



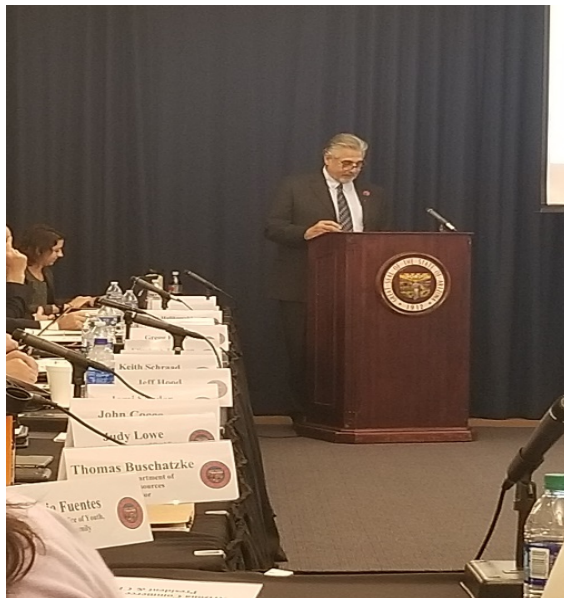
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To: Arizona School District Personnel
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RE: SFB Presents Success Stories to Governor Ducey

At today's Arizona state government quarterly cabinet meeting, Arizona School Facilities Board Executive Director Paul Bakalis presented SFB success stories to Governor Doug Ducey and his staff. The presentation focused on PayAppinator, the SFB's online service that makes it easier and faster for school Districts to access funding for correcting facilities deficiencies. This system has reduced the number of days it takes for Districts to receive funding payments from 100 in 2016 to 10 currently.

In the past three years, the SFB has transformed from an agency some Districts struggled to

work with to one many now see as their partner and advocate in getting Building Renewal Grants approved. SFB numbers since Director Bakalis was appointed:

	2016	2019
New Schools Awarded for Construction	1	21
Districts requesting SFB Funding (out of 217)	100	190
Building Renewal Projects (approximate)	300	1200

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.