

BEAVER CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT #26
4810 E. BEAVER CREEK RD.
RIMROCK, AZ 86335
(928) 567-4631
FAX (928) 567-5347
Allie Wheeler, Superintendent



MINUTES
EXECUTIVE SESSION AND
REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025

Board members in attendance:

Lincoln Thomasson
Susi Edgington
Carlos Ramos
Dr. Richard Hector Sr.
Renee Dial

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Lincoln Thomasson.
2. Lincoln Thomasson made the motion to move into executive session pursuant to ARS 38-431.03 to discuss the annual evaluation of the Superintendent. The motion was seconded by Susi Edgington and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

Susi Edgington made the motion to exit executive session. The motion was seconded by Carlos Ramos. and the vote was unanimous. Regular Session reconvened at 6:00 PM. No action is needed.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

1. The Regular Board meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by Lincoln Thomasson.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and was followed by a Moment of Silence.
3. Susi Edgington mad the motion to adopt the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Carlos Ramos and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

4. Board Meeting Minutes (that may need corrections): None to Report

5. Information Only Items

A. Summary of Current Events:

a. Superintendent Update

- i. Superintendent Wheeler gave the Good Things Happening at Beaver Creek School by reviewing the Department Highlights from May. Included in this month's highlights was Mrs. Guth's 4th grade annual play, the Camp Colton field trip for 6th grade, ALL of 3rd grade passed Move On When Reading, plus many more great things!
- ii. Legislative Update – Mrs. Wheeler spoke on the policies that will be reviewed tonight and their effective date falling around September. Prop 123 conversations have halted, ADE is facing a \$200 million shortfall in the FY25 budget due to under-budgeting of ESA funds which is causing districts to only receive 60% of their payment for the month of June, and to date there has been no movement on a FY26 state budget.

b. Governing Board Members

- i. The next meeting and Public Hearing for the FY26 Budget will be July 8, 2025 at 6:00PM. Prior to the regular session, the board will meet for another Executive Session at 5:30PM to discuss Superintendent Contract Negotiations. President Thomasson has request Business Manager Womack be present at this session.
- ii. Possible scheduling of work-study sessions – Mrs. Wheeler has requested that each board member email her with dates/times/days that will work for a group work study session in the coming months.

B. Reports:

Presentation of results from student and staff surveys from the 2025 school year by Superintendent Wheeler.

Mrs. Wheeler provided the board with data from the surveys; results showed students are overall happy with the new House System that was implemented this year, the majority of staff also showed positive feedback. Staff overall felt satisfied/highly satisfied in most questions and wanted additional support in family engagement opportunities.

6. Public Comments:

None to Report.

7. Action Items:

A. Susi Edgington made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Renee Dial. The vote to approve the Consent Agenda was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

B. Specific Items of District Business which require action

a. Approval of the Proposed Budget for FY26.

Mrs. Wheeler and Ms. Womack reminded the Governing Board that the forms that are being presented are preliminary as there is no state budget to date. The numbers used are the same as the final FY25 revision. On July 8, 2025 at the Public Hearing, the exact forms that are being presented will be brought back to the board for approval as required. Once final FY26 forms have been released by the Auditor General they will be brought back to the Governing Board for revision, no later than September 15, 2025.

Susi Edgington. made the motion to approve the Proposed Budget for FY26. The motion was seconded by Dr. Richard Hector Sr. and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

b. Approval to designate Beaver Creek School students in grade level Ungraded Elementary (UE) retroactively to July 1, 2024 and moving forward.

Mrs. Wheeler explained that by approving this designation of UE would result in double funding for kindergarten students who have a qualify B SPED disability. Currently all kindergarten students are funded at .5, this classification would allow those students to be funded at 1. The board asked how many students we currently have; for FY25 we had 5, at this time it looks like we will have 2 for FY26 but students come and go. However, this classification will only be a benefit to the district. Mrs. Wheeler shared the example of one student being funded at \$12,500 at .5 would result in a full \$25,000 at 1; for 5 students that would be an increase from \$62,500 to \$125,000.

Susi Edgington made the motion to approve the designation of Beaver Creek School students in grade level Ungraded Elementary (UE) retroactively to July 1, 2024 and moving forward. The motion was seconded by Carlos Ramos and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

c. Approval of the annual contract with Rise Resource Center.

Rise is a private school for special education students whose needs are beyond the district ability to serve but are still within the district responsibilities, and whose special education team and parents have decided placement is the best benefit to the student. The district has had a partnership with Rise for several years and this is an annual agreement.

Renee Dial stated she was disappointed in Rise Resource's website; their transparency was lacking. She said that Rise is in other states as well. She asked if this was grant funded; Mrs. Wheeler responded that no it is not, that it is funded through our M/O budget but the ADM weight of the student results in funding that is equal to the cost of sending the student. She asked if this is where we send minorities. Mrs. Wheeler responded no, placement is based on their special education classification and what is in the best interest of the student.

President Thomasson reiterated that Rise is in place to provide a service for the district.

Carlos Ramos asked if we transported students. Mrs. Wheeler stated that yes it is the district responsibility to transport students; this may be by our buses/school vehicles or by reimbursing parents for mileage if the district does not have the personnel to transport.

Renee Dial asked how many students; Mrs. Wheeler stated we had 2 this year, however at this time we only know of one returning for FY26.

Carlos Ramos made the motion to approve the annual contract with Rise Resource Center. The motion was seconded by Susi Edgington and the vote was split 4 to 1.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Nay

- d. Approval of MOU with Camp Verde for Algebra 1 class offered at Beaver Creek School.

Mrs. Clarke provides an additional course for qualifying 8th grades students in Algebra 1. The MOU was in place last year, at this time the district is unsure if there will be enough qualifying students to have a class but would like to approve the MOU ahead of the new school year. This collaboration allows 8th grade students to earn their Algebra high school credit while still in middle school.

Susi Edgington made the motion to approve the MOU with Camp Verde for Algebra 1 class. The motion was seconded by Dr. Richard Hector Sr. and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

- e. Approval of removal of Sharon Brooks as Student Activities Treasurer effective June 30, 2025.

Carlos Ramos made the motion to approve the removal of Sharon Brooks as Student Activities Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Susi Edgington and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

- f. Approval of Samantha Bishop as Student Activities Treasure for FY26.
g. Approval of removing Sharon Brooks from all District Bank accounts at National Bank and Chase Bank.
h. Approval of adding Samantha Bishop as additional signer on the District Student Activities Bank account at National Bank.
i. Approval of adding Ori Womack as additional signer on the District Revolving account, County account, and Payroll Sweep account at National Bank.
j. Approval of removal of James Womack from District National Bank Credit Card.

- k. Approval of adding Jacob Wheeler to the District National Bank Credit Card.

As people are transitioning out of positions, the above items must be addressed.

Carlos Ramos had a question in regards to the addition of Jacob Wheeler to the credit card. Mrs. Wheeler explained that the credit card that was previously handled by the Maintenance/Transportation director would now be transitioned to that of the current Transportation director. District credit cards are not kept on the individual whose name is listed; instead they are kept in a locked cabinet in the district building. Mrs. Wheeler continued by explaining the purchase process to the board. If Mr. Wheeler or any other employee needed to use any credit card, they would first need to have a signed credit card authorization on file. Then they submit a requisition to the business office where Ms. Womack reviews and signs, it is also reviewed by Superintendent Wheeler before being passed to Ms. DuFresne for creation of a purchase order and signing out of a credit card on the credit card log. The employee then may make their purchase and turn in a signed receipt to Ms. DuFresne before processing of the payment can occur. The district has the listed internal controls in place for all employees, no matter their position or relationship to anyone within the district. During our financial audit, the auditors also review credit card logs, credit card statements, and the associated purchases.

Renee Dial motioned to approve and condense above items **f-k**. The motion was seconded by Susi Edgington and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

1. Second read and approval of the following policies:

Policy	Legal Foundation	Subject Matter	Notes
Policy 3-403 Technology	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 53 (House Bill 2484)	Restrictions on Student Use of Wireless Communication Devices	
3-403.A Form Technology – Acceptable Student Use Form	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 53 (House Bill 2484)	Restrictions on Student Use of Wireless Communication Devices	
Policy 5-305 Student Code of Conduct	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 53 (House	Restrictions on Student Use of	

	Bill 2484)	Wireless Communication Devices	
Policy 4-204 Mandatory Reporting	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 40 (Senate Bill 1437)	Mandatory Reporting and Protocol for the Investigation of Child Abuse	
4-204.A Procedure – Mandatory Reporting – Child Abuse Reporting	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 40 (Senate Bill 1437)	Mandatory Reporting and Protocol for the Investigation of Child Abuse	
5-401.A Procedure – Police Interview Notification – Student Interviews	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 40 (Senate Bill 1437)	Mandatory Reporting and Protocol for the Investigation of Child Abuse	
Policy 1-401 Parents/Legal Guardians Rights in Education	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 83 (House Bill 2514)	Directory Information and Parent Rights	
Policy 5-303.B Student Records	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 83 (House Bill 2514)	Directory Information and Parent Rights	
5-303.B Procedure – Student Records – Directory Information	2025 Ariz. Sess. Laws 83 (House Bill 2514)	Directory Information and Parent Rights	

Carlos Ramos asked about release of information to police. Mrs. Wheeler answered that this falls under directory/student records. The district would have to have a waiver or specific permissions in place before giving law enforcement student information. Mr. Ramos asked if we had a form in place; yes, it is included in the first of the year forms. Mr. Ramos was concerned with times of need where time is important. Mrs. Wheeler responded that most situations regarding the prior question would be if a student was suspected of a crime, however if a student is a witness it becomes a gray area to which the district would still require parental permission before allowing contact with law enforcement. It is the districts duty to protect student civil liberties when they are in our care.

Renee Dial wanted to state the importance of the parent bill of rights and her support of them.

m. Personnel-Pending Fingerprint clearance and background checks

i. Resignations and Terminations:

(a) Sharon Brooks – Office Manager effective June 30, 2025

ii. Hires (Pending Fingerprint Clearance and Background Checks::

- (a) Sharon Brooks – Office Manager contracted employee through Educational Services, LLC. (ESI) (1GPA Contract: 22-09PV-03 as the vendor will exceed the 20k threshold) beginning in July 2025.
- (b) Karin Ward – Continuing position as consult coach for the district (up to 40 hours per year)

Carlos Ramos asked if the 40 hours was per week or month. Mrs. Wheeler said per year as stated on the agenda.

Mrs. Wheeler let the board know that there are still a few historical projects occurring that Mrs. Ward’s knowledge and expertise are much appreciated to have.

Renee Dial stated that as long as Mrs. Wheeler is following her own leadership style and continuing to grow in her abilities.

Susi Edgington motioned to approve the above personnel items. The motion was seconded by Renee Dial and the vote was unanimous.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

8. Information Items:

- Responses to questions regarding student and staff surveys.
- President Thomasson – Knows it takes time to participate in the house meetings/assemblies. How can the board help? Mrs. Wheeler – we have a good plan in place moving forward to take some off of the teachers.
 - School wide student performance goal update
- Mrs. Wheeler – the original goal was .87 years of growth, we ended up at 1.14 years of growth in 2024-2025. Great job to all the teachers for their hard work and dedication.
 - Responses to questions or comments from May 2025 Highlights
- None to report
 - SFB Update for ongoing projects (SFB projects are state funded and are not coming out of the district budget)
 - Water Filtration – Ms. DuFresne stated that at this time there has been no activity. The team meets tomorrow for the 60% design meeting. The district is hoping for an October date, near fall break, to have the tank drained, sanitized, and repaired before it is filled with the filtered water. President Thomasson asked if the cost of the above is included with the SFB project. Ms. DuFresne stated no, it will come from the M/O budget, however it is something we

budget for every 3-5 years even though it is not a requirement.

- Other
 - 2024-2025 Champions of Education – Congratulations Jeff Clarke!
- Mrs. Wheeler let the board know that this is the 4th year where a Beaver Creek Teacher has been part of the Champions of Education Magazine. President Thomasson was glad to see Coach Clarke presented.
 - Signatures Finalized:
 - Kairos Proposal Acceptance Form and HIPPA Security
 - E-IEP Pro Authority to Transfer Education Records.

9. Request for future Agenda items:

- Carlos Ramos requested items associated with Board Procedures, including having a teacher speak each month on performance, agreeing on agenda items, roll call process and fingerprinting of board members to visit campus. Mrs. Wheeler will reach out to the board for dates where a work-study session can occur before the July meeting to cover such topics. Mr. Ramos is also encouraged to connect with Mrs. Wheeler regarding board campus visiting process, and all members are encouraged to come see the campus in action at anytime.

10. Carlos Ramos made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Susi Edgington. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM with a unanimous vote.

Lincoln Thomasson	Susi Edgington	Carlos Ramos	Dr. Richard Hector Sr.	Renee Dial
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Ori Womack

Lincoln Thomasson

Susi Edgington

Carlos Ramos

Renee Dial

Richard Hector Sr.