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SONOITA GOVERNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
FY 25/26 Sonoita Elementary School District Expenditure Budget
Tuesday July 1, 2025, 5:00 pm
ELGIN SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

SONOITA GOVERNING REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Tuesday July 1, 2025
Immediately following the public hearing
ELGIN SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

MINUTES

BOARD ATTENDANCE:

Harry Dotson, President
Nancy Webster, Vice President ~ Absent
Dave Naugle, Member
Anthony Fennell, Member
Aaron Thomas, Member ~ Absent

DISTRICT ATTENDANCE:

Dan Erickson, Superintendent
Heidi Gonzales, Business Manager

Opening

- A. Call to Order ~ Harry Dotson called the meeting to order at 5:02pm, immediately following the FY26 Adopted Budget Public Hearing.
- Pledge of Allegiance ~ All in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - Adoption of the Agenda ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to adopt the agenda, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

- B. Approve Minutes

- Regular Meeting Minutes June 3, 2025

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes June 3, 2025, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

Information Items:

~ None

- C. Board Member Activity Report

~ Anthony Fennell is still the leader of the Mustang 4-H Club, he reported that 4-H is having a great year, many students and families participate. Encourages all to visit the Santa Cruz County Fair and Livestock auction to see the projects members and students have been working so hard on.

D. Superintendent Report

- School District Dates of Importance ~ List of School Board Actions
- Projected 25/26 enrollment (110)
- Budget Update ~ June 2024

Action Items

E. Discuss / Action to Approve – FY26 Expenditure Budget for Sonoita Elementary School District #25.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 Expenditure Budget, Dave Naugle 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

F. Discuss / Action to Approve – FY26 Discretionary approval by Superintendent Daniel Erickson of district and school sponsored fundraisers by sanctioned clubs, extra-curricular activities and parent organizations.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 Discretionary approval by Superintendent Daniel Erickson of district and school sponsored fundraisers by sanctioned clubs, extra-curricular activities and parent organizations, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

G. Discuss / Action to Approve – FY26 8th Grade/Student Activities Fundraisers for end of year trip, to include middle school dances, donut sales, walk-a-thons, concessions sales at middle school sports games.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 8th Grade/Student Activities Fundraisers for end of year trip, to include middle school dances, donut sales, walk-a-thons, concessions sales at middle school sports games, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

H. Discuss / Action to Approve – Superintendent Daniel Erickson as qualified evaluator FY26 for Certified and Classified staff according to Policy 4-103 and A.R.S. §15-537.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve Superintendent Daniel Erickson as qualified evaluator FY26 for Certified and Classified staff according to Policy 4-103 and A.R.S. §15-537, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

I. Discuss / Action to Approve – FY26 Stipends.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 Stipends as presented, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

J. Discuss / Action to Approve – FY26 Student Activities/Student Council/8th Grade Advisor ~ Kyndra Ortiz.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 Student Activities/Student Council/8th Grade Advisor ~ Kyndra Ortiz, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

K. Discuss / Action to Approve – Contracting with Rusty Taylor for Grants Management Consultation Services FY25/26.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve contracting with Rusty Taylor for Grants Management Consultation Services FY25/26, Dave Naugle 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

L. Discuss / Action to Approve – Increasing Food Service Meal Costs.

~ The Board discussed the current meal costs and the proposed.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve increasing the Food Service Meal costs, Dave Naugle 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

M. Discuss / Action to Approve – Sonoita Elementary School District #25 IT Responsible Use Policy and Device Self-Insurance Policy effective FY26 start, July 28, 2025.

~ The Board discussed the proposed policy and device self-insurance.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the Sonoita Elementary School District #25 IT Responsible Use Policy and Device Self-Insurance Policy effective FY26 start, July 28, 2025, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

N. Discuss / Action to Approve – The Trust List of Approved Hearing Officers FY26.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the Trust List of Approved Hearing Officers FY26, Dave Naugle 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		

N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

O. Discuss / Action to Approve – 2025 August 1, 2025, Board Retreat Location.

~ The Board discussed possible locations for the retreat.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to hold the 2025 Board Retreat, on August 1, 2025, from 9am to 1pm in the Elgin School Conference Room, Elgin School. Dave Naugle 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

Consent Agenda**

**A Board member may request any item listed under the consent agenda be removed from the consent agenda. If an item is removed from the consent agenda, it will be discussed and voted upon separately immediately following the consent agenda. Specific information regarding the matters being approved under the consent agenda is available in the Board packet and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

- FY25 Expense Vouchers: 1040, 1041, 1042
- FY25 Payroll Vouchers: 25, 26, 27, 28

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Dave Naugle 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			

STUDY ITEMS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Student Achievement

ADJOURNMENT ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:34pm, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 3/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.			
A.F.	X		
D.N.	X		
A.T.			