PARTNERSHIP SCHOOLS

School Governing Board Meeting Agenda January 27, 2026

Notice of Special Meeting: 9:15 AM

1477 W. Commerce Ct. Tucson, AZ 85746

The Boardroom will be open to members of the public at 9:00am or 15 minutes prior to any meeting.

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 Reports:

Enrollment/Recruitment

Academics

Action Items:

- Motion to approve Minutes from the October 14, 2025, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting.

Announcements:

The next regular meeting is proposed for February 24, 2026, 9:15a.m. at COPE Community Services, Inc. 1477 W. Commerce Court, Tucson, AZ 85746.

Adjournment:

Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2026, at COPE Community Services
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Members Present:

- Khalid Al-Maskari (Via Zoom)
- Daniella Hisey (Via Zoom)
- Joe Higgins (Via Zoom)

Staff Present:

- Ian Kidd, Superintendent (Via Zoom)
- Rod Cook, CEO (Via Zoom)

Guests Present:

- Clarissa Jimenez, COPE (Via Zoom)

General Matters:

1. **Call to Order**
   Ms. Hisey called the Partnership Schools Governing Board meeting to order at 9:16 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
   The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Public Comment**
   No public comments were made.

Reports

1. **Superintendent's Report**

   a. **Enrollment/Recruitment**
   Mr. Kidd reported to the Board enrollment for Pima Partnership Academy (PPA) is at 28 students and Pima Partnership High School (PPHS) is at 139 students. In December PPHS had 6 graduates, it is great that there are students graduating but there is also a need to replace them. The school is now looking towards the end of the school year and the May graduation for PPHS. Mr. Kidd also informed the Board the school staff and programs had an end of the year celebration with food and raffle prizes thanks to COPE and Mr. Cook.

   b. **Academics**
   Mr. Kidd reported to the Board that PPHS completed its 5-year Charter review, and it went really well. Mr. Kidd gave a shoutout to Rene and Jayda who work on the website and have a compliance page on the website that made it easier to navigate for the Charter Board.

   Mr. Kidd reported to the Board with the school improvement grant the schools will be getting visits from Arizona Department of Education (ADE) and Cognia for ongoing accreditation. Cognia will do a yearly review and check the progress of what the schools are doing and making sure it is being completed. The school safety grant is coming to end this year and is available for renewal. PPHS will apply for the grant again and will have to have an emergency operations plan to incorporate the local fire departments and emergency services. There will be more money dropped into the school safety grant that you may use the

money for off duty police offers on campus or school counselor, which is the route PPP went with. If the extra money cannot be used on the personnel, then it can be used for safety infrastructure like cameras or security systems. Mr. Kidd informed the Board there is a new camera system that can now integrate with emergency services if an emergency happens the police can tap right into the feed of the school to see what is going on. A few schools in Phoenix have this in place now.

Mr. Higgins stated his schools just bought a cop car and will hire a private security officer and have that officer go to each of the school grounds every day to have a presence there. The security officer will be unarmed since there have been incidents in other states where an armed security officer shot a police officer during a school shooting. Mr. Kidd stated that there was a big discussion at the Charter Board meeting the day before. Whether schools arm teachers and give training to teachers to be armed during school hours but there is a lot of liability when it comes to that so that will not be happening. Mr. Kidd stated they also showed data from a survey of students that stated 30% of them had brought or carried a weapon to the school. It is just so high and being missed. Mr. Kidd reported he is working on an emergency operations plan, the students rights and responsibilities and the school year calendar for the next meeting.

Mr. Kidd reported to the Board that the school improvement focus is the schools' benchmarks, they are not good indicators for the state testing the students must take. The school's population does not do well on the state testing like the ACTs and SATs. The Charter Board wants PPP schools to be more aligned with the state testing.

Mr. Kidd reported to the Board the college and career day will be February 18th. Mr. Kidd also informed the Board they will need to do testing for the online students in Phoenix and if anyone has some office space or knows of a room where PPP could use to do the testing. Mr. Higgins stated in Mesa at one of his schools' locations they have a room and for Mr. Kidd to reach out to Bethany to get it set up.

Ms. Hisey asked if the school safety grant would cover the things Mr. Kidd wants to implement or would he need to look for additional funding. Mr. Kidd stated PPHS would be reapplying for the school safety grant this year to fund the social worker and maybe some cameras.

1. **Motion to approve minutes from the October 14, 2025, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting.**
   The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the October 14, 2025, meeting.

   Motion: Mr. Higgins moved to approve the October 14, 2025, minutes as presented. Mr. Al-Maskari seconded the motion.

   Vote:

   Khalid Al-Maskari: Affirmative
   Daniella Hisey: Affirmative
   Joe Higgins: Affirmative

   The motion was unanimously approved.

Announcements

1. **Next Meeting**
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Adjournment

1. **Motion:** Mr. Higgins moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Al-Maskari seconded the motion.
   The School Board meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.