Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting Minutes
May 26, 2026, at COPE Community Services
1477 W. Commerce Ct. Tucson, AZ 85746

Members Present:

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

Staff Present:

- Ian Kidd, Superintendent (In-person)
- Rod Cook, CEO (In-person)

Guests Present:

- Clarissa Jimenez, COPE (In-person)

General Matters:

1. **Call to Order**
   Ms. Hisey called the Partnership Schools Governing Board meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

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

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

The Board started with the action items first due to limited time for the Board members and then the superintendents report to follow.

1. **Motion to approve minutes from the April 28, 2026, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting.**
   The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the April 28, 2026, meeting.

   Motion: Mr. Higgins moved to approve the April 28, 2026, 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.

Reports

a. **Superintendent's Report**

   a. **Enrollment/Recruitment**

Mr. Kidd reported to the Board that last week the high school had graduation and 8th grade promotion. There were 40 students who graduated from the high school which is great, but now they need to get 40 more students for the next school year. The graduation was at Pima Community College West Campus, and it went really well. The middle School Promotion went good as well and one student even tested into University High School. With the last day of school as last Thursday, teachers cleaned out their classrooms. Some teachers will not be returning next year, one retired and couple other staff have moved and are going to a new school next year. Mr. Kidd informed the Board he will continue with recruitment of staff and students along with retention.

b. Academics

Mr. Kidd reported to the Board that year end finals, exams, graduation and promotion for the schools have been a busy. The last day of school last Thursday and end of year festivities have gone well. Some end of year state testing didn't meet the mark for testing in the middle school. The middle school is in for School Improvement. The middle school also applied for another grant for tutoring that would also help with the school improvement. Mr. Kidd did state that the kids that are in middle school now struggle because they were in elementary during COVID so it is like playing catch up. The scores for 6th through 8th graders are low because of the COVID times. Mr. Higgins did state that it does seem to be a trend for those kids, and them not paying attention during class now.

Mr. Kidd reported to the Board PPHS got the school safety grant which is $76,000 for 3 years. Mr. Higgins congratulated Mr. Kidd on the school safety grant, he stated his schools did not get any of the school safety grants. Mr. Higgins stated his schools will have a lot of conservation since they had counselors and resource officers before and not receiving the school safety grant will change things.

Mr. Kidd reported to the Board the June meeting will have the preliminary budgets to be proposed since the final budget forms are not out yet.

Announcements

1. **Next Meeting**
   The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 23, 2026, at 9:15 a.m. at COPE Community Services, Inc. 1477 W. Commerce Court, Tucson, AZ 85746.

Adjournment

1. **Motion:** Mr. Higgins moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Al-Maskari seconded the motion.
   The School Board meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m.