

# SANTA CRUZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #28

The Little Red School

School Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 11th, 2025

## Minutes

(Those in attendance are respectfully requested to silence their cell phones/electronic devices)

Pursuant to A.R.S. #38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Governing Board of the Santa Cruz Elementary School District #28 and to the general public that the Board will hold a Regular Board meeting, on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 5:30p.m., in the District Office located at 7 Duquesne Rd, Nogales, AZ. Doors will be opening for the public @ 5:15 P.M.

The Board may hold one or more executive sessions during the meeting pursuant as indicated below. Executive sessions are not open to the public. The Governing Board reserves the right to move into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (3) for legal advice from the attorney for the district, either in person or telephonically, on any agenda item.

The governing Board reserves the right to reschedule, delete, or rearrange items on the agenda, to efficiently conduct its business.

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### A. Call to order:@ 5:30 P.M.

1. Roll call:
- Board President: Daniel Fish
  - Board Clerk: Mr. Robert Noon
  - Board Member: Mr. Ron Fish
  - Board Member: Dr. Carrie Pottinger
  - Board Member: Mrs. Debbie Gonzales
  - Superintendent/Principal: Ms. Romero

### B. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Danny Fish

### C. Call to the Public: NONE

Members of the public wishing to address the Board on education-related matters within the jurisdiction of the Board are required to complete the appropriate "Request to Speak" form and submit the completed form to the Board prior to the meeting. The President will recognize individuals from the public to address the Board. Public comments should be limited to 3 minutes or less in order to continue with the efficiency of the meeting. The Board requests that the public refrain from the use of speech or language that is offensive or inappropriate to the proper conduct of the meeting. At the conclusion of the call to the public, individual members of the Board may only respond to criticism, ask staff to review a matter or ask that a matter be placed on a future agenda. The Board shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action on the current agenda. Members of the audience are also reminded that personal attacks on individuals are discouraged; the Board policy allows complaints about individual employees of the District to be addressed by completion of Policy KEB.

**D. School Board Minutes:**

Discuss/Approve the following Board Minutes:

1. Board Meeting Minutes, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Mr. Fish motioned to approve, Mrs. Debbie Gonzales second

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Dr. Pottinger	x		
Mr. Noon	x		
Mr. R. Fish	x		
Mr. D. Fish	x		
Mrs. D. Gonzales	x		

**E. Reports.** (Notice must be specific as to type of report that will be given, subject matter and whom will be the report)

- I. Congratulations to our 2025 Spelling Winners: Jesus Fuentes and Jaydence Monteverde.
- II. Multi- grade classroom presentation by: Ms. Hernandez, and Mr. and Mrs. Lopez.

Ms. Hernandez said “she implemented new schedule, students making a lot of progress. New schedule is very gratifying, both grades are making a lot of growth.”

Mrs. Lopez said she is teaching both grades at the end of the day for a whole hour for Social Studies and Science, incorporating a writing element, 3rd graders are getting their 4 writing lessons 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are getting the same exposure so they are ready when they go to third grade. Preparing 3<sup>rd</sup> graders for their state tests.”

Mr. Lopez said “his room is controlled chaos, has 33 students in class plus teacher helpers, taking a village to work with class, a lot of grinding time from 8-10, during weekend has to work on prep time and grading, is still a learning process, overwhelming, but work gets done. A lot of effort is being done for this 4-5 group.”

**F. New Business:**

1. Discuss/Approve Agreement for Employee Staffing Services between Santa Cruz Elementary School District #28 and Educational Services, LLC an Arizona limited liability company (“ESI”) For SY 25-26.  
Item tabled

- Discuss/Approve bus sale agreement between RWC group and Santa Cruz Elementary District #28 In the amount of \$30,000 effective as of February 4, 2025.

Mrs. Debbie Gonzales motioned to approve, Dr. Pottinger 2<sup>nd</sup>

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Dr. Pottinger	x		
Mr. Noon	x		
Mr. R. Fish	x		
Mr. D. Fish	x		
Mrs. D. Gonzales	x		

- Discuss/Approve Health wellness Stipend in the amount of \$500.00 for Denisse Melendez for SY 24-25.

Mr. Fish motioned to approve, Mrs. Debbie Gonzales 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Dr. Pottinger	x		
Mr. Noon	x		
Mr. R. Fish	x		
Mr. D. Fish	x		
Mrs. D. Gonzales	x		

- Discuss/Approve proposed district calendar for school year 2025-2026.

Dr. Pottinger motioned to approve proposed district calendar, Mrs. Debbie Gonzales 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Dr. Pottinger	x		
Mr. Noon	x		
Mr. R. Fish	x		
Mr. D. Fish	x		
Mrs. D. Gonzales	x		

## G. Reports:

- Teacher/Staff Report: NONE

2. Superintendent/Principal Report: Ms. Romero reported had HR assembly ,Books are Fun Fundraiser took place, had a Professional Development Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, AZELLA testing taking place for our EL students, progress reports went home on February 5<sup>th</sup>, Middle School Valentines Dance was February 6<sup>th</sup>, County Spelling Bee took place February 7<sup>th</sup>, weekly teacher and classified meetings on Mondays for school operations and efficiency, had 301 PD meeting, teachers attending outside of school PD as established in 301 plans and reporting back, ongoing classroom walk-throughs, K-8 monthly academic meetings for individualized instruction, lots of trainings on new Title IX rulings, immigration and its effects on schools, federal funding changes and executive orders in schools.

a. District Happenings:

b. Enrollment: - 127, ½ kinder = 120

3. Board President's Report: **None**

**H. BUDGET BALANCE SUMMARY:**

**FY 2024-2025**

**February 2025**

**PAYROLL:**

**RATIFY: FY2024-2025**

PP00015 \$50,792.47  
PP00016 \$50,641.16

**EXPENSE**

**RATIFY: FY2024-2025**

E-2514 \$23,783.07  
E-2515 \$29,785.69  
E-2516 \$21,398.41

Mr. Noon motioned to approve, Mrs. Debbie Gonzales 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Dr. Pottinger	x		
Mr. Noon	x		
Mr. R. Fish	x		
Mr. D. Fish	x		
Mrs. D. Gonzales	x		

**J. Next Board Meeting:** **Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025@5:30 P.M.**

**K. Adjournment:** **@6:08 P.M.**

Dr. Pottinger motioned to adjourn, Mrs. Debbie Gonzales 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Dr. Pottinger	x		
Mr. Noon	x		
Mr. R. Fish	x		
Mr. D. Fish	x		
Mrs. D. Gonzales	x		