

**Safford PreK-8 Community School Council**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> April 2026**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Members present: Katherine Kuhn (Principal), Cindy James (Certified), Debra Dietrich (Certified), Elizabeth Glenn (Classified), Mary Torres (Classified), Paula Bachman-Williams (Community), Fred Ronstadt (Community), Patricia Alderete (SCA President)

Members absent/excused: Michelle Simpson (Certified), Marthalene Gonzales (Parent)

Guests: None

1. Call Meeting to Order —Called to order by Fred Ronstadt at 4:26 pm
2. Approval of February minutes
  - i. Moved by Kuhn, second by Alderete, passed without objection.
3. Reports
  - i. Principal's Report
    - a. Staff for the 2026-2027 school year is stable.
    - b. This year:
      1. 1 teacher did not renew their contract
      2. 1 teacher retired.
    - c. 2026-2027 moving to a K-6/MS Model.
    - d. Hired:
      1. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher
      2. 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher
      3. PE teacher
      4. 0.6 band teacher
    - e. Need:
      1. Counselor
    - f. The entire facility will be shut down from May 23 to June 16. No one will be able to access the facility while bond funded improvements occur. Sewer lines, water lines, and other infrastructure will be upgraded, including ADA bathrooms and a shade structure on the Kinder playground.
  - ii. Unallocated Tax Credit Balance Update
    - a. The balance is \$24,506.
  - iii. Status of Approved Allocations
    - a. All the allocations for the year have been expended.
  - iv. Safford Community Association
    - a. This has been the first full year of the SCA. Partners are coming on board, like the Ruckus Room. Armory Park will have after-hours access to the campus for garden and playground use.
    - b. SCA implemented an online store, [Safford Spiritwear](#), that will generate funds for the group.
    - c. Had a successful event with Tucson Lifestyle on the MS basketball courts. The court was painted for a photoshoot and before they changed it back they wanted to know if we wanted a

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hopscotch and caterpillar boards. The board asked that they do those on the ES court.

4. Old Business
  - i. Furniture
    - a. All furniture must be commercial grade and cannot be placed where it would block entrances/exits and/or paths.
    - b. Looking for simple pieces for seating in the entrance area.
  - ii. Pat Ponce
    - a. Need to send the information to the TUSD Governing Board for final approval.
      1. Plan event for the unveiling.
5. New Business
  - i. Election of new members
    - a. Motion to elect "Q" Wilson Jefferson (Community) and Chalino Sanchez (Parent) by Kuhn, second by Dietrich, passed without objection.
6. Requests for Unallocated Tax Credit Funds
  - i. No requests
7. Call to the Audience
  - i. No request to speak
8. Future Agenda Items
  - i. Election of the 2026-2027 Officers
9. Adjournment - 4:48 pm

Next meeting: August 2026, date TBD