

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2025, 6:30 P.M.
(Rescheduled from June 9, 2025)
Oakdale Joint Unified School District
Technology & Staff Development Center
331 Hinkley Avenue, Oakdale, CA

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CALL TO ORDER	1.1	The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Board President Clayton Schemper.
TRUSTEES PRESENT	1.2	Bill Duvall, Clayton Schemper, Tina Shatswell, and Terri Taylor
LATE ARRIVALS	1.3	None
TRUSTEES ABSENT	1.4	Diane Gilbert
VISITORS PRESENT	1.5	Wendy Petroni
CLOSED SESSION	2.0	Board President Schemper adjourned the meeting into Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. Open Session reconvened at 6:35 p.m.
PLEDGE	3.0	The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Schemper.
ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION	4.0	Board President Schemper reported: 2.2 The Board voted (4-0) to approve the expulsion of students for Spring 2025 and Fall 2025 for Ed Code violations: 2.2.1 - #24-25-17 48900(b), 48900(h), 48900(m), 48915(a)(2), 48915(b)(2) 2.2.2 - #24-25-18 48900(c), 48915(b)(1), 48915(b)(2) 2.3 The Board heard about an employee issue; no action was taken. 2.4 The Board voted (4-0) to reject liability claim #240063. 2.5 The Board discussed Public Employee Performance Evaluation of the Superintendent; no action was taken.
APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA	5.0	It was M/S/C (Shatswell/Duvall) to approve the order of agenda items for this meeting. Passed unanimously.
ANNOUNCEMENTS	6.1	Superintendent Mendonca introduced new elementary principals: Catherine Mullins, Sierra View, and Talmage Allen, Fair Oaks
ORG. REPORTS	7.0	None
PUBLIC COMMENTS	8.0	Board President Schemper opened the Public Comments portion of the agenda at 6:41 p.m. There being none, Public Comments closed at 6:41 p.m.
REMOVE ITEMS FROM CONSENT CALENDAR	9.1	There were no requests to remove items from the Consent Calendar.

ADOPT CONSENT CALENDAR	9.2	It was M/S/C (Duvall/Shatswell) to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented. Passed unanimously.
ADOPT MINUTES	9.3.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board adopted minutes of its regularly scheduled meeting held Monday, May 12, 2025, as presented.
APPROVE INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE REQUESTS	9.4.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved interdistrict attendance transfer requests, as presented.
ACKNOWLEDGE STUDENT DISCIPLINE REPORT, MAY 2025	9.4.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board acknowledged the Student Discipline Report for the months of May 2025, and Prior Two-Year Comparison, as presented.
APPROVE SINGLE PLANS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT	9.4.3	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved 2025-26 Single Plans for Student Achievement, as presented.
APPROVE EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM PLAN	9.4.4	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved 2025-28 Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan, as presented.
APPROVE ART & MUSIC IN SCHOOLS ANNUAL REPORT	9.4.5	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Oakdale Art & Music in Schools (AMS) Annual Report, as presented.
APPROVE CHARTER ART & MUSIC IN SCHOOLS ANNUAL REPORT	9.4.6	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Oakdale Charter Art & Music in Schools (AMS) Annual Report on Oakdale Charter Proposition 28, as presented.
APPROVE AG DEPT. TRIPS	9.4.7	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Agriculture Department Trips, as presented.
APPROVE FALL ATHLETIC SCHEDULES	9.4.8	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Fall Athletic Schedules, as presented.
APPROVE FALL ATHLETIC TEAMS POSTSEASON OVERNIGHT TRIPS	9.4.9	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Fall Athletic Teams for any Postseason Overnight Trips, as presented.
APPROVE STUDENT CONDUCT CODE	9.4.10	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Student Conduct Code, as presented.
APPROVE WARRANTS THRU 5/29/25, AND CYCLE I & II PAYROLL FOR MAY 2025	9.5.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved district warrants prepared for payment through May 29, 2025, and Cycle I & II Payroll for May 2025, as presented.
APPROVE CONSULTANT AGREEMENTS	9.5.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved Consultant Agreements, as presented.
APPROVE ASB ACCOUNTS, OHS, MAY 2025	9.5.3	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved ASB Accounts, OHS, May, 2025, as presented.
APPROVE ASB ACCOUNTS, OJHS, MAY 2025	9.5.4	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved ASB Accounts, OJHS, May, 2025, as presented.
AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL, OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS	9.5.5	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board authorized Disposal of Obsolete Equipment and Materials, as presented.
APPROVE CAFETERIA AGREEMENT, EAST VALLEY EDUCATION CENTER	9.5.6	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved Cafeteria Agreement with East Valley Education Center for the 2025-26 School Year, as presented.

APPROVE CAFETERIA AGREEMENT, KNIGHTS FERRY	9.5.7	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved Cafeteria Agreement with Knights Ferry for the 2025-26 School Year, as presented.
APPROVE CAFETERIA AGREEMENT, VALLEY HOME	9.5.8	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved Cafeteria Agreement with Valley Home for the 2025-26 School Year, as presented.
APPROVE JOB DESCRIPTIONS & SALARY SCHEDULE PLACEMENT (Reclassifications)	9.6.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved Job Descriptions and Salary Schedule Placement (Reclassifications), as presented.
AUTHORIZE ASSIGNMENT TO SINGLE SUBJECT CLASS	9.6.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved authorization of Use of E 44258.7 (c) Assignment to Single Subject Class Based on Special Skills, as presented.
APPROVE PROMOTION, CERTIFICATED	9.6.3	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved certificated promotion, of Talmage Allen, from Vice Principal, Oakdale Junior High, to Principal, Fair Oaks, effective 7/1/25, as presented.
APPROVE ASSIGNMENT, CERTIFICATED	9.6.4	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved certificated assignment, as presented: Wendy Petroni, Reading Specialist, effective 7/1/25
APPROVE EMPLOYMENT, CERTIFICATED	9.6.5	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved certificated employment, effective 8/4/2025, as presented: Sara Day, 3 rd Grade Teacher, Magnolia Jessica Sowell, 5 th Grade Teacher, Magnolia
ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS, CERTIFICATED	9.6.6	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board accepted certificated resignations, effective 6/30/25, as presented: Jill King, Counselor, OHS Suzanne Mohr, SDC Teacher, OJHS Jason Stock, Social Science Teacher, OHS
APPROVE CLASSIFIED PROMOTION	9.6.7	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved classified promotion, as presented: Carrie Bairos, from Secretary II, Café Services, to Secretary II, East Stanislaus High & Valley Oak Online Learning Academy, eff. 7/23/25
APPROVE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT	9.6.8	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved classified employment, as presented: Jeffrey McCormick, Food Service Warehouse Driver Custodian, Café Services, eff. 6/3/25
ACCEPT RESIGNATION, CLASSIFIED	9.6.9	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board accepted classified resignations, as presented: Gustavo Torres-Carrillo, E.L.P. Aide, Magnolia, eff. 6/30/25 Emilio Gonzalez, E.L.P. Assistant, Sierra View, eff. 6/30/25 Abigail Morelli, SLP Assistant, District Wide, eff. 6/30/25 Jacqueline Osorio, E.L.P. Aide, Cloverland, eff. 6/30/25 Emily Thomas, E.L.P. Assistant, Magnolia, eff. 5/22/25
DISPOSITION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT	10.0	None

REPORT, DISTRICT
LOCAL INDICATORS

- 11.1 Armida Colon, Director of State & Federal Programs, presented a brief report on LCAP Local Indicators on behalf of Assistant Superintendent Gillian Wegener. There are ten Performance Standards related to seven LCFF priorities that each Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) must address. Current performance for priorities 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7 is assessed via Local Indicators. The Local Indicators must be submitted to the State by the district's Dashboard Coordinator in the spring of each year and reported to the board at the same meeting at which the LCAP is approved.

The Local Indicators address multiple goals included within the District's LCAP Plan and include: 1) *Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean, and Functional School Facilities*; 2) *Implementation of State Academic Standards*; 3) *Parent and Family Engagement*; 6) *School Climate*; and 7) *Access to a Broad Course of Study*.

In reviewing Local Indicator 1) *Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean, and Functional School Facilities*, she noted data we are required to report is from 2022-23, and we can highlight two positive outcomes in that there are no reports of students without access to instructional materials and no identified needs in facilities.

In reviewing Local Indicator 2) *Implementation of State Academic Standards*, she reported we are status quo, and responses decreased from last year. Teacher survey data saw lots of 4's and 5's, which are positive.

In reviewing Indicator 3) *Parent and Family Engagement*, she noted information comes from the Parent Involvement and Family Engagement survey that goes out each spring to families. This year there were 120 responses to the English survey, down from 190 last year. Responses reflected 4's and 5's for the most part, with some 3's.

In reviewing Indicator 6) *School Climate*, she reported the California Healthy Kids Survey was most recently administered in December 2023, and data taken from the new local climate survey was also administered.

In reviewing 7) *Access to a Broad Course of Study*, there was a 1.6% increase overall in graduation rate. Students with Disabilities showed a decline of 3.2%, with a response of 79.7% or 77%, but that is still good because our target is 75%.

REPORT, CHARTER
LOCAL INDICATORS

- 11.2 Armida Colon, Director of State & Federal Programs, presented a report on Charter Local Indicators on behalf of Assistant Superintendent Gillian Wegener. She explained that the Charter Local Indicators mirrors the District Local Indicator Report, and responses are pretty status quo.

FIRST READING
AR 3110, TRANSFER OF FUNDS

- 11.3 Kassandra Booth, Chief Business Officer, explained they are taking a look at business board policies and administrative regulations, and are presenting changes for first reading as recommended by CSBA. She will bring this back for second reading and approval at the August meeting.

FIRST READING
BP/AR 3100, BUDGET

- 11.4 Kassandra Booth, Chief Business Officer, explained they are presenting changes for first reading as recommended by CSBA; they did not change the Board's recommendation to maintain at least a 5% minimum unassigned reserve, as was required in the previously approved board policy. She will bring this back for second reading and approval at the August meeting.

ADOPTION, K-2
READING SCREENER

- 12.1 Armida Colon, Director of State & Federal Programs, presented this item for approval on behalf of Assistant Superintendent Gillian Wegener. She explained that SB 114 signed in 2023 mandated that a Reading Difficulties Risk Screener be administered to all grade K - 2 students annually through the State of California. In December 2024, four reading screeners were approved by the State, with a deadline for districts to choose a screener that would fit their needs by June 30, 2025. A committee of grade K - 2 teachers, two elementary Special Ed teachers and an academic coach looked at the screeners and made the decision to go with *Multitudes* as it is research-based, easy to administer, is given on linked devices one-to-one with easily understandable and immediately generated reports for each student, and gives ideas to teachers for immediate interventions. There is also cost-free ongoing professional development and support as needed, as well as instructional resources, and useful communication options for families in English and Spanish.

The year 1 timeline involves K-2 teachers being trained Fall 2025, screener administered for grade 2 in October, grade 1 in January, and Grade K in February. Screening involves 1:1 administration, takes about 10 minutes per child, and is administered once per year. There will be a FAQ page on the district website in early July, as well as demo videos and an informational newsletter; families will be notified prior to testing being given to students. Parents may opt their child out of screening.

In response to a question from Trustee Taylor about who will be doing the screening, Ms. Colon responded teachers have expressed interest in giving the test and will administer. In response to a question from Trustee Shatswell about what happens if parent chooses to opt out, and if teachers observe to see if child is reading at level, Ms. Colon responded teacher would do what they are doing now, to provide intervention the student may need. Ms. Colon noted any questions may be directed to Dr. Wegener when she returns.

It was **M/S/C (Taylor/Shatswell)** to approve adoption of K-2 Reading Screener. Passed 4-0.

SECOND READING/APPROVAL,
BP 6163.4, STUDENT USE OF
TECHNOLOGY

- 12.2 Armida Colon, Director of State & Federal Programs, presented this item for second reading and approval on behalf of Assistant Superintendent Gillian Wegener. As presented at the last meeting, this policy has not been updated since 2010, and in that time, the use of technology has expanded in both scope and form and a new policy is needed to address these changes. Revisions will address a wider array of technology and areas of possible concern. She explained that the added text in pink reflects board

input since first reading. Trustee Taylor appreciated local standards that have been put in.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Taylor)** to approve revisions to BP 6163.4, Student Use of Technology. Passed 4-0.

ADOPTION, LCAP

- 12.3 Armida Colon, Director of State & Federal Programs, presented this item for approval on behalf of Assistant Superintendent Gillian Wegener. Public hearing was held at the last Board meeting.

It was **M/S/C (Taylor/Duvall)** to approve the Local Control Accountability Plan, as presented. Passed 4-0.

APPROVAL, CHARTER LCAP

- 12.4 Armida Colon, Director of State & Federal Programs, presented this item for approval on behalf of Assistant Superintendent Gillian Wegener. Public hearing was held at the last Board meeting.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Taylor)** to approve the Charter LCAP. Passed 4-0.

ADOPTION OF 2025-26 BUDGET

- 12.5 Chief Business Officer Kassandra Booth presented the proposed 2025-26 budget for adoption. She reviewed the Comparative Analysis of 20 Unified School Districts within a 50-mile radius; OJUSD is 3rd to bottom in LCFF Revenue Per Student at \$13,121, which is \$4,412 less per student than the highest funded district (Waterford at \$17,533) in 2023-24, while the Average comparative is \$14,574. In reviewing % of Total Expense on Instruction, OJUSD is 2nd from highest at 62.3%, just below Turlock at 65.8%, which the Average comparative is 55.1%. It was noted that while we receive a lot lower funding, the funds we do receive we are spending a great portion of it on direct instruction of students.

She reviewed May Revise & State Economy, noting California's economy is showing mixed signals with slow growth and persistent inflation, the State's Structural Deficit problem for the next 3 years, The Governor is 'under estimating' Prop 98 for 2024-25 and if materializes, funds will be given as another one-time grant, and the Governor is proposing deferring some of our June revenue to July. She noted Proposition 98 Rainy Day Fund reserve fund was up to 8.1% (or \$8.4 billion) in 2022-23, and then was wiped out by spending one-time reserve on on-going costs in 2023-24.

In reviewing General Fund Revenues of \$80.8 Million, she noted 88.9% of our revenues are from State sources which include 2.3% COLA on LCFF, Three-year Average ADA, and no one-time funds.

She noted in General Fund Expenditures of \$82.8 million, that 78.5% of the budget goes toward employees' salaries and benefits, which includes Step & Column, CalPERS decrease, P&L Insurance Increase, and no one-time funds. In Expenditures by Function, she noted a majority of funds are put into direct instruction of students, with 64% going towards Instruction, 9% to Instructional Support, and 11% to Pupil Services, for a total of 84%, and 9% to M&O, and 7% to General Administration. In General Fund Summary, we are looking at a Combined Unrestricted and Restricted Fund Balance of \$23,400,462, and Unassigned Reserves of 7.61%.

In reviewing Multiyear Projection Assumptions, she noted LCFF: DOF COLA projections of 3.02% for 2026-27 and 3.42% for 2027/28; ADA funded on three-year average with a 1% decline per year; Expenditures including Step and Column for employees, Pensions with CalPERS at 26.9% for 2026-27 and 278% for 2027-28, and P&L Insurance Increases.

In reviewing Multiyear Projection, she noted Unassigned Reserves in 2025-26 Annual Budget of 7.61%, 2026-27 Projected Budget of 6.30%, and 2027-28 Projected Budget of 5.66%. She noted Future Impacts on Multiyear Projection include: Economy, Enrollment and ADA, Minimum Wage Increases to \$17.40 on Jan. 1, 2026, and Contract Negotiations.

She explained that we have 45 days to adjust our budget once the State Budget is enacted, and she will bring back an adjusted budget if there are significant changes. She will present 2024-25 Unaudited Actuals in September, and the 2025-26 First Interim will be presented in December.

In response to a question from Trustee Schemper about how we store money, such as in high interest yielding accounts, Ms. Booth responded the County treasure does the investing for us. OJUSD cash is managed by the County Treasury, and they invest in high-yield and we get interest on funds and that is factored into funds.

It was **M/S/C (Taylor/Shatswell)** to Adopt the Proposed 2025-26 Budget. Passed 4-0.

APPROVAL, RESOLUTION #24-25-17, 12.6
INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Chief Business Officer Kassandra Booth presented this item which gives the district the ability to transfer funds as needed.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Taylor)** to adopt Resolution #24-25-17, Interfund Transfers, as presented. A Roll Call Vote was taken and passed 4-0.

APPROVAL, RESOLUTION
#24-25-18, EDUCATION
PROTECTION ACCT. 2025-26

12.7

Chief Business Officer Kassandra Booth presented this item, noting these funds cannot be used for administrative salaries or benefits or any other administrative costs.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Duval)** to adopt Resolution #24-25-18, Education Protection Account, 2025-26, as presented. A Roll Call Vote was taken and passed 4-0.

APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO
AGREEMENTS WITH SELECTED
ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING
FIRMS FOR BOND PROJECTS

12.8

Superintendent Mendonca presented this item, explaining the district issued Requests for Qualifications (RFQ's) to establish a pool of architectural firms for the Measure G Bond projects, and received 9 responses. A selection committee was formed and rated the firms on a scoring sheet based on criteria noted in the RFQ, and the four firms selected include: Pratt Architecture, Finney Architects, Architechnica, and Teter Architecture. Given the scope and nature of the various construction projects, the district will need to negotiate the contractual terms and conditions with each firm based upon need and specialization, and each agreement will be subsequently ratified by the Board.

It was **M/S/C (Duvall/Shatswell)** to Approve Entering into Agreements with Selected Architectural and Engineering Firms for Bond Projects. Passed 4-0.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS
OF ASST SUPTS & CBO

- 12.9 Superintendent Mendonca presented extension of contracts for two years for the Assistant Superintendent Curriculum & Instruction, Human Resources, Pupil Services, and Chief Business Officer through June 30, 2027.

It was **M/S/C (Taylor/Shatswell)** to Approve the Contracts of the Assistant Superintendents and Chief Business Officer. Passed 4-0.

INFORMATION

- 13.1 Summer School Starts June 3 Through July 10, at OHS
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| 1 st Session | Week 1: June 2–5 | M - TH |
| | Week 2: June 9-13 | M – F |
| | Week 3: June 16-18 | M-W |
| 2 nd Session | Week 4: June 23-26 | M –TH |
| | Week 5: June 30 - July 3 | M - TH |
| | Week 6: July 7-10 | M - TH |
- 13.2 East Stan Summer School, May 27–June 13, 7:40–1:00 Daily
- 13.3 Extended School Year (ESY) for Special Ed, June 2-30, at Cloverland, 8 am–Noon
- 13.4 Summer Expanded Learning Programs June 3–July 11, at Sierra View, 7:30 am–4:30 pm; ELP Program Closed June 19, 20, and July 4
- 13.5 Juneteenth Holiday, Thursday, June 19
- 13.6 4th of July Holiday, Friday, July 4
- 13.7 Board Stud Session, Tuesday, July 8, 9:00 am

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- 14.1 Formal Seating of Student Board Member

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

- 15.0 None

ADJOURNMENT

- 16.0 The meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.