LITTLEFIELD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #9
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
Administrative Services Site
3490 East Rio Virgin Road
Thursday, January 8, 2026
5:00 P.M.
(Doors Open at 4:45 p.m.)

Mission Statement

The Littlefield Unified School District is committed to excellence. Therefore, we are committed to providing opportunities for all students to learn and develop socially, emotionally, and academically. We are committed to providing resources to our students, parents and teachers in an ongoing effort to help students transition from childhood to adulthood.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ROLL CALL:

Mike Fagnan, Board President
Mark Cobb, Board Member
Sean Hogan, Board Member
Karen Johnson, Board Member
Cathy Wright, Board Member

Troy Heaton, Superintendent/Secondary Principal
Darlene McCauley, Interim Elementary Principal
Edward Dickie, Business Manager
Sheree Goessman, Human Resources Director

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

3. Pledge of Allegiance: By invitation of Board President.

AGENDA

4. Consideration of approval of the January 8, 2026 LUSD9 Board Meeting agenda.

SPECIAL ITEMS

5. Election of Governing Board Officers:
   a. Governing Board President.
   b. Governing Board Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, the public may speak to the Governing Board on topics of concern with the public body's jurisdiction, even if the topic is not specifically included on the agenda. The public must state their full name for the record and will be allowed up to three minutes to address the Governing Board. No action will be taken as a result of public comments. The Board expects that citizens who address the board will present concerns regarding the activities in question rather than make personal

attacks upon Board Members, District Personnel or other persons in attendance or absent. In addition, questions or comments on matters that are currently under legal review will not be accepted.

6. Public Comment.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:

7. Edward Dickie, Business Manager
   a. Student Activity Balance.
   b. Food Service Financial.
   c. Budget Update
   d. Quarterly Maintenance Report
   e. Student Count Projections for FY 2026/2027
   f. Other

8. Elementary School
   a. School Update
      i. January 7, 2026 – Bookmobile
      ii. January 28, 2026 – Spelling Bee
   b. Other

9. Troy Heaton, Superintendent/Secondary Principal
   a. School Update.
      i. January 7, 2026 – Book Mobile 7:00 am-8:00 am
      ii. January 15, 2026 – Autobody Club fieldtrip to St. George Army Reserve Center.
      iii. January 27-29, 2026 – AZELLA Testing.
   b. Conferences
   c. Other.

10. Board Reports.
   a. Report by Karen Johnson regarding the Annual ASBA Conference
   b. Other

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Routine Orders of Business. Documentation concerning the matters on the Consent Agenda may be reviewed at the Littlefield Unified School District Office, located at 3490 East Rio Virgin Road, Beaver Dam, Arizona. Any Board Member may request an item be pulled off the agenda for further discussion.

11. Consideration of approval of the December 11, 2025, Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes.

12. Consideration of approval of Vouchers and Stipends:
   a. LUSD9 Payroll Vouchers: 13/2613 and 14/2614.
   b. LUSD9 Payables Vouchers: 2659 and 2660.
   c. Stipends - None
   (Members of the public may view the content of the vouchers 24 hours prior to the board meeting in the district office.)

13. Consideration of approval of the FY 2025/2026 Certified Personnel, Classified Personnel, Substitutes, and Coaching Staff as outlined in the attached list:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Carter, Sarah	Elementary Mental Health Counselor	01/05/2026
Henry, Susan	SPED Aide	01/05/2026

14. Consideration of approval of the following staff resignations, retirements, and terminations:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Newlander, Karen	Substitute Teacher	12/19/2025
Stephens, Lone	Substitute Aide	12/10/2025
Walker, Amanda	Substitute Bus Driver	12/15/2025

15. Consideration of approval of donations received by the District per Policy KCD.
    a. Chipotle Fundraiser - $394.21 for Boys' Basketball.
    b. Cuzi Fundraiser - $130 for Wrestling.
    c. Christy Staton - $400 for the DC Trip.
    d. Darren Hall - $100 for Wrestling.

ACTION ITEMS AND/OR DISCUSSION

16. Discussion and possible action to reconsider the payment of stipends to student teachers, including relevant rules and regulations.

17. Consideration of approval of the Governing Board Meeting Dates and Times for the 2026 Calendar Year.

18. Consideration of approval of Intergovernmental agreement for the following Water Users:
    a. ADOT
    b. Canyonlands
    c. Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District

19. Consideration of approving an increase to classified substitute pay from $15.00 to $15.15 in accordance with the Arizona minimum wage adjustment.

20. Discussion and possible approval of the creation of district-issued email accounts for the Governing Board.

21. Consideration of approval of scheduling a Work Session and suggestion of agenda items.

22. Discussion regarding the Board/Superintendent Communication Protocol.

23. Suggestions for Future Board Meetings.

INFORMATION ITEMS

24. News articles about the schools.

25. Upcoming Governing Board Conferences:

    a. 2026 Board Operation and Leadership Training – February 6, 2026 @ Flagstaff; February 18, 2026 @ Phoenix, and February 27, 2026 @ Tucson.
    b. Webinar – Why Retreats Matter: Strengthening Governance Through Reflection and Planning – April 8, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m.
    c. Webinar – Looking Back, Looking Ahead: Questions, Highlights and What's Next – May 13, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m.

26. School Calendar 2025/2026

27. Basketball Schedules

28. Wrestling Schedule

29. Next Meeting – February 12, 2026

ADJOURNMENT

Members of the public who are disabled and require special assistance or accommodation at the meeting are requested to notify Littlefield Unified School District 9 in writing at 3475 East Rio Virgin Road, Beaver Dam, AZ, 86432 or by calling 347- 5486 twenty-four hours in advance.

THIS NOTICE AND AGENDA HAS BEEN POSTED 24 HOURS BEFORE THE MEETING IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.R.S. § 38-431.02(G) AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

1. *Beaver Dam Post Office, 3288 E. McKnight Rd., Littlefield, AZ 86432.*
2. *Beaver Dam Elementary School, 3436 E. Rio Virgin Rd., Beaver Dam, AZ 86432.*
3. *Littlefield Unified School District, 3475 E. Rio Virgin Rd., Room 205, Beaver Dam, AZ 86432.*
4. *Beaver Dam Jr./Sr. High School, 3475 E. Rio Virgin Rd., Beaver Dam, AZ 86432.*
5. *All Local Facebook Pages.*

The agenda is also available on the Internet at *www.lusd9.com*