



# Havasupai Elementary School Board

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## MINUTES

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### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

DATE: 02-25-25 @ 5pm

**WELCOME** by D. Kaska

#### CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL** 4 present (T. Grounds, D. Kaska, J. Wescogame, E. Manakaja), 1 absent (W. Hastings)

#### PRAYER

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA** - motion by E.M., 2<sup>nd</sup> by T.G., Vote 3 Yes, 1 Abstain, 1 Absent

1. Approval of minutes
2. Principal's Report

**OLD BUSINESS** none

#### NEW BUSINESS

**Planning for graduation – discussion**

**Decision: June 2, 2025, at 1pm with Luncheon for families after**

#### OPEN FORUM

Mr. Crook expressed concern over staffing, retaining teachers, and making sure all students, especially those with special educational needs receiving their support. He shares his dedication to advocate for all children.

Ms. Kaska shared her concerns over government cuts to essential programs and for Indian population and for schools.

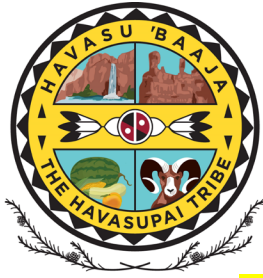
Mr. Manakaja thanked all those in attendance and voiced his advocacy for all students.

Dr. Winder shared that currently all teachers in canyon (Mondol, Bravo, Smith, Holton, Cervantez) have teaching licenses with one transitional teacher in the process of obtaining her Arizona state teaching license.

**Motion by T.G. to end the public meeting for Executive Session. 2<sup>nd</sup> by J.W. Vote: 3 Yay, 1 Abstain, 1 Absent**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**1- Staff vacancies**



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**2- HES staff contract-Postponed due to HR**

**3- HES principal contract with Ms. Braucher-Postponed due to HR**

**4- Norris's resignation approved by school board**

Principal's Report February 2025

## Highlights:

- Arrival of new social work (mental health) contractor (February 9, 2025) who will be renting Mr. Watahomigie's home.
- Saturday School for Math and Reading-Writing – year-round – 10am to noon – families invited
- Three parent training offered and uploaded to [HES Facebook](#) page for community
- Native Language Preservation training for staff and community 1pm on 2-28-2025
- Clubs: Yearbook, Student Council, Looking for basketball coach, music club sponsor, board games club sponsor from community members (must pass BIE background check)
- No updates on return date for Dr. Stinson (assigned to 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> grade) out on FMLA.

Student Enrollment: 69

Due to President Trump's executive order, the selections from the School Board for positions have been rescinded and/or not issued for employment.

Dr. Winder will teach PE until the hiring freeze ends and a job offer can be issued.

## Vacancies

Substitute Teacher, Cook Helper/Clerk, Educational Aide, School Cook, PE/Teacher, Librarian/Teacher, Special Education Teacher, K-1 teacher – **on hold due to President Trump's executive order.**