HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS—MINUTES
April 28, 2026
District Administration Center, 3083 NE 49th Place, Hillsboro, Oregon

1. *EXECUTIVE SESSION*

Board Present:	Staff Present:
Ivette Pantoja, Chair	Rose Roman, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
See Eun Kim, Vice Chair	
Yessica Hardin Mercado	
Patrick Maguire	
Katie Rhyne	
Nancy Thomas	
Mark Watson	

A. Call to Order Executive Session
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja called the meeting to order at 4:53 PM, and moved the Board into executive session under 192.660(2)(i) - Evaluation of the Superintendent

B. ORS 192.660(2)(i) - Evaluation of the Superintendent
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja presented the Board with the contract negotiations. The Board discussed the Superintendent contract. They rejected the offer presented to them and discussed options to further negotiate the contract.

C. ORS 192.660(2)(e) - Real Property Transaction
This agenda item was skipped due to time constraints.

D. ORS 192.660(2)(b) - Complaint Brought Against a Staff Member
This agenda item was skipped due to time constraints.

E. Recess Executive Session
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja moved the Board out of Executive Session and recessed the meeting at 6:12 PM.

2. *BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING*

Board Present:	Staff Present:
Ivette Pantoja, Chair	Travis Reiman, Superintendent
See Eun Kim, Vice Chair	Audrea Neville, Assistant Superintendent, School Performance
Yessica Hardin Mercado	Brooke Nova, Assistant Superintendent, Academic Services
Patrick Maguire	Beth Graser, District Communications Officer
Katie Rhyne	Kona Lew-Williams, District Human Resources Officer
Nancy Thomas	Francesca Sinapi, District Equity, Access, Engagement Officer
Mark Watson	Saideh Haghighi Khochkhou, District Operations Officer
	Scott Harrison, Chief Financial Officer
Student Representatives Present:	Derek Brown, District Information Technology Officer
Hazel Cleveland	Jeff Jones, Director of Business Services
	Brian Haats, Director of Human Resources
Budget Committee Members:	Rose Roman, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
Dustin Rose	Ciara Hartzell, Technology Support
Gaby Villegas	Manuel Cota Gomez, Technology Support
Kristine Adams-Wannberg	Mary Kay Babycock, HEA President
Robert Knoke	Angela Adzima, HEA Vice President
Maria Mondragon-Almy	David Eggleston, HCU President
Paul Sander	Aron Carleson, HSF Foundation
Dinuka Karunaratne	

A. Call to Order
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja called the meeting to order at 6:16 PM

B. Approve Proposed Agenda
Director Katie Rhyne MOVED, SECONDED by Director Nancy Thomas, to approve the Budget Committee agenda as printed.

The MOTION CARRIED (13-0). Approved by unanimous consent – Budget committee members Dustin Rose, Gaby Villegas, Kristine Adams-Wannberg, Robert Knoke, Maria Mondragon-Almy, Paul Sanders, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja were present for the vote. Budget committee member Dinuka Karunaratne was not present.

No further discussion took place

C. Election of Budget Committee Chair
Director See Eun Kim MOVED, SECONDED by Director Nancy Thomas, nominated Ivette Pantoja as the Budget Committee Chair. No further nominations were made, nominations were closed.

Director See Eun Kim MOVED, SECONDED by Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, to elect Ivette Pantoja as the Budget Committee Chair.

The MOTION CARRIED (13-0). Approved by unanimous consent – Budget committee members Dustin Rose, Gaby Villegas, Kristine Adams-Wannberg, Robert Knoke, Maria

Mondragon-Almy, Paul Sanders, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja were present for the vote. Budget committee member Dinuka Karunaratne was not present.

No further discussion took place.

D. Reading of Budget Message
Superintendent Travis Reiman read the 2025-26 Budget Message.

E. Proposed Budget Presentation
District Financial Officer Scott Harrison and Director of Business Services Jeff Jones presented the proposed budget. Board members and budget committee members asked questions and made comments.

F. Budget Committee Discussion
Board members and budget committee members asked questions and made comments. District Financial Officer Scott Harrison and Director of Business Services Jeff Jones answered.

G. Public Input
No public input was received.

H. Action Item: Approve the Proposed Budget Document
Budget Committee member Katie Rhyne MOVED, SECONDED by Mark Watson, approve the proposed budget document.

The MOTION CARRIED (14-0). Budget committee members Dustin Rose, Gaby Villegas, Kristine Adams-Wannberg, Robert Knoke, Maria Mondragon-Almy, Paul Sanders, Dinuka Karunaratne, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja voted in favor.

No further discussion.

I. Review Next Steps
Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrison discussed next steps.

J. Recess Budget Committee Meeting
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja adjourned at 7:18 PM.

2. REGULAR SESSION

Board Present:	Staff Present:
Ivette Pantoja, Chair	Travis Reiman, Superintendent
See Eun Kim, Vice Chair	Audrea Neville, Assistant Superintendent, School Performance
Yessica Hardin Mercado	Brooke Nova, Assistant Superintendent, Academic Services
Patrick Maguire	Beth Graser, District Communications Officer
Katie Rhyne	Kona Lew-Williams, District Human Resources Officer
Nancy Thomas	Francesca Sinapi, District Equity, Access, Engagement Officer
Mark Watson	Saideh Haghighi Khochkhou, District Operations Officer
	Scott Harrison, Chief Financial Officer
Student Representatives Present:	Derek Brown, District Information Technology Officer
Nicole Ayala Congachi	Rose Roman, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
Hazel Cleveland	Ciara Hartzell, Technology Support
Jocelyn Trejo-Reyes, absent	Manuel Cota Gomez, Technology Support
	Mary Kay Babcock, HEA President
Bond Development Committee:	David Eggleston, HCU President
Steve Callaway	
Erika Lopez	
Titonian Wallace	
Shira Long-Strand	

A. Call to Order and Flag Salute
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja reconvened the meeting at 7:26 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Land Acknowledgement
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja read the Land Acknowledgement.

C. Recognitions / Proclamations

1. Asian Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander (ANHPI) Heritage Month
Student Representative Hazel Cleveland read the Asian Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander (ANHPI) Heritage Month Proclamation.

2. National School Nurses Day
Student Representative Nicole Ayala Congachi read the National School Nurses Day Proclamation.

3. Teacher Appreciation Week
Director Mark Watson read the Teacher Appreciation Week Proclamation.

4. Jewish American Heritage Month
Director Yessica Hardin Mercado read the Jewish American Heritage Month Proclamation.

D. Approval of Agenda
Director See Eun Kim MOVED, SECONDED by Director Patrick Maguire, to amend the agenda to removed Action item 1. Complaint Hearing Determination, Action item 4. Approve Superintendent's Contract, and Action item 5. Surplus Acreage Sale Resolution.

The MOTION CARRIED (7-0). Motion approved by unanimous consent. Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja voted to approve.

No further discussion took place.

E. Audience Time

Nine (9) audience members requested to address the Board:
Meg Guerreiro, Megan Dean, Mike V., Stephanie Casagrande, Luis Garza, Louise Plowman, Fabricio Novak, Alicia Heiges, Tessa Bulzan

F. Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items are distributed to Board members in advance for study and enacted with a single motion.

Director Mark Watson MOVED, SECONDED by Director Katie Rhyne, to approve the Consent Agenda as printed.

The MOTION CARRIED (7-0). Motion approved by unanimous consent. Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja voted to approve.

No further discussion took place.

Consent Agenda items were as follows:

1. Approve Minutes of March 4, 2026, Board Meeting
2. Approve Minutes of March 10, 2026, Board Meeting
3. Approve Minutes of April 14, 2026, Board Meeting
4. Approve Routine Personnel Matters
5. Approve 2026-27 Board Meeting Dates
6. Approve Policies
    a. G - Personnel
        1) GCBDD/GDBDD: Sick Time
        Presenter: Kona Lew-Williams

G. Reports

1. Bond Development Committee Recommendation
   Steve Callaway introduced the topic, Shira Long Strand, Titonian Wallace, and Erika Lopez spoke regarding the Bond committee recommendation. Board members asked questions and made comments.

2. Financial Report
   Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrison presented the Financial Report.

3. First Reading - 2027-28 School Calendar
   District Human Resources Officer Kona Lew Williams presented the 2027-28 calendar.

H. Supplemental Budget Hearing

1. Supplemental Budget Hearing

a. Recess Regular Session / Call to Order Budget Hearing

Board Chair Ivette Pantoja recessed the Regular Session of the Hillsboro School District 1J at 8:43 PM and called to order the Supplemental Budget Hearing of the Hillsboro School District 1J at 8:43 PM.

b. Supplemental Budget Hearing - Public Testimony
No audience members requested to give public testimony

c. 2025-26 Supplemental Budget Resolution for Appropriations

Director Katie Rhyne MOVED, SECONDED by Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, that the approve the 2025-26 Supplemental Budget Resolution that includes revised Appropriations for the purposes described by major Fund and Function.

The MOTION CARRIED (7-0). Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja voted to approve.

No further discussion took place.

d. Recess Supplemental Budget Hearing / Call to Order Regular Session

Board Chair Ivette Pantoja recessed the Supplemental Budget Hearing of the Hillsboro School District 1J at 8:45 PM and called to order the Regular Session of the Hillsboro School District 1J at 8:45 PM.

I. Action Items

1. Complaint Hearing Determination
This item was removed from the agenda.

2. Approve 2025-2026 Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Prevention Plan
Director See Eun Kim MOVED, SECONDED by Director Nancy Thomas, that the Board of Directors approve the annual revisions of the Hillsboro School District Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Prevention Plan.

The MOTION CARRIED (7-0). Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja voted to approve.

No further discussion took place.

3. Review Superintendent's Performance and Approve Performance Evaluation
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja read the Superintendent evaluation letter.

Director Patrick Maguire MOVED, SECONDED by Director Mark Watson, that the Board of Directors commend the Superintendent for his leadership of the Hillsboro School District, and direct that the evaluation letter be placed in his personnel file.

The MOTION CARRIED (7-0). Director Patrick Maguire, Director Katie Rhyne, Director Yessica Hardin Mercado, Director Nancy Thomas, Director Mark Watson, Vice Chair See Eun Kim, and Chair Ivette Pantoja voted to approve.

Board members provided comments.

4. Approve Superintendent's Contract
This item was removed from the agenda.

5. Surplus Acreage Sale Resolution
This item was removed from the agenda.

J. Information - Administrative Regulation Update
Superintendent Travis Reiman presented the Administrative Regulation for Board review.

K. HCU / HEA Reports
HCU Membership Officer Ciara Hartzell provided the HCU report.
HEA President Mary Kay Babcock provided the HEA report.

L. Discussion Time

1) Student Representatives' Time
Nicole Ayala Congachi thanked speakers for being here, thanked the District for supporting students and staff, looked forward to graduation, and highlighted the upcoming Proud to Be HSD Festival.

2) Superintendent's Time
Superintendent Travis Reiman thanked parents for coming to advocate for students, thanked members of the calendar and bond committees, highlighted the Crystal Apple Awards and Washington County Chamber of Commerce, thanked Assistant Superintendent Brooke Nova for her leadership in securing a grant of $1 million dollars for summer programming, and gave a shoutout to HCU President David Eggleston for his commitment to students.

3) Board of Directors' Time
Director Mark Watson highlighted school bus driver appreciation day, the Proud to Be HSD Festival on May 9, discussed the recent Governor's announcement, and tough budget times but reminded everyone that PERS is a benefit earned by those in education.
Director Patrick Maguire discussed this evening's comments and highlighted the upcoming Proud the Be HSD Festival.
Director Yessica Hardin Mercado addressed the comments spoken this evening.
Director Nancy Thomas addressed the comments spoken this evening and discussed school funding.
Director Katie Rhyne thanked tonight's speakers, highlighted the Superintendent Coffee Chats, shared appreciation of Superintendent Reiman's trust in his staff members, thanked Assistant Superintendent Audrea Neville for taking her to visit Free Orchards Elementary School this week, highlighted Teacher Appreciation Week, highlighted Hilhi Plant Sale coming up next week, and read a personal statement on the Governor's recent executive order.

Board Vice Chair See Eun Kim discussed the agenda items that were removed from the agenda, thanked Quatama Elementary parents for coming to speak, discussed budget challenges, and asked everyone to continue to advocate for funding at the State level and how important passing the Bond will be, and congratulated Superintendent Travis Reiman for the completion of his first 3 years in his position.
Superintendent Travis Reiman provided some facts on staff impact of the budgets.
Board Chair Ivette Pantoja thanked parents for coming to speak tonight, discussed budget concerns and funding, highlighted the upcoming Proud to Be HSD Festival, visiting Free Orchard Elementary, the impact that staff members have on students, and the Superintendent Coffee Chat.

M. Adjourn Meeting
Chair Ivette Pantoja adjourned the meeting at 9:49 PM.



Approved May 26, 2026