

**KINGSBURG ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

Monday, April 13, 2026

**Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District Professional Development Building
1310 Stroud Avenue
Kingsburg, California 93631**

4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

PUBLIC SESSION AND PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDIZED AND NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
President, Reverend Edward Ezaki, called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Reverend Edward Ezaki, President
Karyll Smith Quinn, Clerk
Constance Lunde, Member
Brad Bergstrom, Member
Frank Yanes, Member

District Administrators Present:

Wesley Sever, Ed.D., Superintendent
Matt Stovall, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction, Special Projects
Bobby Rodriguez, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Erin Pasillas, Director of Special Education & Student Services
Sarah Ballard, Director of Human Resources
Jason Wood, Director of Technology
Laura North, Director of English Language and Expanded Learning Opportunities
Linda Simmons, Community Schools Coordinator

2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Contemplative Silence
4. Approval of Agenda:

Moved: Mr. Yanes, Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom, to approve the April 13, 2026, Board agenda with a correctios to the March 9, 2026 minutes.

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

DISCUSSION

5. Superintendent's Report
 - 5.1 Communications/Recognitions

- 5.1.1 Enrollment is up by 37 students from last year, demonstrating continuous growth in the District.
- 5.1.2 Rafer Johnson Junior High's recent play, *Dare to Dream*, was a phenomenal success. Jacob Pasalakis and the talented students and staff were congratulated.
- 5.1.3 Students at Roosevelt Elementary were treated to an *Animals in our Community* presentation by Laura Lutz, Burris Park Outdoor Education Teacher.
- 5.1.4 The Kingsburg Chamber of Commerce honored Laura North as Citizen of the Year and Michelle Stone as Educator of the Year.
- 5.1.5 Sarah Ballard, Director of Human Resources has completed over 70 hours in strategic employment training with The ACSA Personnel Administrators Academy, gaining a tremendous amount of knowledge.
- 5.1.6 In partnership with Fresno State, eight parents/caregivers graduated from our Digital Literacy course, each receiving a Chromebook to support home-to-school connectivity.
- 5.1.7 The Beyond the Bell Folklorico dancers (Lincoln and Reagan schools) celebrated their successful inaugural public performance.
- 5.1.8 Rafer Johnson Junior High held its annual staff and student Easter Egg Hunt. The student golden egg included a \$25 Dutch Gift Card and the staff golden egg included at \$100 Cheyenne's Gift Card. The Junior High thanks the community for their generous donations.
- 5.1.9 The book study with the Island Community Day School students, staff and Dr. Sever was completed with a celebration of pickle ball and pizza.
- 5.1.10 Another Success Together Family night took place with Magnet Mania; the next event will be in April and focuses on robotics.
- 5.1.11 Beyond the Bell put on another amazing, Cook out with a Cop event. The event successfully brought together Beyond the Bell students and local officers for community building.
- 5.1.12 Our administrators, teachers, staff and students are working hard to get ready for CAASPP/CAST testing next month.
- 5.1.13 Linda Simmons and Erin Pasillas have been selected as presenters for the upcoming 2026 National Community Schools and Family Engagement Conference with over 4,000 educators and leaders attending. The team will be hosting a breakout session titled, "Fearlessly Navigating Authentic Engagement and Collaborative Leadership." They will have the opportunity to showcase the great work happening in Kingsburg.
- 5.1.14 The Student Services team received the "Heart of Inclusion 2026 Elevate Award," at the SIP Spring Institute.
- 5.1.15 Erin Pasillas, Director of Special Education and Student Services was named as finalist for Administrator of the Year for Fresno County.

6. Assistant Superintendent- Curriculum & Instruction, Special Projects' Report

- 6.1. We are currently partnering with Lisa Clark (Fresno County Superintendent of Schools) to refine our district-wide literacy process. Our primary objective is to cultivate strong instructional leaders to spearhead these changes. We are establishing a clear, cohesive TK–3 Literacy Roadmap to ensure vertical alignment across grade levels. We are adhering to state requirements for risk screening.
- 6.2. DIBELS will now be implemented for TK–2nd grade to provide critical reading data, while 3rd grade will continue to utilize the DRA to monitor student progress.
- 6.3. Instructionally, the district is prioritizing foundational literacy by implementing Heggerty for phonemic awareness and UFLI Foundations for phonics. Teachers will be provided with enhanced resources, including decodable books and phonics tools. The district remains committed to a small-group mindset.
- 6.4. Matt concluded his report, expressing his gratitude to the Board for their ongoing support of these vital academic initiatives.

7. Assistant Superintendent- Business Services' Report

- 7.1. School Lunch Hero Day is Friday, May 1st. Bricki McNulty has come up with some wonderful ideas on how to honor our Child Nutrition Team. We also want to recognize Monica Garcia for her continued commitment to scratch cooking. The recent glazed chicken and rice pilaf were a hit and not a single leftover was in sight!

7.2. Site Improvements:

- 7.2.1. Rafer Johnson Junior High- Over Spring Break, the Rafer Gym received a much-needed facelift. The original paint was replaced, giving the space a brighter, cleaner feel. A huge shout-out to our MOT Department, who did an amazing job cleaning and refurbishing the existing grates.
- 7.2.2. Rafer Johnson Junior High- For the first time since its installation, the infield of the track has been professionally dethatched. This process removed the "spongy" buildup, allowing for healthier grass growth.
- 7.2.3. Island Community Day School- The concrete from the corner has been removed to make way for a new green space. We are currently exploring options for shade to make the area more functional for students.
- 7.2.4. Roosevelt School: MOT installed a beautiful new metal sign for Mr. Marshall in the main hallway. It looks fantastic and adds a great touch to the campus.
- 7.2.5. As of April 3, we received "Permission to Operate" (PTO) for solar across all district sites. We hope to partner with Jones Hall to navigate the tax credit and rebate process. We will file after the start of the new fiscal year (July 1).

8. Board Member Reports

- 8.1. Mr. Yanes thought the, *Dare to Dream*, play was phenomenal and could see audience and family members were thrilled.
- 8.2. Mrs. Smith Quinn thought the Open Houses were great.

9. First Readings

- 9.1. BP/AR 1445: Response to Immigration Enforcement
- 9.2. BP 4151, 4251, 4351: Employee Compensation

Following a presentation of the proposed regulations, Board members would like to see how other districts are implementing BP 4151, 4251 and 4351 before a second approval.

ACTION

10. Consent Agenda

- 10.1. Minutes – March 9, 2026 Board Meeting
- 10.2. Minutes – March 18, 2026 Special Board Meeting
- 10.3. Cash Balances
- 10.4. Budget Report
- 10.5. Accounts Payable Report
- 10.6. Consider Approval of 2026-2027 Employee Stipend Schedule
- 10.7. Consider Approval of Revised KECSD Workplace Violence Prevention Plan
- 10.8. Consider Approval of Agreement for Fresno State Parent University
- 10.9. Consider Approval of Quote for Decodable Books at Lincoln Elementary
- 10.10. Consider Approval of 2026 -2028 Continued Partnership with Borchardt, Corona,
- 10.11. Faeth & Zakarian for Independent Financial Auditors to the District
- 10.12. Consider Approval of Donation from Kingsburg Historical Park for VR Headsets for the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program

Items 10.1.- 10.13:

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mrs. Lunde

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

BUSINESS SERVICES

11. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 26-10: In the Matter of Increasing Developer Fees on Residential, Commercial and New Construction and Additions

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

12. Consider Approval of 2027-2028 MOU with VROP for CTEIG Grant for the CTE Program at Rafer Johnson Junior High

Moved: Mrs. Lunde; Seconded: Mr. Yanes

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

13. Consider Approval of 2026-2027 Contract with Scout Edu, Inc. for Independent Study Requirement for Central Valley Home School

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mr. Yanes

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

14. Consider Approval of Agreement with Isom Advisors Consulting Services for Disclosure Services for the District

Moved: Mr. Bergstrom; Seconded: Mr. Yanes

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

15. Consider Approval of Agreement with SitelogIQ, Inc. for Solar Sites at the District

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Ms. Lunde

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

16. Consider Approval of Quote for Teaching Fellows for the June and July Summer Program

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Ms. Bergstrom

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

17. Consider Approval of Quote from Scholastic LitCamp for Summer Program

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mrs. Smith Quinn

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

HUMAN RESOURCES

18. Consider Approval of Employer Partnership MOU with REACH University

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mrs. Smith Quinn

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

19. Consider Approval of 2026-2027 Annual Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

Moved: Mr. Bergstrom; Seconded: Mrs. Lunde

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

20. Consider Approval of 2026-2027 Staffing List

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

21. Consider Approval of 2026-2027 Salary Schedules

21.1. Certificated Management

21.2. Pupil Personnel Services

21.3. Certificated Preschool

21.4. Certificated

21.5. Classified Management/Supervisory/Confidential Salary Schedule

21.6. Classified

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

22. Consider Approval of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

Moved: Mrs. Lunde; Seconded: Mrs. Smith Quinn

Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;

Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

23. Consider Approval of Board Policies/Administrative Regulations/Exhibits

23.1. AR 0450: Comprehensive Safety Plan

23.2. AR 4114: Transfers

23.3. Exhibit 4119.21E(1): Professional Standards

23.4. Exhibit 4219.21E(1): Professional Standards

23.5. AR 5145.2: Freedom of Speech

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mrs. Smith Quinn

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

AR 5145.2: Freedom of Speech
PUBLIC COMMENT

24. Public Comment on Agendized and Non-Agendized Items

24.1. Fresno County Superintendent candidate Dr. Eimear O'Brien presented to the Board, sharing her strategic vision and goals for the upcoming elected position.

25. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting:

Monday, May 11, 2026, 4:00 p.m., Professional Development Building

CLOSED SESSION

26. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Government Code Section 54957)

27. Anticipated & Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(b)) & (d)(1)

28. Public Employee Employment (Government Code Section 54957)

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29.1. Certificated Personnel

29.1.1. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Jessica Villalobos Cuna, 6th Grade Teacher, Reagan Elementary School

29.1.2. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Kristen Carhart, 3rd Grade Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School

29.1.3. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Angie Hernandez-Ramirez, 2nd Grade Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School

29.1.4. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Tanvir Sekhon, 2nd Grade Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School

29.1.5. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Travis Preston, 3rd Grade Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School

29.1.6. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Madelyn Ramirez, 5th Grade Teacher, Reagan Elementary School

29.1.7. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Benjamin Pedersen, 5th Grade Teacher, Reagan Elementary School

29.2. Classified Personnel

29.2.1. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Abigail East, Paraprofessional, Washington Elementary

29.2.2. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Shayla Luna, Paraprofessional, Rafer Johnson Junior High

- 29.2.3. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Flor Alexandra Lopez-Chavez, Paraprofessional- Categorical, Reagan School
- 29.2.4. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Feliza Gaytan, Teacher, Washington Preschool
- 29.2.5. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Domingo Sepeda, Paraprofessional- Categorical, Washington School
- 29.2.6. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Angie Hernandez-Ramirez ,Assistant Secretary, Expanded Learning and English Learner Department
- 29.2.7. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Shelby Guizar ,Paraprofessional- RSP, Special Education
- 29.2.8. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Kennia Bejarano ,Paraprofessional, Categorical, Washington School
- 29.2.9. Consider Approval of Personnel Report: Substitute Employees and Coaches

30. Pupil Personnel

- 30.1. Consider Interdistrict Transfer Requests (Pursuant to Education Code 48204, 35146)
 - 30.1.1. Consider Approval of 2025-26 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program
 - 30.1.2. Consider Approval of 2025-26 New Attendance Requests – Central Valley Home School
 - 30.1.3. Consider Approval of 2026-27 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program
 - 30.1.4. Consider Approval of 2026-27 Renewal Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

ACTION

31. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session:

Action taken on agenda item 29.1.1- 29.1.7:

Moved: Mr. Bergstrom; Seconded: Mr. Yanes to take the following action:

- Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Jessica Villalobos Cuna, 6th Grade Teacher, Reagan Elementary School
- Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Kristen Carhart, 3rd Grade Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School
- Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Angie Hernandez-Ramirez, 2nd Grade Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School
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Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

Action taken on agenda item 29.2.1- 29.2.9:

Moved: Mrs. Lunde; Seconded: Mrs. Smith Quinn to take the following action:

- Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Abigail East, Paraprofessional, Washington Elementary
- Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Shayla Luna, Paraprofessional, Rafer Johnson Junior High
- Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Flor Alexandra Lopez-Chavez, Paraprofessional- Categorical, Reagan School
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Motion Carried: 5-0

Action taken on agenda items 30.1.1 – 30.1.6:

Moved: Mrs. Lunde; Seconded: Mrs. Smith Quinn, to take the following action:

- Approved 2025-26 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program
- Approved 2025-26 New Attendance Requests – Central Valley Home School
- Approved 2026-27 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program
- Approved 2026-27 Renewal Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Rev. Ezaki – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes; Mr. Yanes – Yes;

Motion Carried: 5-0

32. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.