

**GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY
SCHOOL BOARD COALITION BY-LAWS**

The Gila River Indian Community Council (Community Council) approved and recognized the Gila River Indian Community School Board Coalition as a tribal entity on January 5, 2005, through Resolution GR-12-05.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Gila River Indian Community School Board Coalition is to work in conjunction with the Gila River Indian Community, Community Council, Tribal Education Department (TED) and the Education Standing Committee to unify efforts through communication and networking to ensure culturally relevant, quality education for all children.

ARTICLE I– NAME

The name of this organization shall be "Gila River Indian Community School Board Coalition (Coalition)".

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The purpose of the Coalition is to promote communication and networking among schools within the Gila River Indian Community and to promote and protect students' educational future by ensuring that said schools provide quality, culturally relevant educational services.

ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING

Membership in the Coalition shall include all School Board members from any school located within the boundaries of the Gila River Indian Community (Community) that is recognized by the Community through the Tribal Allocation Policy.

For voting on any Coalition matter, each school present at a regular or special meeting will be allowed one vote, based on a consensus of the school board members present for any particular school.

ARTICLE IV-ELECTION AND TERMS

All election of officers will be held at a regular scheduled GRICSBC meeting in January or a special meeting called for that purpose. The term of the office shall commence upon election and shall continue until the following year's election. Upon expiration of the term of office, any school board member elected or appointed to that office may seek a consecutive term.

Section 1 – Removals and Resignations

Any Officer of the Coalition may submit a letter of resignation at any time. The Coalition shall vote to accept the letter of resignation. No longer serving as a school board member shall be considered resignation from the coalition.

Officers may be removed by majority vote of members present for the following reasons:

1. At the discretion of the Coalition when an officer has been absent from three consecutive meetings. They shall be notified in writing by the Secretary or designated officer unless having a valid excuse.
2. Misuse of authority or their position or lack of duties as an officer.

Upon removal or resignation of any officer position, the Chairperson shall declare a vacancy and submit a letter to the Secretary to place the vacancy on the agenda for election at the next regularly scheduled Coalition meeting. Any individual appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve the remainder of the original term.

Section 2 – Chairperson

The Chairperson of the Coalition shall be elected from the current members by majority vote present.

The Chairperson shall be the spokesperson for the Coalition and shall provide written reports bi-annually, or more frequently if needed, to the Education Standing Committee and the Community Council to provide updates on any activities or projects currently underway or proposed.

Section 3 - Vice-Chairperson

The Vice-Chairperson for the Coalition shall be elected from the current members by majority vote present.

The Vice-Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson in carrying out the duties of that office and act in the Chairperson's behalf in their absence.

Section 4 – Secretary

The Secretary shall be elected from the current members by majority vote present. It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary to record minutes at all meetings and to keep all other documentation deemed necessary to the Coalition and including all other correspondence pertaining to the Coalition and perform all other duties assigned. The Secretary shall act as Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

The Secretary shall submit copies of all Coalition documents to the TED for record keeping.

ARTICLE V-MEETINGS

Notices of regular meeting, place, time and date shall be publicly posted by the TED at least three calendar days prior to the meeting, as well as provided by the TED to the member schools at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting. Meetings will take place the third Saturday of each calendar month, or other date as agreed upon by the majority of the member schools present at a meeting.

Section 1 – Quorum

A quorum shall constitute a majority of three schools represented at each meeting. (No School Board member shall represent more than one school to determine a quorum).

Section 2 – Special Meetings

A special meeting may be called by the Chairperson or any of the Member Schools, if and when deemed necessary. Notices of the meeting, place, time and date shall be publicly posted by TED at least three calendar days prior to the meeting, as well as provided by the TED to the member schools at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting, or as soon as practicable.

Section 3 – Agenda

The agenda shall consist of:

- a. Call to Order
- b. Invocation
- c. Roll Call
- d. Approval of Agenda
- e. Approval of Minutes
- f. Reports/Presentations
- g. Unfinished Business
- h. New Business
1. Announcement
- J. Adjournment

Section 4– Voting

Each individual Coalition Member School present shall have only one vote. The Chairperson shall vote only in the event of a tie. Should an individual Member School abstain from voting on any item, an abstention shall be recorded.

All votes are public. All votes are final and will be recorded by the Secretary.

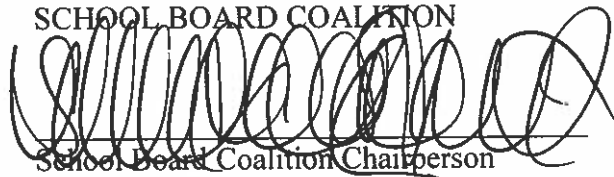
ARTICLE VI-BY-LAWS

The by-laws for the Coalition shall govern all conduct and business undertaken by the Coalition. The Coalition shall have the authority to revise and approve by-laws. These by-laws shall supersede all other related by-laws, rules and regulations set forth in documents issued by the Coalition. The by-laws shall be reviewed annually upon newly elected officers.

CERTIFICATION

THE FOREGOING GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD COALITION BY-LAWS APPROVED THIS 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020 AT A GRIC SCHOOL BOARD COALITION MEETING HELD AT ST. PETER INDIAN MISSION SCHOOL IN WHICH A QUORUM OF 5 WERE PRESENT BY A VOTE OF: 5 FOR, 0 ABSTAIN, 1 ABSENT.

GILARIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY
SCHOOL BOARD COALITION



School Board Coalition Chairperson

2.20.20
Date

ATTEST:

School Board Coalition Secretary