



MEETING MINUTES

WELCOME TO THE VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL CLOSURES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The School Closures Advisory Committee meetings, proceedings, and deliberations will be open to the public. Meetings have been scheduled from 5:30–8:30PM at the District Office in the Christa McAuliffe Room (Education Service Center, 255 W. Stanley Ave, Ventura, CA) as follows:

May 21, 2026
June 18, 2026
July 16, 2026
August 20, 2026
September 17, 2026

The School Closures Advisory Committee may consider and act on an agenda item in a different order or an item may be considered earlier or later than the estimated time. Additionally, discussion of the agenda items may be postponed to a future meeting. Any individual with a disability, who requires reasonable accommodation to participate in a School Closures Advisory Committee meeting, or any individual requiring an interpreter, may request assistance by emailing VUSDschoolscommittee@venturausd.org or by contacting the Business Services Office, 255 W. Stanley Ave., Suite 100, Ventura, CA 93001; (805)641-5000 ext. 1202.

POSTING INFORMATION

The agenda for regularly scheduled School Closures Advisory Committee meetings will be posted 72 hours prior to the meeting. The School Closures Advisory Committee Agenda is posted at the following locations:

Ventura Unified School District, Education Service Center (Always)
255 W. Stanley Avenue, Suite 100, Ventura, CA, (Guard shack)

This serves as the main posting location pursuant to the Brown Act, Government Code §54954.2(a)

District Web page: <https://www.venturausd.org/about/committees/school-closure-committee>

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:34PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Those in attendance were:

Stephanie Caldwell

Sara Cameron

Maruja Clensay

Jorge DeLeon

Kathryn Heller
Kevin Herrera
Melanie Lindsey
Sandy Lomeli Harrison
Sarah McLaughlin
Carol Peek
Andrea Rodriguez
Sydney Traub
Emmanuel Velazquez
Annette Walters
Monica West
Stacey Whitaker

Absent:

Kevin Corse
Evaristo Escoto
Oscar Gomez
Kristin Ippolito
Peggy Maryanski
Kathlyn Mundo-Garrafa
Jeanette Park

VUSD Support Staff:

Dr. Antonio Castro
Dr. Ahsan Mirza
Marieanne Quiroz
Victoria Cortez
Ryan Hughes
Eric Reynolds
Marina Verdian

Additional Presenter:

Ken Reynolds of SchoolWorks, Inc.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Approval of the agenda.

Motion made by: Carol Peek

Motion seconded by: Melanie Lindsey

Voting: Unanimously Approved

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment.

V. CONSENT

i. Consideration of committee minutes.

Approval of the minutes.

Motion made by: Melanie Lindsey

Motion seconded by: Carol Peek

Voting: Unanimously Approved

VI. CONFERENCE

i. Review, Recap and Update for Criterion 1-6 Scoring and Ranking of School Sites

A recap of the 4/23/26 meeting regarding school rankings and updates to the demographer's report was provided due to a discrepancy in capacity and loaded classroom counts. The demographer's report and presentation were revised and shared with the committee. Additional resources regarding classroom usage at all sites under consideration were also provided, along with the classroom usage report.

ii. Presentation of Facilities

The Facilities presentation was led by Marina Verdian, Director of Facilities; Eric Reynolds, Director of Risk Management; and Ryan Hughes, Bond Program Manager. School site facilities were reviewed, including year built, acreage, and building area. The Long-Range Master Plan and site needs were also reviewed.

Williams Inspection results were shared, including an example of the Facilities Inspection Tool used to assess site scores. The committee reviewed bond expenditures for sites from 2023 to 2025, including projects related to solar, HVAC, roofing, playgrounds, and LED lighting. The committee also discussed Board-approved scheduled projects that are pending.

Historical investments, unique facilities, support spaces, and environmental factors for sites were reviewed. Additionally, lease revenue and expenses were presented to the committee.

iii. Scoring and Ranking of School Sites Criterion 7-12

The committee reviewed and discussed the ranking of school sites based on criterion 7–13. Members engaged in open and collaborative discussion.

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09PM.

Motion made by: Carol Peek

Motion seconded by: Melanie Lindsey

Voting: Unanimously Approved