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To: Arizona School District Personnel **From:** AZ School Facilities Board Staff

RE: Arizona School Superintendent Kathy Hoffman visits SFB

Arizona School Facilities Board staff welcomed Arizona Superintendent of Public Instruction Kathy Hoffman to our office today to introduce SFB operations to our state's new top school official. Hoffman was elected Superintendent in November 2018 and inaugurated on January 7, 2019. Executive Director Paul Bakalis spent an hour with Superintendent Hoffman and her staff discussing the SFB's role in K-12 new school construction and facilities renewal and made special note of the 20 new schools currently under construction throughout the state.

The SFB is an advocate for school districts in securing building renewal grant funding. The goal of today's meeting with Superintendent Hoffman was to find ways the Arizona Department of Education and the SFB can partner together in building creative learning environments for Arizona students.

About the Arizona School Facilities Board

Created in 1994, the Arizona School Facilities Board (AZSFB) is a cabinet-level, state agency managing \$650 Million in state funding for K-12 school district facilities. The 10-member board meets monthly to grant financing for new school construction and funding to renew existing school facilities. AZSFB staff is a partner/advocate for school districts in facilitating successful Building Renewal Grant requests.