

CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

DISTRICT BOARD ROOM #29

24285 LINCOLN ST., CALIFORNIA 93925

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

7:00 PM

(Closed Session 6 - 7 pm)

January 21, 2026

The Board will meet in person at Chualar School.

All comments received by this time will be submitted into the record by the Board President or presiding officer. Please include your name and agenda item that you wish to comment on in the subject line of your email. If you wish to submit a public comment on more than one agenda item, please send a separate email for each item on which you are commenting. Please be aware that all written public comments, including your name and email address, may become public information. Send your comments to:

mcontreras@chualarusd.org no later than January 20, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Public comments may be made during the public comment portion of the meeting. There will be a 2-minute limit for individuals. There is no ceding of one's time to other individuals. Efforts will be made by staff to read the comments received into the record, but it cannot be guaranteed that written comments received by email will be read, nor that there will be enough time to read all the comments.

1. Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order Time 6:04 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 Roll Call

Martha Gallegos, Board President	Trustee Area #3	<u>Present</u>
Esperanza Rangel, Board Clerk	Trustee Area #3	<u>Present</u>
Itzel Sanchez, Board Member	Trustee Area #2	<u>Absent</u>
Domingo Rangel, Board Member	Trustee Area #3	<u>Present</u>
Vacant	Trustee Area #1	_____

1.4 Adoption of Agenda

*Changes, additions (based on Provision of Emergency/Urgency), and approval of the Agenda as presented.
2/3 vote required if any item is added to the Agenda.*

1.4.1 Changes to the Agenda Item 8. A – Tabled for next board mtg. February 18th.
Item 15. Information only

1.4.2 Additions to the Agenda

1.4.3 Adoption of the Agenda

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees adopts the agenda as presented.

Adoption of Agenda A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel, to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

2. Identify Closed Session Topics of Discussion

Public Comment Period for Closed Session Items: General public comment on any closed session item that will be heard. Members of the public are welcome to participate as permitted by law. Persons wishing to be heard by the Board shall complete the available form and submit it to the Board Secretary prior to the meeting. The time of presentation is limited to two (2) minutes.

2.1 Personnel

2.1.1 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint/Employment/

2.1.2 Superintendent's Evaluation

3. Adjourn to Closed Session

Time: 6:07 pm

The Board of Trustees will meet in Closed Session to consider matters appropriate for Closed Session in accordance with Government Code Section 3549.1, 54956.7 through 54957.7, and Education Code Section 35146.

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

"That the Chualar Board of Trustees Adjourns to Closed Session."

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

4. Reconvene to Open Session

Time: 7:14 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

"That the Chualar Board of Trustees Reconvenes to Open Session."

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

5. Report out of Closed Session:

Nothing to report

Ms. Johnson, 5th-grade teacher, requested that the student trustees be included as a regular agenda item so they may report on any issues. She also asked that they receive the meeting agenda in advance to allow time for review prior to the meeting. Additionally, she requested that the Board be mindful of the time and consider dismissing the students early, as meetings are held on school nights. Mr. Pulido informed the Board that both student trustees, Emma Sanchez and Jocelyn Silva, attended a student trustee training at the Monterey County Office of Education. Ms. Johnson and Mr. Pulido accompanied them. He also shared photographs taken during the training. Emma Sanchez, 8th-grade President, stated that she joined to help improve the school for future students and encouraged other students to get involved. Jocelyn Silva, 7th-grade Vice President, also expressed her desire to help improve the school.

6. Oral Comments from the Public

A. Guidelines

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Mrs. Perez shared with the Board that negotiations are going well. She stated that they anticipate presenting the ratified CTA contract to the Board for approval at the next board meeting.

Mrs. Loveless informed the Board that she will provide additional information at the next board meeting regarding potential funding for student meals.

B. **INTERVIEWS FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY AND TO APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE CHUALAR UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AREA #1 @ 7:00 P.M.**

1. Andrea Azucena Brambila Flores

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RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

"That the Chualar Board of Trustees appoint a candidate to the Chualar Union School District Board of Trustees Area #1."

TABLED

7. 2024-2025 Audit Report

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INFORMATION: The audit report was presented, and there were no findings to report.

8. Presentations

A. General Plan Planning Committee Update Report, Edgar Sanchez TABLED

B. PTC Update

Mrs. Rebecca Sanchez, representing CPTC, shared with the Board the many activities and events CPTC has been organizing. Mr. Pulido expressed his appreciation for Mrs. Sanchez's dedication and hard work, noting that CPTC prepared goodie bags for all students, which required significant effort and were greatly enjoyed by the students.

Ms. Johnson, 5th-grade teacher, added that CPTC also supported the movie night fundraiser, which helped raise funds to purchase a blender for the cafeteria to make smoothies for students. Mrs. Sanchez stated that CPTC will provide a formal presentation at the next board meeting and said she hoped that additional CPTC members will be present.

- C. CHUALAR BRIDGE RENAMING PROJECT RETIRED VETERAN AND ADMINISTRATOR-JOHN MACIAS
 Mr. John Macias, a retired veteran, addressed the Board to propose renaming the Chualar Bridge in honor of Corporal Pete Frank Cruz. Corporal Cruz served in the Group III Marine Amphibious Force, 2nd Civil Affairs Group, CAP Echo 2, and was killed in action during the Vietnam War. He was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart. Corporal Cruz was a native of this area. 92-101

9. 2024-2025 Annual Developer Fee Report 102

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approve the 2024-2025 Annual Developer Fee Report.”

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

10. AB-1390 Public school governance: board member compensation 103-105

1. Monthly Compensation
2. Contribute to the 8th grade Graduation
3. Opt out

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approve the board member compensation.”

The Board decided to go with #3 “Opt out”.

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

11. Consent Agenda

Action Items included on the Consent Agenda are to be approved by one motion unless a Board Member requests separate action on a specified item. There is no discussion of these items prior to the vote unless a member of the Board, staff or public requests in writing prior to the meeting specific items to be discussed. It is understood that the administrator recommends approval on all Consent Items. Each item on the Consent Agenda approved by the Board of Trustees shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

11.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10th, 2025.

11.2 Approval of Bill of Registers 106-114

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approves the Consent Agenda as presented.”

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

12. Medi-Cal Administrative Claiming Agreement 115-128
RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approve the Medi-Cal Administrative Claiming Agreement.”

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

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13. Agreement for the provision of limited professional architectural services - Peatree+Belli Architects

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approve the Agreement for the provision of limited professional architectural services - Peatree+Belli Architects.”

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

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14. 2025-2026 Consolidate Application

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approve the 2025-2026 Consolidate Application.”

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

15. Athletic Director Job Description-FIRST READING 149-152

INFORMATION: This item will be presented as an action item at the next board meeting.

16. Resolution NO. 09/2025-2026 Authorizing the disposal of surplus and obsolete maintenance equipment

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION: 153-154

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approve the Resolution NO. 09/2025-2026 Authorizing the disposal of surplus and obsolete maintenance equipment.”

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

17. We are requesting a change to the December board meeting date. The meeting, currently scheduled for December 9, 2026, should be rescheduled to any date between December 11 through December 24, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION:

“That the Chualar Board of Trustees approve the change to the December board meeting date to any date between December 11 and December 24, 2026.”

The board decided on December 11th, 2026

A motion was made by Trustee E. Rangel, seconded by Trustee D. Rangel. The motion passed by a 3-0-1 vote. All in favor.

18. Williams Quarterly Report 155

INFORMATION: Nothing to report

19. Superintendent’s and/or Board Correspondence

-Power School Update

Mr. Pulido informed the Board that he and the Business Manager are working closely with teachers to address and resolve issues arising with the program. Mrs. Le, Business Manager, added that she is collaborating with the District’s independent consultant, Eric Schell, to improve the report card process so that report cards can be generated within the program rather than being completed manually.

-CACFP Child and Adult Care Food Program

Mr. Pulido expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Loveless, Kindergarten/TA Teacher, for her assistance with the food program.

-Fire Alarm System Update

Mr. Pulido informed the Board about an incident involving the fire alarm system. The Fire Chief became concerned because someone had to be sent to the school after the alarm could be heard, and it was not being turned off due to a communication issue with the alarm company. Mr. Pulido stated that the school contacted the company to have the system repaired.

-Measure J Projects Update

The bids will be presented at the next board meeting.

20. Advance Planning

20.1 Next Regular Board Meeting, February 18th, 2026

20.2 Agenda Items for the next Board Meeting (Board Members Only)

-Community meeting, Edgar Sanchez

-CPTC Presentation

-Homeless-2025-26 budget

-Measure J Projects

-Clinica de Salud

21. Adjournment

There being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Time 9:13 p.m.