

MEETING MINUTES
Arizona Western College
District Governing Board Meeting
Public Hearing- 2025-2026 Truth in Taxation
Frances Morris Boardroom, Zoom
June 18, 2025

Board Members Present: Board President Dennis Booth and Brad Sale

Board Member present by phone, Zoom: Board Secretary Olivia Zepeda and Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Board Member Absent: Maria Chavoya

Others Present within Frances Morris Boardroom: (9)

Dr. Daniel Corr, President

Ashley Herrington, Chief of Staff

Bryan Doak, Vice President for Student Services

Czarina Gallegos, Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services

Stuart Gibson, Dean

Dr. Cristina Gordon, Dean

Lori Stofft, Vice President of Advancement and Executive Director of the Foundation

Scott Estes, Chief Information Officer

Kari Wyatt, Executive Assistant

Others Present by Zoom: (15)

Reetika Dhawan

Kimberly Trujillo

Noemi Barraza

Melinda Rico

Miguel Alvarez

Renee Munoz

Angel Madrigal

Jim Larson

Karen Davila

Kari Wyatt

Susanna Zambrano

Campus Life Team: Dr. Nikki Hage, Laura Sandigo,

Cindy Zavala, Arminda Cordero

Community Members Present by Zoom: (0)

Community Members Present in room: (1)

Sisko Stargazer, KAWC Reporter

Call to Order: Board President Dennis Booth called the Public Hearing Meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda for the June 18, 2025, meeting presented for approval.

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Olivia Zepeda and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Public Hearing: 2025-2026 Truth in Taxation

(A.R.S. 15-1461 and 15-1461.01)

Call to the Audience

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Call to the Audience - There was no response to the Call to the Audience

Dr. Corr recognized the Board memo stating no response to the statutory publications of the Truth in Taxation received by the College. Mr. Booth acknowledged the memo.

Czarina Gallegos provided a concise overview of the FY2026 budget planning process. While the preliminary budget initially included a proposed 1.85% property tax increase, the College will not pursue this increase. Through intentional and fiscally conservative planning—anchored in the AWC 2028 Strategic Plan—the college has demonstrated a continued commitment to responsible stewardship of public funds.

Strong and sustained enrollment growth, particularly in Early College and other student-centered initiatives, has further supported the development of a balanced budget without requiring additional tax revenues. This approach reflects AWC's continued focus on growth, efficiency, and strategic partnerships to support students and the broader community.

Adjourn: The meeting matters were complete.

Motion by Brad Sale seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Olivia Zepeda and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

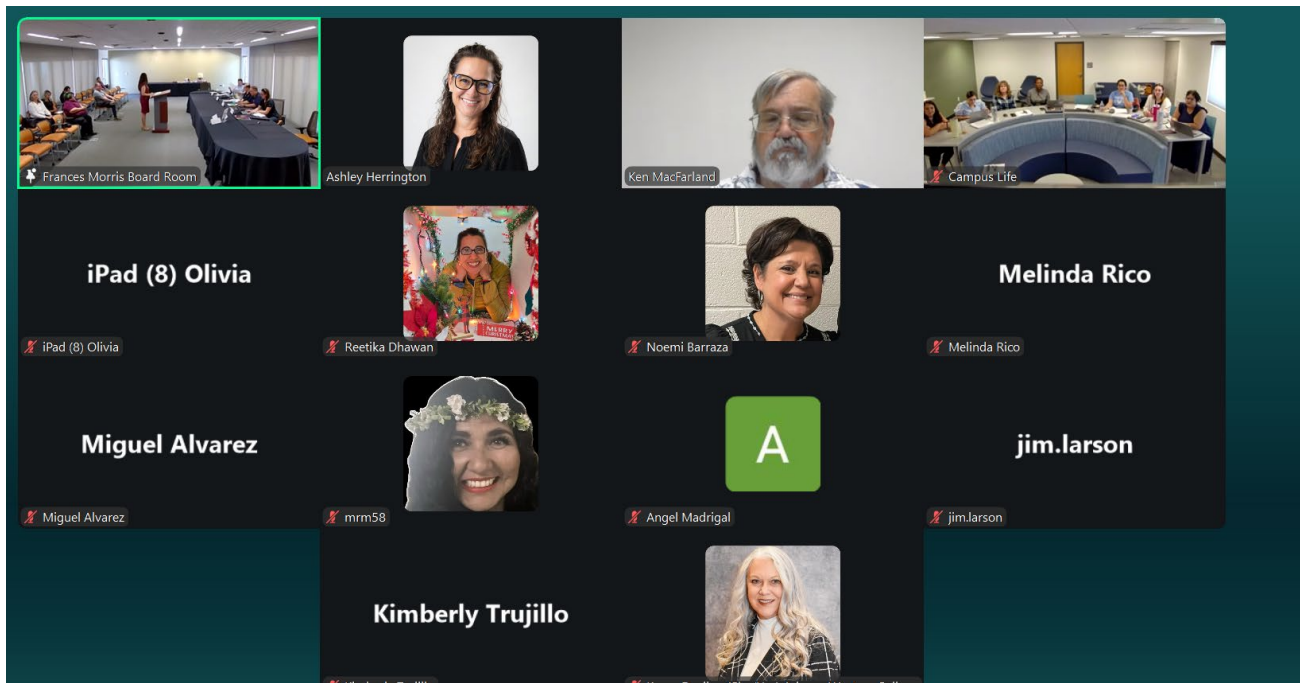
Abstain: None

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ashley B. Herrington".

Ashley B Herrington, Recording Secretary



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Arizona Western College
District Governing Board Meeting
Public Hearing- 2025-2026 College Budget
Frances Morris Boardroom, Zoom
June 18, 2025

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Board Member present by phone, Zoom: Board Secretary Olivia Zepeda, Maria Chavoya and Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Board Member Absent:

Others Present within Frances Morris Boardroom: (10)

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Community Members Present by Zoom: (0)

Community Members Present in room: (1)

Sisko Stargazer, KAWC Reporter

Call to Order: Board President Dennis Booth called the Public Hearing Meeting to order at 12:05 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda for June 18, 2025, meeting presented for approval.

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Public Hearing: Public Hearing: 2025-2026 College Budget

(A.R.S. 15-1461 and 15-1461.01)

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Call to the Audience - There was no response to the Call to the Audience

Dr. Corr recognized the Board memo stating no response to the statutory publications of the FY2026 Proposed Budget were received by the College. Mr. Booth acknowledged the memo.

Adjourn: The meeting matters were complete.

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The meeting adjourned at 12:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Ashley B Herrington, Recording Secretary

MEETING MINUTES
Arizona Western College
District Governing Board Meeting
Special Meeting
Frances Morris Boardroom, Zoom
June 18, 2025

Board Members Present: Board President Dennis Booth and Brad Sale

Board Member present by phone, Zoom: Board Secretary Olivia Zepeda, Maria Chavoya and Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Board Member Absent:

Others Present within Frances Morris Boardroom: (9)

Dr. Daniel Corr, President

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Community Members Present by Zoom: (0)

Community Members Present in room: (1) Sisko Stargazer, KAWC Reporter

Call to Order: Board President Dennis Booth called the Special Meeting to order at 12:07 pm.

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda for June 18, 2025, meeting presented for approval.

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Special Meeting: 2025-2026 College Budgets

(A.R.S. 15-1461 and 15-1461.01)

Summary Comments

Dr. Daniel P. Corr welcomed the Board and confirmed that no public comments have been received for review or consideration by the District Governing Board or the College.

Dr. Corr recognized the final Fiscal Year 2026 Budget priorities, emphasizing its alignment with Arizona Western College's mission as A College of the Community and its ongoing commitment to student success, strategic plan implementation, and fiscal stewardship. The presentation highlighted the balance between advancing institutional priorities—such as workforce readiness, access, and innovation—and addressing federal funding uncertainties, inflationary pressures, and limited state funding.

The College continues to monitor two at-risk federal grants while ensuring personnel stability throughout the current fiscal year. Efforts are underway to comply with federal requirements and seek continued support, although delays from the U.S. Department of Education are anticipated. Dr. Corr underscored key investments in new positions, professional development, and innovation projects that reflect AWC's proactive and student-centered approach.

The FY2025 recap noted significant diligence to the planning of a fiscally conservative budget, supported by the AWC 2028 Strategic Plan, and early success through Early College enrollment growth.

Czarina Gallegos provided a concise overview of the FY2026 budget planning process. While the preliminary budget initially included a proposed 1.85% property tax increase, the College will not pursue this increase. Through intentional and fiscally conservative planning—anchored in the AWC 2028 Strategic Plan—the college has demonstrated a continued commitment to responsible stewardship of public funds.

Strong and sustained enrollment growth, particularly in Early College and other student-centered initiatives, has further supported the development of a balanced budget without requiring additional tax revenues. This approach reflects AWC's continued focus on growth, efficiency, and strategic partnerships to support students and the broader community.

Overall, the FY2026 budget reflects AWC's adaptability, financial discipline, and dedication to serving students.

Adoption of Budget: The budget for the 2025-2026 Proposed Budget was presented for approval.

Motion by Chair Booth to approve the Fiscal Year 2025–2026 Budget, with a request for the revisions, to remove the proposed 1.85% increase to the property tax levy; and, increase tuition revenue by the offset, netting a zero overall change. If approved, the FY2026 Published Budget will be amended accordingly.

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Roll Call Vote to Adopt the 2025-2026 College Budgets:

Chief of Staff, Ashley Herrington, called for the Vote.

Board Member, District 1, Brad Sale – YES

Board Member, District 2, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland – YES

Board President, District 3, Dennis Booth – YES

Board Secretary, District 4, Olivia Zepeda – YES

Board Member, District 5, Maria Chavoya – YES

The motion to adopt the 2025-2026 college budget as presented was carried with a unanimous, 5-0 vote.

Adjourn: The meeting matters were complete.

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The meeting adjourned at 12:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Ashley B Herrington, Recording Secretary



June 18, 2025

Re: 2025- 2026 Budget

Roll Call Vote to Adopt the 2025-2026 College Budget, approve the Fiscal Year 2025–2026 Budget, with a revision to **remove** the proposed 1.85% increase to the property tax levy. The revised budget offsets this change through an increase in projected tuition revenue based on projected enrollment growth.

Chief of Staff, Ashley Herrington, Called for the Vote.

District 1, Board Member, La Paz County Brad Sale Vote: YES

District 2, Board Member, La Paz County Dr. Kenneth MacFarland Vote: YES

District 3, Board Member, Yuma County Dennis Booth Vote: YES

District 4, Board Member, Yuma County Olivia Zepeda Vote: YES

District 5, Board Member, Yuma County Maria Chavoya Vote: YES

The Motion to adopt the 2025-2026 College Budget was presented and carried with a [5-0] vote.

Confirmed and verified by Ashley Herrington

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ashley B. Herrington'.

Ashley B. Herrington

Chief of Staff, Special Assistant to the District Governing Board
Arizona Western College

Attachments:

1. Affidavit for Truth in Taxation, Yuma County
2. Affidavit for Truth in Taxation, La Paz County
3. Other documents as necessary

PUBLIC NOTICE

YUMA/LA PAZ COUNTIES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE)

Notice is hereby given to the residents and taxpayers of the Yuma/La Paz Counties Community College District that the District Governing Board of this District will hold a public meeting for consideration of the following Proposed Budget for the 2025-26 Fiscal Year.

All interested citizens are invited to attend, in person or virtually, the public hearing scheduled to be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. in the Frances Morris Board Room in the College Community Center (3C) on the Arizona Western College campus at 2020 South Avenue 8E, Yuma, Arizona, and conducted through Zoom. For details about how to attend board meetings, visit the College's website at <https://www.azwestern.edu/district-governing-board>. The Special Board Meeting for the purpose of adopting the District's 2025-26 Budget will be held at the same location immediately following the Public Hearing.

Arizona Western College is in compliance with primary tax levy limitation for 2025 assessed valuation estimates. It is the intent of the District to be in full compliance with all applicable provisions of A.R.S. § 42-17051.

There are three ways to submit written comments by June 16, 2025:

Via e-mail: Budget@azwestern.edu

Via fax: (928) 344-7709

Via USPS: AWC, Attn: Budget Public Comment, PO Box 929, Yuma AZ 85366

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BUDGET FY 2025-26

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COUNTY OF YUMA }

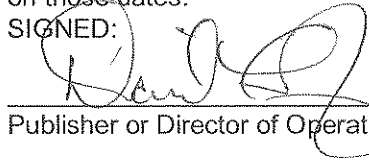
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That (s)he is Publisher or Director of Operations of the Yuma Sun, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Yuma, Yuma County, AZ; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was in the published said newspaper on the following dates:

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That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

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Publisher or Director of Operations

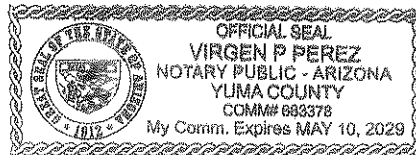
Subscribed to and sworn to me this 11th day of June 2025.



VIRGEN P PEREZ, Notary, Yuma County, AZ

My commission expires: May 10, 2029

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YUMA AZ 85366-0909



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STATE OF ARIZONA }
COUNTY OF YUMA }

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that (s)he is the publisher or director of operations of said paper; that the

TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE

a printed copy of which, as it appeared in said paper, is hereto attached
and made a part of this affidavit, was published in Yuma Sun

For 2 issues; that the date of the first publication of said

TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE

was JUNE 04, 2025 and the date of the last publication

being JUNE 11, 2025 and that the dates when said TRUTH IN

TAXATION HEARING – ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE

was printed and published in said paper were

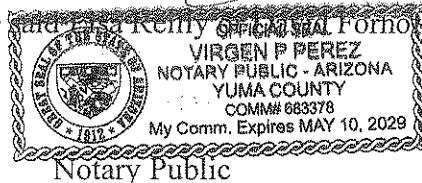
JUNE 04, 11, 2025

Subscribed and sworn to before me, by the said Lisa Reilly or David Fornof

11th day of June, 2025

Virgen P. Perez

My commission expires: May 10, 2029



Affidavit of Proof of Publication

STATE OF ARIZONA

COUNTY OF LA PAZ

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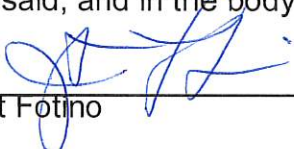
I, **Janet Fotino**, being duly sworn, says that during the publication of the notice, as herein mentioned, she was and now is an Authorized Agent of **The Parker Pioneer**, a one-time week newspaper published on Wednesday of each and every week at the City of Parker, in La Paz County, State of Arizona. That said newspaper was printed and published as aforesaid on the following date, to-wit:

Notice & Budget Summary 2025-2026

Published date:

May 28, 2025
June 11, 2025

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Janet Fotino

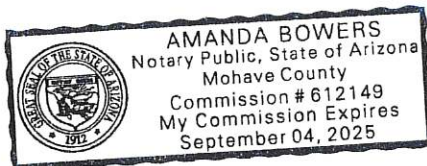
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of June, 2025.

Amanda Bowers

Notary Public

Sept 4 2025

My Commission Expires



MEETING MINUTES
Arizona Western College
District Governing Board Meeting
Regular Meeting 12 pm
Yuma Campus and Via Zoom
June 18, 2025

Board Members Present: Board President Dennis Booth and Brad Sale

Board Member present by phone, Zoom: Board Secretary Olivia Zepeda, Maria Chavoya and Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Board Member Absent:

Others Present within Frances Morris Boardroom: (9)

Dr. Daniel Corr, President

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Lori Stofft, Vice President of Advancement and Executive Director of the Foundation

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Others Present by Zoom: (16)

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Cindy Zavala, Arminda Cordero

Community Members Present by Zoom: (0)

Community Members Present in room: (1) Sisko Stargazer, KAWC Reporter

Call to Order: Board Chair Dennis Booth called the Regular Meeting to order at 12:13 pm.

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda for June 18, 2025, meeting presented for approval.

Motion by Brad Sale seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Approval of Minutes: The Meeting Minutes for May 8, 2025 presented for approval.

Motion by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Call to the Audience: No one approached the call to the audience.

Action Items

Action Item #1 – Consideration to Accept Candidates for Exempt Positions, presented by Katheline Ocampo

Motion by Brad Sale seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The **Board Approved** the Action Item as Presented.

Summary –

- Jasmine Franco, GOALS Project Coordinator
- Wendy Wrenn, Director of Financial Services and Controller

Action Item #2 – Consideration to Approve Curriculum updates, presented by Bryan Doak

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The **Board Approved** the Action Item as Presented.

Summary –

Arizona Western College's Early Childhood Certificate Programs continue to experience strong demand from students and community partners. To align with current national professional standards and to better serve our students, we propose updates to the curriculum that revise the course structure and streamline the number of required classes. These changes are designed to support timely program completion and strengthen workforce readiness. This revision would begin for the Fall 2025 semester.

The College is requesting approval of the Certificates in Early Childhood Education:

- Cert.Faces: Family Childcare Essentials, 16 Credits
- Cert.Intce: Infant and Toddler Care Essentials, 16 Credits
- Cert.Prece: Preschool Care Essentials, 16 Credits
- Cert.Cdap: CDA Credential Prep, 5 credits

Action Item #3 – Consideration to Affirm the Education Foundation Board Representative for Arizona Western College– presented by Lori Stofft

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The **Board Approved** the Action Item as Presented.

Summary –

Mandy Heil has been selected to serve on the Education Foundation Board representing Yuma/La Paz Counties Community College District since FY2023. The college recommends Mandy Heil to continue to serve as the Education Foundation Board Representative for Arizona Western College.

Action Item #4 – Consideration to Renew the Intergovernmental Agreement with Yuma Elementary School District No.1 for a Joint Inclusion Preschool – Presented by Czarina Gallegos

Motion by Brad Sale seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The **Board Approved** the Action Item as Presented.

Summary –

Arizona Western College seeks approval to renew the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Yuma Elementary School District No. 1 (YSD1) for an additional three-year term, extending from June 30, 2025, through June 30, 2028. This agreement supports the continued operation of the joint inclusion preschool program, which provides high-quality educational services to ten preschool aged children with disabilities who reside within the YSD1 boundaries. The program is hosted at the AWC Child Development Learning Lab (CDLL), promoting inclusive learning environments and supporting early childhood education training for AWC students. Upon execution, the terms of the renewed agreement will remain in effect through June 30, 2028.

Action Item #5 – Consideration to Approve Budget to Actuals Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2024– Presented by Czarina Gallegos

Motion by Brad Sale seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The **Board Approved** the Action Item as Presented.

Summary –

The Arizona Auditor General allows districts to reduce their budgeted expenditure for expenditure limitation purposes from budgeted amounts to actual following the closing of the fiscal year and annual audit. This post year-end budget adjustments will reduce budgeted expenditures to reflect actual expenditures for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. This allows the district to carry forward its unused exclusions to future periods.

	CURRENT FUNDS			PLANT FUNDS		Other Funds 2024	Total All Funds 2024
	General Fund 2024	Restricted Fund 2024	Auxiliary Fund 2024	Unexpended Plant Fund 2024	Retirement of Indebtedness 2024		
Adopted Budget	\$ 59,445,116	\$ 50,520,000	\$ 9,076,056	\$ 16,906,078	\$ 5,934,443	\$ -	\$ 141,881,693
Budget Adjustment	(1,718,503)	(9,877,504)	(647,749)	4,166,644	(690,455)	-	(8,767,568)
Revised Budget	57,726,613	40,642,496	8,428,307	21,072,722	5,243,988	-	133,114,125
Actual Expenses	57,726,613	40,642,496	8,428,307	21,072,722	5,243,988	-	133,114,125
Variance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

The Uniform Expenditure Reporting System (UERS) requires districts to report total budgeted expenditures from the final adopted budget on the annual budgeted expenditure limitation report (ABELR). A methodology recommended by the Arizona Auditor General is for the district governing board to approve a specific dollar amount for the revised budget by fund type. As the District's specific dollar

amounts by fund type is available, we request the district governing board's approval the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget adopted June 7, 2023, to the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 audited Actuals.

Action Item #6 – Consideration to Pre-approve Purchases and Repairs – Presented by Czarina Gallegos

Motion by Olivia Zepeda seconded by Dr. MacFarland

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The **Board Approved** the Action Item as Presented.

Summary –

It will be necessary to make purchases between the June and August Board Meetings in preparation for fiscal year 2026 for normal operations and the start of the Fall 2025 semester. All purchases will only be made with President's approval. At this time, the administration doesn't know the exact amount it may commit to but asks the approval to make a purchase greater than \$250,000 during the time before the August meeting, if needed.

Purchases exceeding \$250,000 require District Governing Board approval per the College's Purchasing Procedure (Procedure 337.1).

Action Item #7 – Consideration to Approve Vouchers (April 2025, May 2025) – Presented by Czarina Gallegos

Motion by Brad Sale, seconded by Olivia Zepeda

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Maria Chavoya, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

Nay: None

Abstain: None

The **Board Approved** the Action Item as Presented.

Summary –

Executive Summary, April 2025

Fiscal Status Overview:

- **Monthly Operating Cash Balance:** \$9,502,604 April 30, 2025, compared to \$8,578,576 on April 30, 2024.
- **Current Strength:** For the month ended April 30, 2025, expenditures decreased by 12.9% compared to prior fiscal year.
- **Revenues vs. Expenses:** The District received 82% of anticipated revenues, with 78% of the budgeted expenditures spent.

Fiscal Revenue Analysis:

- **Year-over-Year Comparison Revenues:**
 - **FY24/25 Actual Revenues:** \$47,103,616
 - **FY23/24 Actual Revenues:** \$48,387,769
 - **Percentage Change:** A decrease of approximately 2.7% in actual revenues.
- **Year-over-Year Comparison Expenditures:**
 - **FY24/25 Actual Expenditures:** \$54,744,786
 - **FY23/24 Actual Expenditures:** \$62,834,001
 - **Percentage Change:** A decrease of approximately 12.9% in actual expenditures.

Enrollment Status:

- **Current Enrollment:** 71,363 credit hours.

- **Comparison with Previous Year:** 66,583 credit hours

Early College Highlights:

- **Current Enrollment:** 15,435 total credit hours, 9,812 are dual enrollment.
- **Comparison with Previous Year:** 13,987 total credit hours, 8,517 are dual enrollment.

Detailed Financial Data & Key Observations:

- **Fiscal Strength:** Despite a decrease in revenues for the current month, the district remains in a good fiscal position, with strong financial health supported by consistent growth in enrollment, as well as prudent fiscal management and strategic planning.
- **Revenue Growth:** There is a notable increase in tuition revenue due to increased enrollment.
- **Enrollment Expansion:** The consistent growth in dual enrollment signifies a positive trend in student participation, providing significant savings to students and fostering community engagement.

Executive Summary, May 2025

Fiscal Status Overview:

- **Monthly Operating Cash Balance:** \$7,419,237 May 31, 2025, compared to \$7,631,019 on May 31, 2024.
- **Current Strength:** For the month ended May 31, 2025, expenditures decreased by 12.3% compared to prior fiscal year.
- **Revenues vs. Expenses:** The District received 89% of anticipated revenues, with 85% of the budgeted expenditures spent.

Fiscal Revenue Analysis:

- **Year-over-Year Comparison Revenues:**
 - **FY24/25 Actual Revenues:** \$50,981,976
 - **FY23/24 Actual Revenues:** \$56,589,831
 - **Percentage Change:** A decrease of approximately 9.9% in actual revenues.
- **Year-over-Year Comparison Expenditures:**
 - **FY24/25 Actual Expenditures:** \$59,371,267
 - **FY23/24 Actual Expenditures:** \$67,710,969
 - **Percentage Change:** A decrease of approximately 12.3% in actual expenditures.

Enrollment Status:

- **Current Enrollment:** 72,015 credit hours.
- **Comparison with Previous Year:** 66,589 credit hours

Early College Highlights:

- **Current Enrollment:** 15,435 total credit hours, 9,840 are dual enrollment.
- **Comparison with Previous Year:** 13,991 total credit hours, 8,517 are dual enrollment.

Detailed Financial Data & Key Observations:

- **Fiscal Strength:** Despite a decrease in revenues for the current month, the district remains in a good fiscal position, with strong financial health supported by consistent growth in enrollment, as well as prudent fiscal management and strategic planning.
- **Revenues:** There is a notable decrease in revenues when compared to prior fiscal year. This is due to the timing of property tax receipts. Property taxes are usually received in May, however this year property tax revenues were received in June.
- **Enrollment Expansion:** The growth in dual enrollment signifies a positive trend in student participation, providing significant savings to students and fostering community engagement.

President's Report, Strategic Plan update

Board Meeting Minutes Summary – June 2025 Strategic Plan Update

Dr. Corr and Ashley Herrington led an update organized around the plan's three core pillars: Excelencia, Access, and Disruption. Key progress included foundational steps for the newly established Center for the

Future, with job descriptions for a Dean of Innovation and Director of Emerging Technology approved, and AI integration goals clearly set. These include AI training for 75% of faculty/staff, 50% of students gaining AI experience, and all departments implementing at least one future-facing tool.

Updates under Access and Disruption included progress toward a centralized, data-informed scheduling model, increasing fill rates and face-to-face offerings, as well as advancing new outreach models for Early College, OTA (returning students), and incarcerated learners. The Entrepreneurial College continues to scale with active advisory engagement and experiential learning goals. Under the Excelencia pillar, the college is developing a cultural transformation framework for all students rooted in belonging, equity, and multilingual advantage, with initiatives like targeted data analysis, professional development, and a student advisory group in progress.

>> Ms. Chavoya left at 1pm

Implementation is coordinated through a streamlined, fast-moving approach led by Ashley Herrington, with dedicated objective teams and quarterly updates guiding accountability and momentum. The next update is scheduled for September 2025.

Closing Items:

Good of the Order by Dr. Daniel Corr

In his closing remarks, Dr. Corr reflected on the current budget landscape, noting the uncertainty as the College awaits final decisions on the state-led legislative budget. He encouraged continued engagement through the upcoming Fall Legislative Town Halls scheduled for Tuesday, September 16 in Parker and Tuesday, September 23 in Yuma.

He proudly recognized Men's Soccer Coach Kenny Dale for receiving the NJCAA Award, a testament to the excellence fostered throughout the College's athletic programs.

Dr. Corr also highlighted the continued momentum of AWC's Early College program, sharing that students earned 15,435 credit hours last semester alone. This accomplishment has contributed significantly to the College's sustained enrollment growth, which aligns with the 10% growth target outlined in the AWC 2028 Strategic Plan.

Looking back to May, he recognized the milestone gathering on May 16 Commencement—a joyful evening of family, community, and academic achievement. With continued support, AWC is pleased to announce the addition of a Winter Commencement in December to further honor student completion milestones.

Dr. Corr expressed deep gratitude to the District Governing Board for their ongoing trust and partnership. He reaffirmed the College's steadfast commitment to student success, fiscal responsibility, and innovation amid a dynamic higher education environment.

Next Meeting: The next scheduled meeting will be August 19, 2025, with the next Regular meeting conducted both in-person and via Zoom and at the Yuma Campus.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Brad Sale, seconded by Dr. Kenneth MacFarland.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Brad Sale, Dr. Kenneth MacFarland, Olivia Zepeda, and Dennis Booth

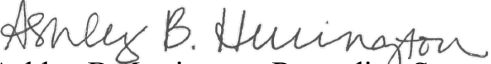
Nay: None

Abstain: None

The Board **Approved** the next meeting date and final matters of the meeting.
The meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Adjourn: The meeting matters were complete.

Respectfully submitted,


Ashley B Herrington, Recording Secretary

Attendance at 12:14 pm

