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Minutes of Governing Board Regular Study & Voting Session Meeting

Tuesday, December 2, 2025 @ 5:20 pm

Prescott Unified School District Governing Board

A Regular Study & Voting Session Meeting of the Governing Board of Prescott Unified School District was held on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, beginning at 5:20 pm in the Boardroom of the PUSD District Office.

All supporting documents/attachments can be found by visiting our website:

<https://www.prescottschools.com/>

This meeting was live-streamed, and the video recording can be viewed by visiting the following link:

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Board Members present:

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski

Vice President, Jane Robertson

Andy Fraher, Member

Jennifer Bergamini, Member

Brett Mangum, Member

Others present:

Clark Tenney, Superintendent

Kelsey Secor, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

Andy Binder, Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources

Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer

Sarah Torres, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent and Governing Board

Shae Moore, Student Representative

Jaxon Kleinman, Student Representative

1. CALL TO ORDER - Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, called this meeting to order at 5:20 pm.

2. OPENING CEREMONY

2.A. Welcome - Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, welcomed everyone in attendance.

2.B. Pledge of Allegiance - Jaxon Kleinman, Student Representative, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski

3.A. Consider approving the agenda, as presented.

RELEVANT INFORMATION: Board Policy requires the approval of the agenda.

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted Can I get a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Jennifer Bergamini noted, so moved. Andy Fraher, Second.

Stan Goligoski:	Aye
Jane Robertson:	Aye
Andy Fraher:	Aye
Jennifer Bergamini:	Aye
Brett Mangum:	Aye

The motion passed 5-0.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski

4.A. Consider approving the minutes from the Study Session/Book Study & Regular Study and Voting Session Meetings of November 4, 2025, and the 12:15 pm Special Meeting of November 7, 2025, as presented.

RELEVANT INFORMATION: Board policy requires the approval of minutes.

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted Can I get a motion to approve the minutes from the Study Session/Book Study & Regular Study and Voting Session Meetings of November 4, 2025, and the 12:15 pm Special Meeting of November 7, 2025, as presented. Andy Fraher noted, so moved. Jane Robertson noted, second.

Stan Goligoski:	Aye
Jane Robertson:	Aye
Andy Fraher:	Aye
Jennifer Bergamini:	Aye
Brett Mangum:	Aye

The motion passed 5-0.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.A. Bond/Override Consultant Presentation

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Presenter: Paul Ulan, Primary Consultants, LLC, Owner, shared the following presentation with the board and PUSD administration.

[How To Pass A Bond & Override Election](#)

6. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

6.A. Summary of Current Events

6.A.1. Superintendent Tenney shared the following current events:

[December 2, 2025, Superintendent Current Events](#)

6.A.2. Governing Board Members

Board members shared updates on recent activities across the district and expressed appreciation for staff, students, and community engagement. Several members commended the bond and override community meeting, noting the high level of professionalism in the presentations and the strong, diverse community turnout. Members also highlighted the value of early, collaborative involvement as efforts progress.

Board members referenced recent school events, including Veterans Day recognition activities, National Honor Society meetings, and various athletic competitions. The district's success across fall sports—including swim, flag football, badminton, and golf—was noted, along with the start of winter sports such as basketball and wrestling.

Updates included examples of strong community partnerships, such as APS offering to support the installation of poles for the Abia Judd fence project at no cost. Board members also shared personal engagements with district schools, including attending games, banquets, site visits, and participating in preschool activities.

6.A.3. Governing Board Student Representatives

Student representatives Shae Moore & Jaxon Kleinman reported on state competitions, club service projects, and upcoming academic events, such as the “We the People” regional competition for AP Government. They also highlighted participation in elementary school outreach programs promoting healthy decision-making.

6.B. Community Comments shared with the Governing Board (what comments/concerns do Board members hear from the public in general).

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Board members shared recent interactions with community members regarding district initiatives, programming, and academic practices. Several members discussed conversations about the bond and override, noting that these discussions provided opportunities to clarify messaging and engage with community feedback. One member highlighted the challenge of addressing mixed community perceptions but reported generally positive responses and constructive dialogue.

Concerns were raised regarding the new grading system, though only a limited number of individuals expressed dissatisfaction. Board members also received inquiries about the drama department and the absence of a spring musical this year. Leadership confirmed that alternative performance opportunities are being planned, and efforts are being made to communicate these options to families.

Other community feedback was positive, with parents noting the strong behavior and engagement of students at all levels. Members emphasized the supportive school culture, effective discipline practices, and active parental involvement as factors contributing to successful learning environments.

In terms of academic programs, community members inquired about phonics instruction and assessment practices. District Administration indicated that the district is actively training teachers in effective phonics instruction, which has produced successful outcomes. Additionally, there were questions about changes in grading scales, with staff noting that parent-teacher conferences provide critical context for understanding assessment and progress.

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.A. CONSENT AGENDA - All those items listed below may be enacted by one motion and approved as Consent Agenda items with or without discussion. However, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately if a Governing Board member so requests.

The resolutions included in the Consent Agenda have been posted in order to waive the reading of the body of the resolutions.

Consider approving the Consent Agenda as presented. Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted, Are there any consent agenda items to be pulled or highlighted individually. Governing Board member, Jane Robertson, noted, I would like to pull 7.A.2 consider approving the donations as presented.

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted, Can I get a motion to approve the consent agenda minus item 7.A.2. Jennifer Bergamini noted, so moved. Brett Mangum noted, second.

Stan Goligoski: **Aye**

Jane Robertson: **Aye**

Andy Fraher: **Aye**

Jennifer Bergamini: **Aye**

Brett Mangum: **Aye**

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The motion passed 5-0.

7.A.1. Consider approving the certified and classified personnel actions as presented.

RELEVANT INFORMATION:

A copy of the personnel report is attached for review.

Presenter: Andy Binder, Assistant Superintendent/HR Director

[December Board Personnel Report](#)

7.A.2. Consider approving the donations as presented. Governing Board Member Jane Robertson read the list of donations aloud.

RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Board policy requires acceptance by the Governing Board of all donations.

Presenter: Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer

[November 2025 Donations](#)

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted, Can I get a motion to approve the donations as presented. Jane Robertson noted, so moved. Andy Fraher, second.

Stan Goligoski:	Aye
Jane Robertson:	Aye
Andy Fraher:	Aye
Jennifer Bergamini:	Aye
Brett Mangum:	Aye

The motion passed 5-0.

7.A.3. Consider ratifying the vouchers as presented.

RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Arizona Revised Statutes require approval/ratification of all vouchers.

Presenter: Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer

[Vouchers](#)

7.A.4. Consider approving the Student Activities Fund Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for FY26, December, as presented.

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RELEVANT INFORMATION: Please see the attached reports.

Presenter: Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer

[Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for FY26](#) - Visions Report

[Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for FY26](#) - PDF Report

7.B. PUBLIC HEARING - If a member of the public wishes to speak regarding the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Revision #2, they must complete the attached form (BEDH-E) and return it to Sarah Torres, Administrative Assistant to the Governing Board prior to the Public Hearing session of the agenda.

There were no requests to speak at the public hearing.

7.B.1. Consider recessing the regular meeting to hold a Public Hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Revision #2.

7.B.2. Consider adjourning the Public Hearing and reconvening to Regular Session.

7.C. STUDY AND VOTING SESSION - If a member of the public wishes to speak to one of the following voting items, please complete and return exhibit BEDH-E, Request for Public Participation in Governing Board Meeting to Sarah Torres, Administrative Assistant to the Governing Board prior to the study and voting session of the agenda. This document can also be found under the Governing Board tab on the PUSD website: <https://www.prescottschools.com>. For items with the potential to have many speakers, the overall speaking time may be adjusted by the Governing Board. Speakers will be called to speak in the order in which they signed up, first come, first served. Requests to speak that are emailed will also be first come, first served. Email requests can be sent to sarah.torres@prescottschools.com at any time prior to the study and voting session of the agenda.

There were no requests to speak to any of the Study & Voting items on the agenda.

7.C.1. Consider approving the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Revision #2, as presented

RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Pursuant to A.R.S. 15-905(E), if the district exceeded the general budget and or unrestricted capital budget limits by 1% of its General Budget Limit (GBL), the district is required to revise its FY 2026 budget by December 15th to reduce its expenditures to within the calculated budget limits. When school finance does its calculations in October, not all information is known with regard to the previous year's Budget Balance Carryforward. Now that this information is known, we are under the 1% threshold, but per statute, districts must revise based on the calculations in October.

Presenter: Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer

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Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted Can I get a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Revision #2, as presented. Jennifer Bergamini noted, so moved. Brett Mangum, second.

Stan Goligoski:	Aye
Jane Robertson:	Aye
Andy Fraher:	Aye
Jennifer Bergamini:	Aye
Brett Mangum:	Aye

The motion passed 5-0.

7.C.2. Consider approving the 2026 Schedule for Governing Board meeting dates, as presented.

RELEVANT INFORMATION:

The Governing Board should annually approve a schedule for meetings for the following year (see attached 2026 meeting schedule). Pursuant to Governing Board Policy BEDA, a statement shall be conspicuously posted on the District's website specifying where all notices of the Governing Board meetings are posted, including the physical and electronic locations, and give additional public notice as is reasonable and practicable as to all meetings.

Presenter: Clark Tenney, Superintendent

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted, Can I get a motion to approve the 2026 schedule for Governing Board meeting dates, as presented. Andy Fraher noted, so moved. Brett Mangum, second.

Stan Goligoski:	Aye
Jane Robertson:	Aye
Andy Fraher:	Aye
Jennifer Bergamini:	Aye
Brett Mangum:	Aye

The motion passed 5-0.

7.C.3. Consider approving an adjustment to the PUSD 2026-2027 School Year Academic Calendar, as presented.

RELEVANT INFORMATION:

School calendars and any adjustments to those calendars must be approved by the Governing Board per Governing Board Policy.

PUSD is proposing an adjustment to the 2026-2027 school year academic calendar by moving the scheduled professional development day from Monday, November 2nd, to Friday, October 2nd. Currently, the second quarter includes five no-school days and three half days, creating a high number of

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interruptions to instructional time. Shifting the professional development day earlier will help reduce these disruptions and provide teachers with additional time to complete grading, prepare for parent-teacher conferences, and support a smoother transition into the second quarter.

Presenter: Kelsey Secor, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski, noted, Can I get a motion to approve an adjustment to the PUSD 2026-2027 School Year Academic Calendar, as presented. Jane Robertson noted, so moved. Jennifer Bergamini, second.

Stan Goligoski: Aye

Jane Robertson: Aye

Andy Fraher: Aye

Jennifer Bergamini: Aye

Brett Mangum: Aye

The motion passed 5-0.

7.D. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.D.1. Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer, has prepared the School Board Summary Budget Report for your review. Mr. Moore noted, as presented.

[Summary Budget Report](#)

7.D.2. Potential Study Sessions (Trust Model Policy Program)

Presenter: Clark Tenney, Superintendent

The board discussed the upcoming transition from the ASBA Model Policy Program to the Trust Model Policy Program, which was approved about two months ago. Initial concerns about the workload for Sarah, Andy, and Clark were addressed after consulting with Jennifer MacLennan and Lillian Lee, who have supported similar transitions in other districts. They indicated that much of the preparatory work will be handled by the Trust team, reducing staff effort.

For board review, consultants recommended four 1-hour study sessions (January–April) to allow adequate discussion of PUSD-specific policies to be migrated, questions, and potential adjustments.

The sessions would take place before regular board meetings (4:30–5:30 PM) to minimize disruption to schedules. Student Representatives may also attend, and their input is encouraged. The study sessions will be conducted virtually in the Inspiration Lab for ease of technology.

Administrative direction is requested to schedule these sessions starting in January, with consultants joining virtually, and the public is welcome to observe.

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Board members agreed that this schedule will work with their calendars. Sarah Torres will send calendar invites to each Board member, District Administration, and the Trust representatives.

7.D.3. Bond/Override Discussion

Presenters: Clark Tenney, Superintendent & Brian Moore, Chief Financial Officer

The meeting was scheduled to gather community input on possible bond and budget override measures and to ensure that the advisory group reflected a broad range of perspectives—not only individuals inclined to support such measures.

The group consisted primarily of community members, including former PUSD teachers, principals, and long-time community leaders. Governing Board members also participated at the tables.

Superintendent Tenney shared the following data:

November 17 Override/Bond Advisory Committee Feedback

7.D.4. Requests for Future Agenda Items

Presenter: Governing Board President, Stan Goligoski

1. Procuring consultants for bond/override
2. February - LTRS training/Phonics presentation

7.D.5. Meeting Dates:

Regular Study and Voting Session: Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 5:30 pm in the PUSD District Office Boardroom.

Other Dates:

ASBA Annual Conference: December 17–19, 2025. JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge, Phoenix, AZ.

December 22, 2025–January 4, 2026 - PUSD Winter Break.

8. ADJOURNMENT - Hearing no objections, Governing Board President Stan Goligoski adjourned the meeting at 8:02 pm.

Sarah A. Torres, Governing Board Secretary