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Board Minutes

February 5, 2026
Thursday, 4:30 P.M.
Executive Meeting Room

Regular Board Meeting

AMENDED AGENDA: *Revision to Consent Agenda, Board Item #4 – Fog Closure (ADDITION of February 5, 2026)*

A. The meeting was called to order at 4:32 pm by Clerk Joel Ackerknecht.

Members Present: Tyler Rogers, Randy Bloemhof, Joel Ackerknecht
Others present: **Bryan Easter, Superintendent**
Angelica Fernandez, Administrative Assistant
Chrisy Herstad, Principal
John Campbell, MOT Director

B. CORRESPONDENCE, HEARINGS, DELEGATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Kindergarten Presentation - Not available due to school closure.
2. KCSOS First Interim Report Certification - Mr. Easter presented the letter certification to the board.
3. Mid-Year LCAP Report - Mr. Easter gave the board an overview of the LCAP report that included budget, effective actions, increases in student performance, and Positive Campus Culture.
4. Winter Trustee Dinner (February 25, 2026) - The trustee dinner will be held at Kern High School District.

C. COMMUNITY COMMENT - N/A

The public may address the Board on any matter within the Board's jurisdiction that is not on the agenda, at this time. The public may address the Board on each of the remaining items, on the agenda, as these items are taken up before Board discussion and deliberation. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, each person is limited to three minutes per item. If a large number wishes to speak on a specific item, the Board may limit the total input to twenty minutes on any item. Persons wishing to speak should complete a sheet and hand it to the board secretary..

D. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD - N/A

E. REPORTS

1. MOT Director, John Campbell -John Campbell reported that recent rain has resulted in increased grass growth, requiring additional mowing. He also noted that thick morning fog has been a concern in the area and shared that he has been communicating with neighboring districts about the consistent fog conditions. Randy Bloemhof emphasized that prioritizing safety is most important, and Joel Ackerknecht agreed. John also reported that the CHP will be on campus for the annual event. Randy Bloemhof thanked John Campbell for his work and commitment to ensuring safety
2. Principal, Christy Herstad
 - a. Discipline - Christy Herstad reports things are well, and there are no disciplinary issues as of now.
3. Superintendent, Bryan Easter
 - a. Enrollment: 284 - Mr. Easter reports that we are back to 283 enrollment due to a recent move.

- b. Canopy Entrance Update - Mr. Easter reports that things are well. They will be coming next Tuesday to finish up.
- c. Foundation Update - The foundation is rolling, the committee has some tasks to get done, but going well so far.
- d. CA State Budget Update - Mr. Easter reported on the California state budget.
- e. Fog Delay & Closure Information - Mr. Easter reported that the district has experienced five two-hour delays, two three-hour delays, and two school closures. He also noted that instructional minutes will need to be made up. Mr. Easter also expressed his appreciation to John Campbell for arriving early to assess fog conditions and for helping ensure the safest possible decisions for students and staff.
- f. Maple Administrative Feedback 360 -Mr. Easter reported on the administration feedback to the board.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of the January MIDA & EOM payrolls totaling \$235,864.78
Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____
2. Consider approval of commercial warrant batch #13, #14 & #15 for the 2025-26 school year, totaling \$172,922.88
Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____
3. Consider approval of the 25/26 Comprehensive School Safety Plan
Motion Ackerknecht Second Bloemhof Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____
4. Consider approval of the A-Z Purchase Agreement for EV Bus
**Funded through EV grants*
Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____
5. Consider 2 candidates to represent CSBA Delegate Assembly Subregion 12-B (Kern County)
Motion Bloemhof Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____
6. Review of the updated Board Policies and Administrative Regulations (1st Reading)
 - a. BP 3470 - Debt Issuance and Management
 - b. BP/AR 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance
 - c. Board Bylaw 9321 - Closed Session
 - d. BP/AR 1445 - Response to Immigration Enforcement
 - i. Delete BP/AR 5145.13

G. Consent Agenda

Motion Bloemhof Second Rogers Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

1. Consider approval of the proposed 2026-2027 Academic Calendar
2. Consider approval of the amended 2025-2026 Academic Calendar
3. Consider approval of the J13 Approval (3hr fog delay 1/16/26)
4. Consider approval of the J13 Approval (Fog closure 1/27/26, 2/5/26)
5. Consider approval of the updated management and confidential salary schedule
6. Consider approval of updated Maple Governance Standards Document

H. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the January 8, 2026, Regular Board Meeting

Motion Rogers Second Bloemhof Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

L. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Time: 5:14 PM

Motion Bloemhof Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

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