

BOARD NOTES

Board of Education Regular Meeting – Thurs., November 20, 2025

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Upcoming board meetings in December 2025:

- Mon., December 1, 2025, 5 p.m. (special meeting at the DO and via Zoom)
- Thurs., December 11, 5:30 p.m. (special meeting at the DO and via Zoom)
- Thurs., December 18, 5:30 p.m. (regular meeting at the DO and via Zoom)

The board took action on the following:

- In honor of National Inclusive Schools Week (Dec. 8-12, 2025), the board adopted a resolution that celebrates that progress schools have made in providing a supportive and quality education to an increasingly diverse student population.
- The board approved revisions to board bylaws re: governance standards.

The board discussed the following:

- Ed Services presented CA Dashboard data on student achievement in math and ELA, English Learner progress, grad rates, absenteeism, and suspension rates. They explained how student and community voices will drive data analysis and reflection.
- Student Services staff presented updates to board policies re: student services.
- The Superintendent presented updates to the board regarding board bylaws.

Special Note:

- Roosevelt ES Principal Amy Onyendu and AP Natara Warren highlighted the school's culture of Growth, Respect, Integrity, and Tenacity (Grit) and shared how PD is centered around PBL, and the SIP is focused on inquiry-based learning, curiosity, collaboration, critical thinking, and evidence-based learning. They provided an update on FIP and strategies being used to improve attendance. They highlighted the multiple ways the school engages with its parent and surrounding community
- The board congratulated Grant ES for winning the City of Santa Monica Safe Routes to Schools Golden Sneaker Award for Bike It! Walk It! Day!
- Samohi Principal Marae Cruce shared student achievement data on the CAASPP and AP exams as well as the launch of two new academies. She highlighted PD on PBL and the SIP focused on students engaging in structured, collaborative conversations with their peers. She shared images of the new bleachers and Barnum Hall seats. She explained strategies being used to improve attendance and celebrated the multiple ways the school engages with its parent and surrounding community

Special Note (cont.):

- The board congratulated the Samohi students who were named finalists or commended by the National Merit Scholarship Program. The Malibu HS students who received the same honors will be recognized by the board in February.

Upcoming board items (schedule subject to change):

- Updates to BPs and ARs re: student services -- *action on 12/11/25*
- Updates to Board Bylaws re: governance standards -- *action on 12/11/25*
- Proposed updates to BPs and ARs re: educational services -- *discussion on 12/11/25*
- First Interim Budget for 2025-26 – *action on 12/11/25*
- Audit of 2024-25 Fiscal Year – *action on 12/11/25*
- Recognizing Outgoing Board Pres. & VP – *recognitions/commendations on 12/18/25*
- Election of Board Pres. & VP for 2026 – *action on 12/18/25*
- Adoption of Board Meeting Calendar for 2026-27 – *action on 12/18/25*