SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

4400 Cathedral Oaks Road
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REGULAR MEETING
June 18, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

The Santa Barbara County Board of Education held this meeting on Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at the following two locations, which were connected via videoconference: SBCEO South County Office, 4400 Cathedral Oaks Road, Santa Barbara, CA, and SBCEO North County Office, 402 Farnel Road, Santa Maria, CA

UNAPPROVED

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the County Board of Education was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Board President Marybeth Carty.

2. Spanish Interpretation/Interpretación

The president announced that Spanish interpretation of the board meeting was available online via Zoom.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Roll Call

Board Members Present

Vedamarie Alvarez Flores (Santa Maria)
Katya Armistead (Santa Barbara)
Marybeth Carty (Santa Barbara)
Nadra Ehrman (Santa Barbara)
Judith Frost (Santa Maria)
Sarah Anne Read (Santa Maria)
Guy Walker (Santa Barbara)

Staff Members Present

Susan Salcido, superintendent (Santa Barbara)
Anna Freedland, executive assistant (Santa Barbara)

Ellen Barger	Josh Becerra	Nicole Evenson	Don Lockwood
Camie Barnwell	Shawn Carey	Rachel Fauver	Luis Medina
Noelle Barthel	Tiffany Carson	Mari Gonzales	Elise Simmons
Bridget Baublits	Kirsten Escobedo	Isabel Guerrero	Steve Torres

Others Present

Francisco, A/V technician consultant
Victor McConnell, member of the public
Hugo Santos-Gomez, interpreter (via Zoom)
Regina Santos-Moreno, interpreter (via Zoom)

5. Changes to the Agenda

None.

6. President and Board Comments

Board Member Walker acknowledged the recent passing of Jack Garvin, a longtime educator, administrator, and school board member in the Santa Maria Valley.

7. Public Comments

The following member of the public addressed the County Board of Education:

Victor McConnell

INFORMATION ITEMS

8. Summary of SBCEO's Support for Continuous Improvement in Districts

Associate Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Ellen Barger and Directors of School and District Support Shawn Carey and Rachel Fauver presented a summary to the board on how the Santa Barbara County Education Office supports districts in implementing Article 4.5 of the Education Code: Local Control and Accountability Plans and the Statewide System of Support. SBCEO supports districts by reviewing their Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAPs), providing Differentiated Assistance, and collaborating with the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, other lead agencies and county superintendents. This was presented as an information item. It was presented at the same board meeting at which the SBCEO LCAP was being considered for approval, per Education Code section 52066.

9. LCAP Local Indicators Report

The report on SBCEO's progress on the Local Indicators through the California School Dashboard was submitted to the board as an information item, per the requirements of the standards for Local Indicators approved by the State Board of Education. Associate Superintendent of Student and Community Services Bridget Baublits provided a presentation to the board on the report.

ACTION ITEMS

10. Recommended Adoption of the Santa Barbara County Education Office 2025-26 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)

The board adopted the Santa Barbara County Education Office 2025-26 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).

MOVED: **Mr. Walker** SECONDED: **Dr. Armistead** VOTE: **Passed 7-0**

11. Recommended Adoption of the 2025-26 County School Service Fund Budget

With the certification by the superintendent that the budget had been reviewed utilizing the state adopted criteria and standards, the board adopted the 2025-26 County School Service Fund Budget.

MOVED: **Dr. Armistead** SECONDED: **Ms. Ehrman** VOTE: **Passed 7-0**

ADJOURNMENT

12. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, the president stated that the August board meeting would begin around 4:00 p.m. in order to accommodate a public hearing that could not take place during or immediately following school hours and that the August board meeting would be dual location.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m. to the next regular meeting to be held July 10, 2025.

MOVED: **Mr. Walker** SECONDED: **Dr. Armistead** VOTE: **Passed 7-0**

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Marybeth Carty, President
County Board of Education

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Dr. Susan Salcido, Secretary
County Board of Education