STUDENT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (STAC) MEETING AGENDA

August 13, 2025, 10:00 am (MST)
Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board
2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, Arizona 85034

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  - **Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board**
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THE STAC COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND MAY MAKE A RECOMMENDATION AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

Student Transportation Advisory Council Members

Mr. Nicolas Franklin, Transportation Administrator's Member, Chair
AZDPS Captain Vern Havens, Department of Public Safety Member
Ms. Ashley Berg, State Board for Charter School Member
Mr. Thomas Hartman, Electric Vehicle Expert
Ms. Kela Powers, Charter School Member with Student Count Greater than 600
Mr. Jason Nelson, Public Member
Mr. Trace Tolby, School District Member with Student Count Greater than 3,000
Mr. Nick Floyd, School Bus Driver Member
Ms. Denise Hall, School District Member
Mr. Chuck Essigs, Public Member
Mr. Sean Ross, State Board of Education Member

GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA

A. **Call to Order – 10:00 A.M.**
   Mr. Nicolas Franklin, Chair

B. **Welcome and Roll Call of Council Members (In-Person, telephonically, or by other electronic means)**
   Mr. Nicolas Franklin, Chair

C. **Call to Public / Public Statements regarding matters listed on the agenda** – Those persons wishing to speak on a matter not on the agenda should have emailed STAC staff, STAC@azdps.gov , or contacted Ms. Kimberly Thomas at (602) 223-2649, before the start of the meeting. For those wishing to address the Council, the Board may limit the speaker(s) to five minutes on any one agenda item. The Commission will take no discussion or action. Any items requiring further discussion or action will be included on a future Commission meeting agenda.

D. Approval of minutes of the July 9, 2025, meeting minutes.
Mr. Nicolas Franklin, Chair
1. Review and collection of casting of votes for Chairperson from the July 9, 2025, meeting.
2. Approval of minutes.

E. STAC Vice Chairperson Selection
Mr. Nicolas Franklin, Chair
1. Nomination, selection, and announcement of STAC Vice Chairperson
2. Review and collection of casting of votes for Vice Chairperson

F. Overview of rulemaking procedures and laws.
1. AZDPS Police Planner Mr. Paul Swietek

G. Review, discussion, and possible recommendations regarding Senate Bill 1630, 11 to 15 Student Transportation Passenger Vehicle and Drivers, ARS § 15 -925, School Transportation Vehicles.
Mr. Nicolas Franklin, Chair
Sergeant Will Lunt, AZ DPS
Mr. Paul Swietek, AZ DPS

1. For Council familiarization, an overview of SB1630 & 15-925 from AZDPS State Regulated Vehicle Squad Sergeant Will Lunt and AZDPS Mr. Paul Swietek.
2. Review, discussion, and possible recommendations regarding immediate, emergency, and future rulemaking.

H. Review, discussion, and possible direction to schedule one or more study sessions to explore technical and community input related to rulemaking recommendations.
Mr. Nicholas Franklin, Chair
1. Special Needs
2. Driver Requirements
3. Alternative Fuels
4. Electric Bus
5. Training & Instructors
6. Review of ARS §15- 925, 11-15 Student Transportation Passenger Vehicles Rule(s)

I. New Business
Mr. Nicolas Franklin, Chair
1. Discussion of future topics for consideration
2. Set next meeting date and location

J. Call to public
Public Comment

K. Adjournment

The agenda may be revised, and additional items may be added before the meeting as authorized by A.R.S. §38-431.02. In that event, an addendum to the agenda will be noticed and posted before the meeting. Council agenda items not noticed for a specific time may be taken out of order. The Commission may go into Executive Session to obtain legal advice from the Commission Attorneys on any of the above agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A) (3) & (4). One or more members of the Commission may appear and participate in the meeting telephonically or by other electronic means.