



**PARTNERSHIP SCHOOLS**

# School Governing Board Meeting Agenda 28 April 2020

Notice of Regular Meeting: 9:45 AM  
1477 W. Commerce Ct. Tucson, AZ 85746

## General Matters

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment

The Partnership Schools Governing Board welcomes public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the schools. Comments should be limited to three minutes per individual. At the conclusion of public comment, the Board members may respond to the comments made by the public to the Committee, may ask staff to review a matter, or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. Members of the Committee, however, may not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during public comment unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. Finally, be advised that internal high school(s) and academy processes are available to students and employees for communication.

## Reports:

Superintendents Report  
School Closures  
Enrollment/Budget  
Grants  
Finance  
Infrastructure  
Activities

CEO Report

## Action Items:

Approval of Minutes, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meetings  
Approval School District Governing Board Policy 9.29 Student Concerns, Complaints, and Grievances  
Adoption of "Partnership Schools" as official name of the Pima Prevention Partnership Schools  
Adoption of New Logos for Partnership Schools

## Study Action Items:

## Announcements:

The next meeting is proposed for May , 2020 9:30 AM at COPE Community Services, Inc. 1477 W. Commerce Court, Tucson, AZ 85746

## Adjournment:

**Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Via Zoom Meeting**  
**April 28, 2020**

**Members Present:**

- Khalid Al-Maskari (Via Zoom)
- Joe Higgins (via Zoom)
- Margaret Higgins, Ph.D. (Via Zoom)
- Richard Paige (Via Zoom)

**Members Not Present:**

- None

**Staff Present:**

- Rod Cook, CEO
- Ian Kidd, Superintendent

**Guests Present:**

- Christina Anaya-Silva, COPE

**General Matters:**

**1. Call to Order**

Dr. Higgins called the Partnership Schools Governing Board meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**3. Public Comment**

No public comments were made.

**4. Superintendent's Report**

**a. COVID-19 Update**

As part of the shelter in place order, the PPP Schools (Schools) were ordered to close during Spring Break, and students haven't been able to return to class. Since the PPP Schools prepared in advance of the order, they were able to provide laptops to students with the expectation that they continue their education online in the interim. Over 180 chrome books were distributed to students. Mr. Kidd explained that since PPP offers an accelerated program, it is important for students to continue their education remotely, as the end of Spring Break constitutes a new quarter, and in order to receive a passing grade and/or graduate, they need to submit school work during this time period, otherwise they will not receive credit for the quarter.

With the Schools closed, student participation has gone down significantly. Mr. Kidd has instructed the faculty to send letters to the parents of students who have failed to participate to inform them of their child's progress. Mr. Kidd believes that those who haven't participated/submitted school work online, may still expect a passing grade

or expect to graduate. Mr. Kidd is in the process of reviewing the policies related to incomplete school work to ensure it provides guidance on how to deal with grievances that may arise from this issue. He will also connect with other schools who offer accelerated programs, to learn how they are addressing students' lack of participation during the final quarter of the school year. Mr. Kidd requested that a special meeting of the School Board be scheduled soon, in the event the policy related to non-participation needs to be updated. Mr. Paige requested that this meeting take place as soon as possible so that students and parents have an opportunity to address any concerns prior to summer break.

**Action:** Mr. Paige requested that the Board be provided with two to three policy options related to non-participation that the School Board can adopt. Mr. Kidd will make these policies available prior to the Special School Board meeting scheduled for May 12, 2020.

**b. Enrollment:**

Mr. Kidd reported that recruiting enough students for next school year will be difficult due to the lack of face-to-face contact with students. The Schools are currently working to get an online enrollment process started.

**c. Finance:**

PPP is currently working on the revised FY20 Budgets, and will be working on the proposed budgets for FY21. The Board will be required to approve both budgets. The Financial Audit for FY19 has not been completed.

**d. Infrastructure:**

PPP has used the school closure mandate as an opportunity to get the schools cleared and organized, to be ready for either summer school or next school year.

**e. Activities:**

Still working to secure the location/date for the Spring Performance for the Fine Arts Programs.

**Action Items**

**1. Approval of Minutes, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting:**

The School Board reviewed the minutes from the January 28, and March 13, 2020, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting.

**Motion:** Mr. Higgins moved to accept the meeting minutes from the Partnership Schools Governing Board meetings, which took place on January 28, and March 13. Mr. Paige seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

- Khalid Al-Maskari voted affirmative
- Joe Higgins voted affirmative
- Margaret Higgins voted affirmative
- Richard Paige voted affirmative

The motion was unanimously approved.

**2. Request a motion to approve the revisions to School District Governing Board Policy 9.29 Student Concerns, Complaints, and Grievances.**

Mr. Kidd presented the revised School District Governing Board Policy 9.29, Student Concerns, Complaints, and Grievances. He explained that only one revision was made to this policy, and it was to include language requiring the Schools to submit certain complaints to the Office of Civil Rights. There is currently a process in place for complaints.

**Motion:** Mr. Higgins moved to approve the Policy 9.29, Student Concerns, Complaints, and Grievances as presented. Mr. Al-Maskari seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

- Khalid Al-Maskari voted affirmative
- Joe Higgins voted affirmative
- Margaret Higgins voted affirmative
- Richard Paige voted affirmative

The motion was unanimously approved.

**3. Request a motion to adoption of "Partnership Schools" as official name of the Pima Prevention Partnership Schools.**

Mr. Kidd informed the Board that there are some branding/identity issues when referring to the schools as Pima Prevention Partnership Schools. He would like the Board to adopt "Partnership Schools" as the official name when referring to the PPP schools.

**Motion:** Mr. Paige moved to adopt the name "Partnership Schools" when referring to the Pima Prevention Partnership Schools. Mr. Higgins seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Vote:**

- Khalid Al-Maskari voted affirmative
- Joe Higgins voted affirmative
- Margaret Higgins voted affirmative
- Richard Paige voted affirmative

The motion was unanimously approved.

**4. Request a motion to adopt New Logos for Partnership Schools:**

Mr. Kidd presented the new logos for each school, and the new logo for Partnership Schools. During this meeting, it was determined that no motion is required to move forward with the logos.

**Announcements**

A Special School Board meeting has been scheduled for May 12, 2020. The next Regular School Board meeting will be scheduled for May 26, 2020.

**Adjournment**

**Motion:** Mr. Higgins moved adjourn the School Board meeting at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Al-Maskari seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

- Khalid Al-Maskari voted affirmative
- Joe Higgins voted affirmative
- Margaret Higgins voted affirmative
- Richard Paige voted affirmative

The motion was unanimously approved.