SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

February 11, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

Facilitator Pappalardo called the committee meeting to order in the Cambrian Professional Development Center at 3:03 pm

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Angela Kochiyama, Bev Merrel, Dave Hicks, James Kimure, Linh Nguyen, Natalie Gioco, Nyssa Wickemeyer, Rachele Feller, and Samantha Shiraishi

FACILITORS: Mr. John Pappalardo, Ed.D., Former Chief Financial Officer, and Clarissa Canady. Esq., DWK Attorneys at Law

NOTETAKER: Carlena Grandey

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

ACTION: On a motion by Committee Member Gioco, seconded by Committee Member Merrel, the Committee adopted the February 11, 2026, agenda. Motion **CARRIED** 9-0

Feller-Yes, Gioco-Yes, Hicks-Yes, Kimure-Yes, Kochiyama-Yes, Merrel-Yes, Nguyen-Yes, Shiraishi-Yes, Wickemeyer-Yes

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: On a motion by Committee Member Shiraishi, seconded by Committee Member Kochiyama, the Committee approved the February 4, 2026, meeting minutes. Motion **CARRIED** 9-0

Feller-Yes, Gioco-Yes, Hicks-Yes, Kimure-Yes, Kochiyama-Yes, Merrel-Yes, Nguyen-Yes, Shiraishi-Yes, Wickemeyer-Yes

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Melissa Wuenschel, Cambrian Educational Foundation President, thanked everyone for their hard work and deep commitment throughout this process, as there is no outcome here that feels like a win.

Kaushal Saxena, Sartorette Parent, shared with the committee that transportation and safety considerations should be taken into account if Sartorette is closed.

There were nine public comments or concerns submitted via email or through the School Consolidation Advisory Committee Q&A Form that were forwarded directly to the Committee.

6. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEM

Evaluation of School Consolidation Criteria: The Committee reviewed the school consolidation criteria to establish a shared understanding, submitted individual rankings, and considered the aggregated results.

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Recommendation to the Cambrian Governing Board: The Committee reviewed the findings, discussed potential impacts, and developed a recommendation for the Governing Board. After careful deliberation, the Committee recommended closing Sartorette Elementary School and, to the extent possible, prioritizing Sartorette students for placement at their school of preference as its final recommendation to the Cambrian Governing Board.

ACTION: On a motion by Committee Member Nguyen, seconded by Committee Member Merrel, the Committee approved its final recommendation to the Cambrian Governing Board to close Sartorette Elementary School and, to the extent possible, prioritize Sartorette students for placement at their school of preference. Motion **CARRIED** 9-0

Feller-Yes, Gioco-Yes, Hicks-Yes, Kimure-Yes, Kochiyama-Yes, Merrel-Yes, Nguyen-Yes, Shiraishi-Yes, Wickemeyer-Yes

7. ADJOURNMENT

Facilitator Pappalardo adjourned the Committee meeting at 4:44 p.m.

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****Note: These minutes are unofficial and are being provided for informational purposes only. This was the Committee's final meeting; the minutes were not formally reviewed or approved.****