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SONOITA GOVERNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING FOR
 FY25/26 FINAL BUDGET REVISION
 TUESDAY, MAY 5TH, 2026 at 5:00 PM

SONOITA GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING
 TUESDAY, MAY 5th, 2026
 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING BUDGET REVISION HEARING
 ELGIN SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

MINUTES

BOARD ATTENDANCE:

Harry Dotson, President
 Nancy Webster, Vice President
 Anthony Fennell, Member
 Anne Przybyla, Member
 Aaron Thomas, Member ~ Absent

DISTRICT ATTENDANCE:

Daniel Erickson, Superintendent
 Heidi Gonzales, Business Manager

OPENING

- A. Call to Order ~ Harry Dotson called the revised budget hearing and meeting to order at 5:00pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance ~ All in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - Adoption of the Agenda ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the agenda, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

B. Approve Minutes

- Meeting Minutes April 7, 2026

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

INFORMATION ITEMS

C. BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS

~ Anthony Fennell and Anne Przybyla attended the Burger Burn and the Taiko drumming performance. Both agree it was a wonderful event.
 ~ Anne Przybyla attended the last all staff professional development meeting and Jaimee Cass's Paraproformer of the Month award presentation. She will be running for a Seat on the Board this November.

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Students of the Month
- Enrollment (113)
- EESAC Parental Involvement Survey ~ Mr. Erickson reviewed the survey with the Board.
- Calendar/Events ~ Mr. Erickson shared pictures of the adaptive sports and Taiko drumming residencies this past week.
- Budget Update ~ April 2026
- Student Account/8th Grade Fund Activity ~ April 2026

PUBLIC COMMENT

~ None

PRESENTATIONS

- Callie Mattus ~ Student Achievement and Friday Academy ~ Callie Mattus presented data from Friday Academy and NWEA benchmark testing.
- Dan Erickson ~ Khanmigo Update ~ Mr. Ericson reviewed the Khanmigo program and discussed the benefits seen this year.
- Dan Erickson ~ Field Project Update ~ Currently, we have been unsuccessful in finding funding for this project.

ACTION ITEMS

- E. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY26 Final Budget Revision.
 ~ Heidi Gonzales reviewed the revision and key changes from the adopted with the Board.
 ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY26 Final Budget Revision, Nancy Webster 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

- F. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – 2nd Classroom Site Fund Payment and Teacher Performance Pay P. 24.1. May 21, 2026.
 ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the 2nd Classroom Site Fund Payment and Teacher Performance Pay P. 24.1. May 21, 2026, Anne Przybyla 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

- G. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – SESD #25 Internet Safety Policy ~ CIPA Requirement
 ~ The Board reviewed the SESD #25 Internet Safety Policy.
 ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the SESD #25 Internet Safety Policy, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

- H. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – PNC Bank Small Accounts Custodians ~ Daniel Erickson and Heidi Gonzales
 ~ The Board discussed.
 ~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve Daniel Erickson and Heidi Gonzales as the PNC Bank Small Account Custodians, Nancy Webster 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		

N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

- I. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY27 Sole Source providers and/or Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA) as follows:
- a. Aspin/Mohave (Food Service)
 - b. Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Coop. (SSVEC)
 - c. Visions School ERP Pro/Tyler Technologies

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the FY27 Sole Source providers and/or Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA) as listed, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

- J. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – Prepayments of FY27 agreements and renewals as budget allows.

- a. Capital Financial
- b. CLM/Mealtime
- c. Khan Academy ~ Khanmigo
- d. Marazano IE Observation renewal
- e. MediaNet (IEP-Pro)
- f. Patagonia Transportation
- g. NAU ETC Consortium
- h. Synergy Student Attendance System
- i. The Alliance Workman’s Comp
- j. TCI ~ Social Studies Curriculum
- k. The Trust
- l. Tyler Technologies

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the prepayments of FY27 agreements and renewals as the budget allows as listed, Anne Przybyla 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

- K. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – FY25 Superintendent Performance Pay, Final Payment. P.25, June 18, 2026.

~ Harry Doston amended the item to FY26 rather than the incorrect FY25.

~ Harry Dotsn made a motion to approve the FY26 Superintendent Performance Pay, Final Payment. P. 25, June 18, 2026, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

- L. DISCUSS / ACTION TO APPROVE – 2026 Board Retreat date, time and location.

~ The Board discussed dates and times for the retreat. The retreat will be held in the Elgin School Conference room.

~ The Board also discussed topics of interest for the retreat. The Board will review and vote on those topics at the June 2, 2026 meeting.

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to set the date and time for the 2026 Board Retreat on June 15, 2026, at 8:30 am, in the Elgin School Conference Room, Nancy Webster 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

CONSENT AGENDA**

**A Board member may request any item listed under the consent agenda be removed from the consent agenda. If an item is removed from the consent agenda, it will be discussed and voted upon separately immediately following the consent agenda. Specific information regarding the matters being approved under the consent agenda is available in the Board packet and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

- ~ FY27 Physical Therapist, Kimberly Muños
- ~ FY27 Psychological Services, James B. Davis
- ~ FY27 Occupational Therapy Services, Sunny Days Therapy, Sunny De Baun
- ~ Expense Vouchers 1023, 1024, 1025, 1026
- ~ Payroll Vouchers 21, 22

~ Harry Dotson made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		

STUDY ITEMS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Student Achievement
- AI
- Board Retreat Agenda Topics
 - Student Achievement
 - Step Schedules
 - Building a High School
 - New Marquis
 - Board Transition Dec. 26/Jan. 27 ~ Broad term discussion
 - Grant Fund Usage

ADJOURNMENT Harry Dotson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 pm, Anthony Fennell 2nd, motion carried 4/0.

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
H.D.	X		
N.W.	X		
A.F.	X		
A.T.			
A.P.	X		