

**MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
FOR THE FOWLER SCHOOL DISTRICT #45
1617 SOUTH 67TH AVENUE
PHOENIX, ARIZONA
September 9, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER	The Governing Board meeting was called to order by Ms. Montoya at 4:07 p.m.
OPENING OF MEETING: Roll Call	Ms. Lisa M. Perez, Ms. Francisca Montoya, and Mr. Joe Montoya were present
Others Present	Nora Ulloa, Laura Lozoya, Chad Ostrom, Michelle Berg, Gary Holland, Vinh Hoang, Enoch Davis, Cindy Bradley, Andrea Dale, Jasmine Hyatt Dominguez, Viviana Suarez, Roy Valenzuela, Pattie Campos, Amelia Sanchez, Stephanie Nardi, Melissa France, Robert Altavilla, Christina Quintero, Teresa Gomez, Melynda Martin, Vincent Medina, Angie Krenkel, Tobie Stevens, Jennifer Quirk, Loni Fife, Darren Diehl, Stacie Swartz, Candace Hoff, Crystal Cerda, Makenzie Haffner, Denise Gill, Kendra Johnson, Anthony Michael, Kim Black, Sandra Rivera, Ashley Asevedo, Lisa Padilla, Helen Nance, Caleb Willow, Leesa Chapparo, Isaura Bencomo and Sarah Guenthner
Approve Agenda	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to approve the agenda for September 9, 2025, as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Pledge of Allegiance	Ms. Montoya led the Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of Minutes	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Montoya, for: ● August 12, 2025, regular meeting Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
PRESENTATION: Grants at a Glance Presentation	<i>Jasmine Hyatt Dominguez</i>, Director of Grants, provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2026 grants and what to anticipate moving forward. ● Factors Impacting Grant Awards: Ms. Hyatt Dominguez explained that several factors impact grant awards, including Local Education Agency (FESD) Data, Programmatic Compliance, State and Federal Accountability, Changes to Formulas, and the Availability of Funds. FY26 Grants Overview: ● Entitlement Grants: Preliminary award amounts and changes from FY25 for Title I, II, III, and IV, as well as IDEA Basic and Preschool. ● Competitive Grants: 21st Century, the School Safety Program, mini-grant, and HeadStart and Early HeadStart. ● Pending Grants: Direct Student Services grant and the Clean School Bus Rebate. ● Looking Ahead: Ms. Hyatt Dominguez concluded by sharing key findings and future expectations.

Budget Revisions Presentation

Gary Holland, Director of Finance, presented on two budget revisions: Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Revision #1 and Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Expenditure Budget Revision #4.

FY 2025-2026 Budget Revision #1

Maintenance & Operations (M&O) expenditures were updated for both fiscal years, as required by A.R.S. § 15-901. Mr. Holland provided a summary of the proposed, adopted, and revised budgets.

The key factors influencing the changes were:

- Student enrollment
- Carryforward funds
- Adjustments from the Arizona Department of Education (ADE)

He also detailed the changes in Average Daily Membership (ADM) and the fund budgets for FY 25-26.

FY 2024-2025 Expenditure Budget Revision #4

For this revision, Mr. Holland compared Revision #3 to Revision #4, highlighting the differences between them. He reviewed the sources of additional revenue that were factored into the updated budget.

No questions from the public in regards to the Budget Revisions presented.

COMMENTS/CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Vince Medina, Director of Early Childhood, thanked the governing board for their support of the Head Start (HS) and Early Head Start (EHS) programs. He provided an update on the programs' current status.

He highlighted that Fowler was one of the first districts to have these programs, but now two large non-profit organizations are also establishing EHS programs, serving a total of 12 other school districts.

Mr. Medina invited all Governing Board Members to visit and thanked the members who have previously visited. Mr. Medina presented each Governing Board Member with a card.

Three principals, Robert Altavilla of Fowler Elementary School, Amelia Sanchez of Santa Maria Middle School, and Teresa Gomez of Tuscano Elementary School, praised the support and work of the facilities department under the leadership of Mr. Enoch Davis. Various examples of his responsiveness and attentiveness to campus safety were shared. Administrators commented on his responsiveness and accessibility. In summary, comments indicated that Mr. Davis is quick to respond, makes accommodations as needed for the best interest of the students, and never hesitates to assist. Ms. Sanchez thanked him for his commitment to resolving issues, no matter the circumstances.

Kim Black, a Math Coach at Sun Canyon, and Sandra Rivera highlighted the positive environment at Sun Canyon. They credited their leaders, Ms. Krenkel and Mrs. Stevens, for their ongoing leadership, strong mentorship, and advocacy on behalf of students and teachers. Their continued support has a positive impact on staff morale. Sun Canyon leadership was praised for being role models and valuing staff and their community.

ACTION ITEMS

Recommendation to Approve Budget Revision #4 of the FY25 Budget, Based on A.R.S. 15-915	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
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Recommendation to Approve Expenditure Budget Revision #1 for FY26	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Accept Donations from the Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust for the Current School Year in the Amount of \$9,300	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the Following Administrators to Conduct Certified Evaluations	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Authorize the Superintendent to Issue Mobile Phones Listed	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to Approve the Action Item as presented. <i>Ms. Perez requested to update the policies to the current procedures</i> Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Agreement between Phoenix Conservatory of Music and Fowler School	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Lutheran Social Services and Sunridge Elementary School	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the First Reading of ASBA's Proposed Policy Advisory 915	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the Second Reading of ASBA's Proposed Policy Advisories 909, 910, and 912-914	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Phoenix Experience Corps and Fowler Elementary School District	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya

Recommendation to Approve the List of Extracurricular Activities for the 2025-2026 School Year	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the Annual School Facilities Board Capital Plan for FY26	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the FESD Teacher Evaluation Instrument for the 2025-2026 School Year	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the Revised Job Description for the Position of District HVAC Specialist	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve the Revised Job Description for the Position of District Maintenance Tech II	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Recommendation to Approve Emergency Procurement for Repairs to a Canopy Structure on the Tuscano Elementary Campus	There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to Approve the Action Item as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya

CONSENT ITEMS:

Personnel Changes Summary of Report:	• Thirteen (13) <i>Current Employee</i> Assignments were processed • Sixteen (16) <i>New Hire</i> Assignments were processed • One (1) <i>Pay Change</i> was processed • Fourteen (14) Employees <i>separated</i> from employment • Fifty-Three (53) Supplementals for <i>additional duties or stipends</i> were processed										
Payroll and Expense Vouchers	Payroll vouchers FY26 4_1003, 5_1004 and 6_1005 Expense vouchers FY26 2563, 2564, 2565, 2567, 2604, 2605, 2606, and 2608										
Budget and Expenditure	The Budget and Expenditure Report was provided to the Governing Board for approval. By approving the report monthly, the Board approves any minor changes between programs that the Finance Department may make as needed.										
Student Activities and Fundraising Activities	The Student Activity Reports and their planned Activities through August 2025.										
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	WVM - Mr. Ruben Perez	\$387
	There was a motion made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Ms. Perez, to Approve Consent items 1 through 5 as presented. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya	

E. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Food Service Reports	The Food Services report covers the month of August 2025. All are presented for information purposes only.
Head Start Monthly Report	The Fowler Elementary School District Head Start Monthly Report for August 2025 was presented for information purposes only.

Request for Future Agenda Items None

REPORTS:

Superintendent Ulloa

- *First Quarter Wrap-Up:* Successful completion of the first quarter
- *Elementary Conferences begin*
- *Fall Break* October 6-10.
- *21st Century Centers are now serving students on all elementary campuses, providing before- and after-school student support.*
- *School Safety Officers (SSOs):* We have School Safety Officers on most campuses regularly.
- *Ms. Montoya shared that the Si Se Puede leadership is collaborating with the ACE (Arizona Center for Empowerment) organization to provide ESL classes.*

Governing Board Members

*Ms. Perez reported on a meeting held at Santa Maria Middle School concerning the Wake-Up Club sponsored by the City of Phoenix. The club has been in place for 20 years, teaching students responsibility and strengthening their connection to the community. Historically, the club has organized community clean-ups and provided food bags to community members, encouraging students to get involved in the process.
Sponsorship: The Block Watch group sponsors the Wake-Up Club.*

Mr. Montoya offered thoughts and prayers to the Camacho family, sharing that Frank Camacho was very dear to him.

Ms. Francisca Montoya shared memories of having been interviewed by Mr. Camacho and appearing on his show. She also recalled Frank Camacho as a Channel 3 anchor and mentioned that she had appeared on his program multiple times.

*Ms. Ulloa stated that the Fowler Elementary School District (FESD) has made a contribution to Hospice on behalf of the FESD, one of the organizations designated by the family for tributes to Mr. Frank Camacho.
The Camacho family, through Mr. Camacho, has expressed their deep appreciation for all the support received.*

Adjournment

There was a motion made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Montoya, to adjourn the meeting.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Perez, Ms. Montoya, and Mr. Montoya
Ms. Montoya adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

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