A. Meeting Opening
   Call to Order
Mrs. Helm called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM.

Roll Call
Board Members present: Michelle Helm (President); Berdetta Hodge (Vice President), Andres Barraza, Brian Garcia, and Sandy Lowe.  Absent: None.

Adoption of the Agenda
On motion of Mrs. Lowe, seconded by Ms. Hodge and passed 5-0 (Ms. Helm: aye; Ms. Hodge: aye; Mr. Barraza: aye; Mr. Garcia: aye; Mrs. Lowe: aye), the Governing Board approved the meeting agenda.

Election of 2019 Governing Board Officers
Mrs. Helm called for nominations for Governing Board President.  Mrs. Helm nominated Ms. Hodge for President, seconded by Mrs. Lowe.  There were no other nominations.  The motion passed 5-0 (Ms. Hodge: aye; Mr. Garcia: aye; Mr. Barraza: aye; Mrs. Helm: aye; Mrs. Lowe: aye).

Ms. Hodge called for nominations for Governing Board Vice President.  Mrs. Helm nominated Mrs. Lowe for Vice President, seconded by Ms. Hodge.  Mr. Barraza nominated Mr. Garcia for Vice President, seconded by Ms. Hodge.  Mrs. Lowe and Mr. Garcia said why they want to serve as Vice President.  Mrs. Lowe and Mr. Barraza said why they made their respective nominations of Mrs. Lowe and Mr. Garcia for Vice President.

Ms. Hodge called Board members by name and asked each to state for which nominee they were voting.  Mr. Barraza: Mr. Garcia; Mr. Garcia: Mr. Garcia; Mrs. Lowe: Mrs. Lowe; Mrs. Helm: Mrs. Lowe; Ms. Hodge: Mr. Garcia.  Mr. Garcia received three votes; Mrs. Lowe received two votes.

Ms. Hodge and Mr. Garcia will be the 2019 Governing Board President and Vice President respectively.

B. Special Study Session
   Dr. Mendivil, Mrs. Hilgers and Dr. Gonzalez presented Examining Our Traditional Grading Practices.  Mrs. Hilgers and Dr. Gonzalez led the Governing Board in a discussion of how current grading practices reflect historical perspectives of grading.  Mrs. Hilgers and Dr. Gonzalez led Principals in a discussion of the components that determine grades and the challenges educators face to ensure grades reflect student learning.
   Dr. Mendivil, Mrs. Hilgers, and Dr. Gonzalez answered Governing Board members’ questions.
   Part I of the Special Study Session ended at 4:30 PM.

C. Ceremonial Swearing in of Governing Board Members
   The Honorable Sean Bowie, Arizona State Legislative District 18 Senator, administered the ceremonial oath of office to Andres Barraza and Brian Garcia.
   The Special Study Session recessed from 4:35 to 5:07 PM.

D. Special Study Session (cont.)
   Dr. Mendivil and Dr. Wilson presented Standards-Based Grading Practices and showed a video from Tom Schimmer’s book Grading from the Inside Out.  Dr. Wilson divided the Governing Board, Executive Team, and Principals into three groups.  From 5:26 to 5:46 PM each group discussed differences between traditional grading and standards-based grading.
Desert Vista teachers Jennifer Summers and Katrina Montoya told the Board about what they are doing to change from traditional classroom grading practices to standards-based practices and answered Board members’ questions.

E. Meeting Closing

Adjournment – On motion of Mrs. Helm, seconded by Mr. Barraza and passed 5-0 (Ms. Hodge: aye; Mr. Garcia: aye; Mr. Barraza: aye; Mrs. Helm: aye; Mrs. Lowe: aye) the meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

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Berdetta Hodge, President  Brian Garcia, Vice President

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