, Dr. Gemma, and Ms. Zibrat. Opposed -0. The meeting adjourned at 5:36pm.

Jen Anderson

Minutes respectfully submitted for Governing Board Approval
Jen Anderson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & Governing Board

May 28, 2026
Date

Vicki Cox Golder, Governing Board President

June 9, 2026
Date