



Sonoita Elementary School District # 25
Elgin School

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Mary Faley, Superintendent
Melissa Paul, Executive Secretary

SONOITA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
Tuesday October 4, 2022 @ 5:00 PM
CONFERENCE ROOM, ELGIN SCHOOL

MINUTES

BOARD ATTENDANCE:

Ginny Cosby – President
Megan Thomas – Clerk
Anthony Fennell – Member
Harry Dotson – Member
Nancy Webster – Member - Absent

DISTRICT ATTENDANCE:

Mary Faley – Superintendent
Heidi Gonzales – Business Manager

OPENING

- A. Call to Order ~ Ginny Cosby called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance ~ All in attendance stood to recite The Pledge of Allegiance.
 - Adoption of the Agenda

~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to adopt the agenda, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

B. Approve Minutes

- Meeting Minutes September 13, 2022 –
~ Ginny Cosby noted a correction needed in Superintendent’s report. Katherine Prentice’s name is spelled incorrectly. Should be Katherine, not Kathryn. Heidi Gonzales stated the correction will be made. Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve the minutes of September 13, 2022 with the changes noted, Megan Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

INFORMATION ITEMS

C. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

- ~ Patrick Rohde was introduced as Middle School Student of the Month by Mr. Masters.
- ~ Kolter Zerbel was introduced as grades 3 -5 Student of the Month by Ms. Mattus.

~ Hayes Thomas was introduced as grades K – 3 Student of the Month by Mrs. Crawford.

D. BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

~ None

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

~ Enrollment (144)

~ Legal Updates – The ESA Vouchers will be on the November Ballot.

~ Final Mile Project – Expecting completion at the end of October.

~ Family Resource Center – U of A is looking to hire a local person as a Family Resource Officer. Room 14/15 possibly to be remodeled for the Family Resource Center.

~ Property – Realtors are still working on negotiating price.

~ Sports – Both Volleyball and Football teams have Championship games this Wednesday.

~ Fair – Harry Dotson stated the school exhibits were wonderful this year, the theme for the projects was “Appreciating Our Veterans”. About 1000 children participated in School Day at the fair.

~ School Safety Update –

- We will be having a Lockdown and Evacuation drill.
- Campus fencing quotes were much higher than expected, will be talking with School Facilities Oversight Board and continue to look for grant funding to help with the expense.
- Will be having mirrored glass film placed on outer windows.
- Roofs are being evaluated.

~ Volunteers – What do teachers need as an assist from volunteers.

~ ASBA Policy Bridge/The Trust – The Trust has been working on a model policy. We will be looking into the program.

~ Calendar/Events

F. PUBLIC COMMENT Individuals wishing to address the Board must complete a request to address the Board. The purpose of the “Call to the Public” section is for the Governing Board to hear statements from constituents. Persons speaking shall observe the rules of propriety and refrain from slanderous remarks.

- Each speaker is limited to two minutes
- Each speaker must be recognized by the Board President

~ Kerry Newberry – Ginny recognized Kerry Newberry. Mrs. Newberry addressed the Board with concerns of campus accessibility along with her frustrations regarding administration's response to her concerns. Mrs. Newberry asked that the issue be put on the next Board Meeting Agenda.

NOTE: At the conclusion of public comment, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, the Governing Board is prohibited by law from addressing topics, which do not appear on the Agenda.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

G. DISCUSS - NutriStudents Subscription Update.

~ Melissa Paul presented to the Board how the Nutristudent Program has been going. Time spent on menu planning and appropriate nutrition has been greatly reduced. The amount of waste has been significantly less. Ms. Paul is very pleased the program, so far it has been a success.

H. DISCUSS - September 2022 Policy Advisory first reading. Volume 34, Number 3. Policy Advisory Numbers 737 and 738.

~ The Board discussed the Policy Advisory.

ACTION ITEMS

- I. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – Purchasing Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan, a historical novel for Middle School ELA.
~ Jacob Masters presented to the Board what he likes about the Esperanza Rising and why he is recommending it be added to curriculum.
~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve Purchasing Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan, a historical novel for Middle School ELA, Ginny Cosby 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

- J. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – Purchasing Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann, a novel for Middle School ELA.
~ Jacob Masters presented to the Board what he likes about the Killers of the Flower Moon and why he is recommending it be added to curriculum.
~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve purchasing Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann, a novel for Middle School ELA, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

- K. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE –The FY21/22 District Annual Financial Report.
~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve the FY 21/22 District Annual Financial Report, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

- L. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY 21/22 Food Service Annual Financial Report.
~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve the FY 21/22 Food Service Annual Financial Report. Megan Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

- M. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE - FY 21/22 K-3 Reading Annual Financial Report.
~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve the FY 21/22 K–3 Reading Annual Financial Report, Harry Dotson 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	

N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

N. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE - FY 22/23 K-3 Reading Budget.

~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve the FY 21/22 K-3 Reading Budget, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

O. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – July 2022 Policy Advisory second reading. Volume 34, Number 1. Policy Advisory Number 716.

~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to adopt the July 2022 Policy Advisory second reading. Volume 34, Number 1. Policy Advisory Number 716, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

P. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – August 2022 Policy Advisory second reading. Volume 34, Number 2. Policy Advisory Numbers 717 through 736.

~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to adopt August 2022 Policy Advisory second reading. Volume 34, Number 2. Policy Advisory Numbers 717 through 736, Megan Thomas 2nd, motion carried 3/0. Anthony Fennell abstained, hadn't finished reading it.

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

Q. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY 21/22 Classroom Site Fund Narrative Results.

~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve the FY 21/22 Classroom Site Fund Narrative Results, Megan Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

R. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY 22/23 Classroom Site Fund Plan.

~ Item tabled until November Meeting.

*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.

- Expense Vouchers: 1006, 1007
- Payroll Vouchers: 6, 7

~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay
G.C.	X	
H.D.	X	
N.W.		
A.F.	X	
M.T.	X	

STUDY ITEMS

- Elgin School ADA Compliance/Accessibility

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Student Achievement
- Emergency Bus Drivers
- DISCUSS - Elgin School ADA Compliance – November 2022.

ADJOURNMENT ~ Ginny Cosby made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 pm, Harry Dotson 2nd, motion carried 4/0.