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SONOITA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 @ 5:00 PM
ELGIN SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM, ELGIN SCHOOL

MINUTES

BOARD ATTENDANCE:

Harry Dotson, President
Dave Naugle, Member
Anthony Fennell, Member
Aaron Thomas, Member

DISTRICT ATTENDANCE:

Dan Erickson, Superintendent

OPENING

A. Call to Order ~ Harry Dotson called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

- Pledge of Allegiance ~ All in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Adoption of the Agenda ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the agenda, Aaron Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

B. Approve Minutes

- Regular Meeting Minutes, August 5, 2025
- ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes, August 5, 2025, Aaron Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

INFORMATION ITEMS

C. BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

~ Harry Dotson reported on the 2025 ASBA Law Conference that he and Mr. Erickson attended.

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Enrollment (114)
- Students of the Month ~ Caroline Noon, Kindergarten, Callum Blevins, 6th grade.
- Calendar/Events
- Budget Update ~ August 2025
- Student Account/8th Grade Fund Activity ~ August 2025

PUBLIC COMMENT ~ None.

ACTION ITEMS

E. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – IGA with Santa Cruz County Superintendent’s Office for S.H.I.E.L.D. Program.

~ The Board discussed the presented IGA.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the IGA with Santa Cruz County Superintendent’s Office for S.H.I.E.L.D. Program, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

F. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY25 Audit Engagement Letters with DRS CPA, PLLC.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY25 Audit Engagement Letters with DRS CPA, PLLC, Aaron Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

G. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY26 First semester Middle School Treasurers – Waylon Conover and Nexus Wagner.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 First semester Middle School Treasurers – Waylon Conover and Nexus Wagner, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

H. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – Correction to FY25 Volleyball Coaches approved in August.

~ Volleyball – Jessica Carter ~ Head Coach and Kyndra Ortiz ~ Assistant Coach

~ Item should have stated FY25 rather than FY26.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the correction to FY26 Volleyball Coaches approved in August as listed, Aaron Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

I. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY26 Friday Academy Tutors

~ Jaimee Cass

~ Christine Clouse

~ Callie Mattus

~ Kyndra Ortiz

~ Yana Carter

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 Friday Academy Teachers Tutors as presented, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

J. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – 2025 Board Self Evaluation

~The Board discussed.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve not having a 2025 Board Self Evaluation, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

K. DISCUSS – AI Integration

~ The Board discussed. Item will be added to future agenda items.

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.

- Expense Vouchers – 1002, 1003, 1004
- Payroll Vouchers – 4, 5

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Aaron Thomas 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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

STUDY ITEMS

- FY26 Employee Benefit Options

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Student Achievement
- AI

ADJOURNMENT ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:49 pm, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

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