OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT
17200 Pinehurst Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92647

APPROVED

Board of Trustees' Meeting
October 14, 2025; 6:00 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Open Session: 6:00 p.m.

Voting Members
Patricia Singer, President
Jack Souders, Vice President
Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk
Keri Gorsage, Trustee
Morgan Westmoreland, Trustee

Administration
Julianne Hoefer, Ph.D., Superintendent
Reagan Headrick, Deputy Superintendent, Human Resources
Keith Farrow, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services

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A. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by President Patricia Singer at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Members present: Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Keri Gorsage, Patricia Singer, Jack Souders, Morgan Westmoreland

C. Agenda Adoption- Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting of October 14, 2025

Motion made by: Jack Souders
Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

Voting:
Unanimously approved by the Trustees present.

D. Closed Session

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin read aloud the public's invitation to comment on Closed Session items. As there were no items listed under Closed Session, there were no comments.

E. Reconvene in Open Session/Report of Closed Session Action: n/a

F. Pledge of Allegiance

President Singer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

G. Minutes

1. Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting Minutes, September 30, 2025

Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
Motion seconded by: Jack Souders

Voting:
Unanimously approved by the Trustees present.

H. Introductions: None.

I. Time Certain

1. 6:05 p.m. Circle View Elementary School Presentation

Principal Julie Ernst highlighted the importance of Curiosity, Creativity, and Community at Circle View School. Joined by fourth-grade teacher Mrs. Ashley, students Roslyn and Kate demonstrated a hands-on health and nutrition lesson in which they explored hidden sugars, analyzed nutrition labels, and learned to make informed choices. The activity connected classroom learning to real-life health decisions, promoting curiosity, critical thinking, and lifelong wellness habits.

2. 6:15 p.m. Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Recognition

Tim Biland, Coordinator, Student Services, shared information about the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Program, which prioritizes students' emotional and behavioral growth, while fostering increased engagement and reducing behavioral challenges. The following schools were recognized for earning PBIS Awards in the 2024-25 school year:

Platinum Awards: College View, Marine View, Star View

Gold Awards: Circle View, Harbour View, Hope View, Lake View, Mesa View, Oak View, Village View, Vista View, Westmont

Silver Award: Golden View

Motion by Jack Souders, seconded by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, and unanimously approved by the Trustees present to recess the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:34 p.m.

3. **6:30 p.m. Action to rescind the Board of Trustees' action on May 13, 2025, to select a Trustee Area Map and select Election Sequencing. The public will have an opportunity to provide comments before Board action.**

Motion by Jack Souders and seconded by Gina Clayton-Tarvin to approve as submitted.

Todd Robbins, Attorney with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (AALRR), presented information on this matter, including prior actions taken by the Board at their meeting on May 13, 2025, involving Trustee Areas.

Vice President Souders expressed his appreciation that the matter was brought back before the Board for consideration, noting that he had several unanswered questions when it was originally presented in May and welcomed the opportunity to revisit the issue.

Trustee Westmoreland clarified the actions taken by the Board at the May 13, 2025, Board Meeting, when the Resolution to move forward with By-Trustee Area elections was voted down.

President Singer advised that written communications had been received regarding this matter from Mike Hale; Andrew R. Einhorn; Stephen MacDowell; David Rynerson; and Ann Hernandez. Copies of these communications are available for public review.

Roll Call Vote on motion to approve action to rescind the Board of Trustees' action on May 13, 2025, to select a Trustee Area Map and select Election Sequencing:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Keri Gorsage - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - No

Prior to the foregoing presentation and vote, the following people spoke in favor of By-Trustee Area elections:

Spencer Hagaman, community member;
Paula Jean, community member;
Erin Spivey, parent; and
Robert Espinoza, parent.

4. **6:35 p.m. Action to discuss and select Trustee Area Map: The Board of Trustees will consider, select, and approve a trustee area map to use in trustee area elections beginning November 2026. The Board invites public comment regarding this matter.**

There were no public comments regarding this matter.

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin and seconded by Jack Souders to select Map No. 2.

Mr. Robbins provided a review of the remaining mapping scenarios and discussed conceptual Trustee areas.

Trustee Westmoreland expressed her concerns with the presentation and selection of Map No. 2.

Roll Call Vote on motion to approve action to select Trustee Area Map No. 2:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Keri Gorsage - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - No

5. **6:40 p.m. Action to discuss and select Election Sequencing: The Board of Trustees will consider, select, and approve election sequencing for which trustee areas will be up for election in 2026 and which areas will be up for election in 2028. The Board invites public comment regarding this matter.**

There were no public comments regarding this matter.

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin and seconded by Jack Souders to approve the following election sequencing: Trustee Areas 2, 4, 5 will be up for election in 2026; Trustee Areas 1 and 3 will be up for election in 2028.

Mr. Robbins gave an overview of election sequencing and selection of sequencing specific to Ocean View School District, in addition to providing an example of baseline sequencing.

Trustee Westmoreland stated her opposition to the proposed election sequencing and explained her concerns.

Roll Call Vote on motion to approve the following election sequencing: Trustee Areas 2, 4, 5 will be up for election in 2026; Trustee Areas 1 and 3 will be up for election in 2028:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Keri Gorsage - No
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - No

6. **6:45 p.m. Public Hearing: The Board of Trustees will conduct a public hearing to receive and consider input regarding the transitioning from At-Large to By-Trustee area elections and recommending that the Orange County Committee on School District Organization approve and establish**

trustee areas from which the Ocean View School District Trustees will be elected in a By-Trustee area election process.

President Singer opened the Public Hearing on this matter at 7:15 p.m.

Erin Spivey, parent, expressed her support of Trustee Area elections, noting it will provide better representation for the community.

There being no additional speakers, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

7. **6:50 p.m. Action to approve Resolution transitioning from At-Large to By-Trustee area elections and recommending that the Orange County Committee on School District Organization approve and establish trustee areas from which the Ocean View School District Trustees will be elected in a By-Trustee area election process.**

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin and seconded by Jack Souders to approve as submitted.

Mr. Robbins explained the process involved in the transition from an At-Large to a By-Trustee Area election, which provides three different procedural options. He explained the details involved in the district-initiated option, including adoption of a resolution recommending that the Orange County Committee on School District Organization approve and establish Trustee Areas from which the Ocean View School District Trustees will be elected in a By-Trustee Area election process.

Included in the resolution is the Board's request to the Committee to, "by resolution, approve a proposal to establish trustee areas and to elect governing board members using district-based elections, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 14026 of the Election Code, without being required to submit the resolution to the electors of the district for approval."

Trustee Westmoreland expressed her opposition to the way this matter was presented and addressed, emphasizing concerns about the lack of transparency. She also referenced the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) and questioned the necessity of transitioning from the current At-Large election process.

Vote on action to approve Resolution No. 09-2526, transitioning from At-Large to By-Trustee Area elections and recommending that the Orange County Committee on School District Organization approve and establish trustee areas from which the Ocean View School District Trustees will be elected in a By-Trustee Area election process:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Keri Gorsage - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - No

J. Public Comment: None.

K. Communications

1. Written Communications to the Board

President Singer advised that the following written comments were received:

1. Communication from League of Women Voters Observer Corps, dated October 6, 2025, regarding September 30, 2025, Board Meeting.

2. Communication from Paula A. Schaefer, dated October 14, 2025, regarding support of By-Trustee Area elections.

Copies of the above correspondence have been provided to the Board of Trustees and are available for public review at the District Office.

2. Board/Committee Reports: None.

3. Personnel Commissioner Report (Three Minutes)

Bob Ewing, Chair, Personnel Commission, reported on recent new hires; including the new Benefits, Workers Compensation & Leaves Specialist; noted that preparations are underway for the District's second Job Fair; enjoyed engaging with classified and certificated staff during his site visits with Dr. Hoefer to Vista View, and with Dr. Jensen at Westmont and Lake View.

4. Trustees' Communications (Three Minutes per Board Member)

Trustee Westmoreland commended the schools for their awards; addressed the Trustee Area election sequencing, recalling the previously approved sequence prioritized areas 1 and 2 to align with the California Voting Rights Act and empower underrepresented communities; noted that the new sequencing does not prioritize these protected class areas and questioned the rationale for the change; announced she will be requesting a written legal memorandum from council explaining how delaying area 1 meets the California Voting Rights Act standard; emphasized the need for transparency, and encouraged the public to review the May 13, 2025, Board Meeting for context.

Vice President Souders praised Circle View's presentation that highlighted the importance of student health education; voiced strong support for the districting proposal as an example of good governance, stating that increased representation strengthens the community's voice.

Trustee Gorsage expressed appreciation for the Circle View presentation and its use of real world experiences; congratulated the schools on their PBIS recognitions; noted that her position in support of a By-Trustee Area system has not changed, although she believes a more equitable sequencing method could have been developed to better prioritize certain communities; is looking forward to seeing how the process unfolds.

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin complimented the Circle View students on their presentation; congratulated the schools for earning their PBIS awards; visited Village View and Harbour View Schools; commented on ABC Unified School District's recognition of Indigenous Peoples' Day in place of Columbus Day, briefly mentioning Christopher Columbus' mistaken historical significance; advocated for the establishment of an Italian American Heritage Day.

President Singer thanked Circle View staff and students for their informative presentation; congratulated all schools on their PBIS awards; addressed the By-Trustee Area election process, noting that, as Chair, she typically limits her input unless necessary; shared her thoughts regarding the approved map and sequencing; pleased that the Vista View area will now have true representation; encouraged interested community members to consider serving on the Board.

5. Superintendent's Communications

Dr. Hoefer noted that Roundtable President Jen Rank was unable to provide an update tonight due to illness and expressed appreciation for the dedication of parent leaders; attended the Huntington Beach Assistance League's *Links to Learning* celebration, where $15,000 was awarded to educators for the benefit of students; attended the Anaheim Elementary School District Board Meeting, where the Anaheim Outdoor Science Education Foundation was recognized for raising over $1.3 million and supporting more than 30,000 students; met with CSEA President Elizabeth Carr as part of their continued PAL partnership; shared positive feedback from her attendance at the Lunch Listening Session at Star View, accompanied by OVTA Co-Presidents Rebecca Broussard and Jennifer Paulino; visited Vista View during their "Schools to Watch" renewal validation visit; announced that Golden View has been selected as one of 12 Orange County Impact Schools; invited the public to the District's second Job Fair on October 18.

6. PTA/PTO/PTSA/PTSO Presidents' Roundtable (Five Minutes): None.

7. Employee Associations' Communications (CSEA, OVTA) (Five Minutes per Association)

Jennifer Paulino and Rebecca Broussard, OVTA Co-Presidents, announced that 29 District educators were selected as recipients of the Huntington Beach Assistance League grant awards, totaling over $15,000 that will support student learning in classrooms; congratulated the schools on their PBIS recognitions; visited Lake View and Star View with Dr. Hoefer to connect with teachers and staff, share updates, and listen to feedback; expressed excitement at continuing these meaningful visits.

L. Reports: None.

M. Consent Calendar

Prior to the vote on the Consent Calendar, Clerk Clayton-Tarvin advised she will be recusing herself from voting due to a conflict of interest involving a specific Purchase

Order for the Mesa View modernization, as she shares an easement with Mesa View Middle School .

1. **Administrative Services: Gifts to the District**

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present (Clayton-Tarvin recusing).

2. **Educational Services: Listing of Conferences, Meetings, Workshops, and Consultants**

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present (Clayton-Tarvin recusing).

3. **Administrative Services: Purchase Orders for all Funds from September 10, 2025, through September 30, 2025**

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present (Clayton-Tarvin recusing).

4. **Administrative Services: School District Check Registers from September 10, 2025, through September 30, 2025**

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present (Clayton-Tarvin recusing).

5. **Human Resources: Certificated Employee Personnel Activity List - September 10, 2025, through September 30, 2025**

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present (Clayton-Tarvin recusing).

6. **Human Resources: Classified Employee Personnel Activity List - September 10, 2025, through September 30, 2025**

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present (Clayton-Tarvin recusing).

N. Old Business: None.

O. New Business

1. **Educational Services: 2025-26 Agreement between Department of Health Care Services and Ocean View School District of Orange County for Enrollment in the Children and Youth Behavioral Health Incentive Fee Schedule Program (Action)**

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present.

2. **Educational Services: Public Hearing on Resolution No. 06:2526 - A Resolution of the Ocean View School District of Orange County Board of Trustees Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials for 2025-26**

   President Singer opened the Public Hearing at 7:59 p.m. As there was no one present wishing to address the Board, the Public Hearing was closed at 8:00 p.m.

3. **Educational Services: Resolution No. 06:2526 - A Resolution of the Ocean View School District of Orange County Board of Trustees Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials for 2025-26 (Action)**

   Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
   Motion seconded by: Jack Souders

   Voting:
   Unanimously approved by the Trustees present.

4. **Educational Services: Resolution No. 07:2526: A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of Ocean View School District of Orange County Proclaiming the Week of October 27-31, 2025, as Red Ribbon Week (Action)**

   Motion made by: Keri Gorsage
   Motion seconded by: Jack Souders

Voting:
Unanimously approved by the Trustees present.

P. Any Other Public Comments to the Board of Trustees: None.

Q. Future Agenda Items (As Requested by Board Members)

Trustee Westmoreland:
-discussion of future plans involving the closed Spring View Middle School site;
-update on the Special Education Program at Harbour View School

R. Board of Trustees' Roundtable

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin commented on her recent visit to Harbour View School, where she toured the Special Education and Dual Language Immersion (DLI) classes, speaking with staff members who expressed satisfaction with their programs and school environment; plans to attend the OCSBA/ACSA Joint Dinner Meeting and the Boys & Girls Club Annual Fundraiser; expressed condolences to the family of Dr. Michael Simons, former trustee of Huntington Beach Union High School District, who recently passed away.

Trustee Gorsage commented on a study she read and will be following about the impact of social media on preteens' cognitive development, noting social media use among children is having a negative effect on their cognitive processing abilities and performance on tests; was invited to attend an Alpha Delta Kappa event, a service organization focused on education that offers scholarships, and shared their interest in providing support to District teachers.

Vice President Souders expressed pride in the Board's votes to make the District more representational; stated that patriotism involves volunteering and community representation; encouraged residents in the newly established trustee areas to get involved in the next election; expressed regret that the sequencing of the By-Trustee areas prevents Trustee Westmoreland from running for reelection until 2028, noting she is a valuable member of the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Westmoreland noted that it is important to engage in debate and governance; stated that while she respects the vote for the By-Trustee Area elections, she disagrees with the change in sequencing; expressed concern that some who supported the overall process changed their positions when the sequencing affected their own areas; emphasized her commitment to serving the rest of her term with transparency and honesty.

President Singer stated that she serves with the intention of providing true representation; emphasized that the Board is governed by California law and Education Code; expressed her belief that the community should continue to have the opportunity to elect their representatives; echoed Vice President Souders' positive sentiment regarding Trustee Westmoreland's service.

S. Closed Session (if needed): None.

T. Reconvene in Open Session/Report of Closed Session Action: n/a

U. Adjournment

Time: 8:19 p.m.

Motion made by: Keri Gorsage
Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:
Unanimously approved by the Trustees present.

Julianne Hoefer, Ph.D., Superintendent

Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk

10/28/25
Date