

**Minutes from the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and the
Hard of Hearing, Search Committee Meeting.
Meeting held October 16th, 2025 at 4:30 pm.
The meeting was held via Zoom Teleconference.**

Call to Order & Roll Call

Commissioner Sienko called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Commissioners present: Commissioner Sienko, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Kidd, Commissioner Herron, Commissioner Swenson

Commissioners absent: Commissioner Bolmarcich

ADOA Staff: Brian Westerberg, George McNeely

ACDHH Staff Present: Ricky Gonsowski, Chyla Dalton-Nava

Approval of Minutes- October 1st, 2025

Commissioner Herron moved to approve the minutes from the October 1st meeting; Commissioners Swenson and Kidd second the motion, the motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director Search Timeline

Commissioner Herron moved that the Search Committee enter executive session to discuss the search timeline with ADOA; Commissioner Sienko seconded the motion, the Committee moved into closed session at 5:38 PM.

The Committee returned to open session at 6:55 PM.

Chair Sienko opened the discussion on the Executive Director search timeline.

Commissioner Herron moved to approve the following timeline: Interviews will be held on November 3rd and 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Finalists will be selected on November 4th to interview with the full board. On November 6th, the recommended finalists' names will be presented to the Board. On December 3rd, the full board will conduct final interviews, including a presentation and an interview portion, after receiving training. Commissioner Kidd offered an amendment to the motion; that on December 4th, the board will meet to make their final selection. Commissioner Herron accepts the amendment, Commissioner Kidd seconds the motion; the motion is carried unanimously.

Future Meetings-Schedule

As this was previously discussed in the timeline and voted on, the Committee has already determined the next meeting dates:

- November 3rd, November 4th 2025- First Round Interviews
- December 3rd, 2025 - Full board training and Finalist interviews
- December 4th 2025- Final decision with full board

Adjournment

Commissioner Kidd moves to adjourn at 7:02 PM; Commissioner Herron seconds, the meeting ended at 7:02 PM.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2025 at 10:00 am by Chyla Dalton-Nava, Assistant to the Executive Director.