Hopi Site Council Leadership Team

APPROVED MINUTES

Date: January 16, 2026

23/24 Site Council Board Members: Anne Plenkovich (Principal), Danielle Leivian (Classified), Nann Horton (K/1), Amy Hanlon (2/3), Margo Shein (4/5), Karen Derkach (Specials), Kara Goodrich (PTA President), Angie Kahler (PTA President-Elect), Stacy Reinstein (Parent #1), Shelly Levi (Parent #2), Beverly Harvey (Community)

Absent: Amy Hanlon

Hopi Mission Statement

Our Hopi School Community will provide a safe, inclusive environment with high expectations for all. Inspired learners are empowered to persevere and collaborate to thrive as global citizens in a diverse society.

Team Norms: Start on time, end on time • Active Listening • No side bars • Collaborate with an open mind • Think, speak and act with the best interest of students in mind • Active participation by all members of the group • Agree to disagree–disagree with the concept, idea or practice, not the person • Maintain a healthy humor, keep conversations focused and celebrate student success

Discussion Points	Guiding Questions/Key ideas	Notes
Welcome	Round-table check-in Review of norms	
I- Approval of last meeting minutes	Review and approval of last meeting minutes Motion to approve	Approved Shelly/Kara
II - Principal's Report	Leaderboard update Grade level instructional aide update Staffing update	Leaderboard aligned with district WIGS (wildly important goals). We track/share student goals and progress with the Read-o-meter and Skill-o-meter. Students earned two – PJ/Stuffy days. Even high performing students should be expected to make a year's growth in a year's time and support for those below and above. Hopi PTA graciously approved funding to staff an additional 5-hour kindergarten aid. The position is posted. Staffing update OE is on hold now. Kinder enrollment meeting planned with Menzel and PTA re: Town Hall meeting follow-up. All buildings are staffed to current ratios. An additional section requires FTE + 10% + 1. LRC, PE and Gifted each lost .5 hr.
III - Tax Credit Summary – UPDATE	T700 General Extracurricular: $44,644.15 T702 Character ED: $356.11 T703 After School Programs: $2,903.02 T710 Field Trips: $23.65 T760 Fine Arts: $6,548.88 525-A026 Field Trips Non-Tax Credit: $167.81	

IV - Request for Funding	NTE $1,680 for 1st grade student and chaperone admission to Childsplay on 2/13/26 NTE $400 for two buses for 3 hours NTE $504 for Jump Rope Club for Karen Derkach and Tim Marriott (7 weeks x $30 x 2 teachers + 19.70% tax deducts) NTE $852 for kindergarten student and chaperone admission to the Phoenix Zoo on 3/26/26 NTE $500 for two buses for 4 hours ESTIMATED $500 for Native American Dance Performance on 2/20 – 2 assemblies	All approved Shelly/Kara
V – Announcements/ Open Discussion	Rational for Kinder Instructional Aide position in addition to SUSD-funded Noone-aide position Dr. Menzel's Hopi Staff meeting visit All SUSD buildings will be staffed to teacher/student ratios.	Behavior data shows big learning curves with behavior and communication for Kinders. Students need transition. Covid generation wired differently. Parents helping with centers and reading groups. District is supporting with specialists on campus weekly with behavior plans and lunch bunch groups, works with individual students. Questions about early enrollment, but we have only a handful of 4-year-olds. Dr. Menzel's recent visit and Q&A with staff re: challenging times, broad scope of district vision, repurposing conversations. Discussed studies show class size does not influence learning; governing board comment about class sizes leading to negative outcomes, and post-covid teacher burnout.
VI - Future Discussion Items	Motion to Adjourn	Approved Stacy/Shelly
VII – Next Meeting Date	February 13, 2026 25/26 Hopi Site Council Meetings: 8/15, 9/19, 10/24, 11/21, 12/12, 1/16, 2/13, 3/27, 4/17, 5/8	