



BLUE RIDGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #32

REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 2026

Members Present: David Merrill, President; Michael Granillo, Vice President, excused; Margaret Gabe, Member; Sylviana Stebbins, Member, excused; Bridget Wood, Member

Others Present: Jonathan Rohloff, Superintendent of Schools; Courtney Hoffmeyer, Business Manager; members of the administrative staff of Blue Ridge Unified School District.

1. Opening Ceremony

Pledge of Allegiance @ 5:00 pm by David Merrill

Recognition of Arielle Pineda

We would like to recognize Arielle Pineda, a 6th-grade student, for earning second place in the Pulitzer Center Poetry Writing Contest. This outstanding achievement reflects her creativity, dedication, and talent as a writer.

2. **Consent Agenda** Motion to approve by Margaret Gabe, seconded by Bridget Wood, passed by unanimous vote-David Merrill, Margaret Gabe, Bridget Wood. Item 2.7 voted on separately.

2. 1. **Minutes**

Minutes of the Regular Governing Board meeting held on July 14, 2026, Governing Board meeting held for the Board's approval or correction.

2. 2. **Vouchers and Monthly Finance Reports (July)**

Before approval at each Governing Board meeting, Governing Board members may review vouchers. Vouchers represent orders for payment of materials, equipment, salaries, and service vouchers:

Approve Payroll Voucher

2	138,254.35
3	156,874.85

Total \$ 295,129.20

Approve Expense Vouchers:

7037	104,379.26
7038	15,771.00
7039	50,772.64
8000	293,293.52
8001	96,792.98

Total \$ 561,009.40

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Approve Student Activity & Auxiliary Operation Vouchers:

1113	283.21
1114	574.13
2000	12,999.19
2001	2,900.00
2002	797.42

Total \$ 17,553.95

2.3. Recommendation to Approve the New Hires (all replacement positions)

The superintendent recommends the Governing Board approve the following employees for hire:

- Francis Macomber, Bus Driver, Transportation
- Jocelyn Hawkins, Teacher, Elementary School
- Gabriel Moya, Teacher, Elementary School
- Sarah Truax, Teacher, Elementary School
- Nicole Buckles, Teacher, Elementary School
- Jimena Marquez, Instructional Assistant, Elementary School
- Meghan Perez, Behavior Interventionist, Elementary School
- Mark Cotellesse, Behavior Interventionist, Junior High School
- Warren Alford, Teacher, Junior High School
- Michelle Gonzales, Teacher, High School
- William Byers, Teacher, High School
- Shawn Hughes, Teacher, High School

2.4. Recommendation to Approve the Resignation and Retirement of the Employees as Presented

The superintendent recommends that the Governing Board approve the resignation and retirement of the employees listed, with appreciation for their service to the District.

- Asaiah Long, Technology Assistant, Technology Department. (attend college)
- Joyce Cox, CTE Department, High School. (retirement)

2.5. Recommendation to Approve the Addition of Two Courses to the Junior High School Course Content Book

The superintendent recommends that the Governing Board approve the addition of the following two courses to the Junior High School Course Content Book effective for the 2026-2027 School Year. Dr. Johnson will be available for questions:

- Financial Literacy
- Digital Citizenship

2.6. Recommendation to Approve the Donation as Presented

The superintendent recommends that the Governing Board approve the donation as presented, with appreciation for the donor's generosity and support of the District:

- First Quality Glass, \$1000.00 dollars to assist with parking passes for High School students effective for the 2026-2027 School Year. High Country Signs created the student parking passes for our students.

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2.7. Recommendation to Approve the Prop 301 Plan for the 2026-2027 School Year

The superintendent recommends that the Governing Board approve the 2026-2027 Prop 301 Plan. This is an annual approval item required to establish the allocation and distribution of Prop 301 funds for the upcoming school year. Courtney Hoffmeyer, Business Manager, will be available for questions.

The amount of the allocation changed to \$10,000.00. Motion to approve by Margaret Gabe, seconded by Bridget Wood, passed by unanimous vote: David Merrill, Margaret Gabe, Bridget Wood.

3. Business

3.1. Recommendation to Approve Disposal of Obsolete Printer Equipment

The superintendent recommends that the Governing Board approve disposal of obsolete printer equipment. Courtney Hoffmeyer, Business Manager, is available for questions.

Motion to approve by Bridget Wood, seconded by Margaret Gabe, passed by unanimous vote: David Merrill, Margaret Gabe, Bridget Wood.

3.2. Recommendation to Approve a Revision to Policy 5-215 Loss and Damage Deposits

The superintendent recommends that the Governing Board approve a revision to Policy 5-215-Loss and Damage Deposits. The Deposit Waiver section of the current policy will be amended to read “as determined by the Business Manager”.

Motion to approve by Margaret Gabe, seconded by Bridget Wood. Passed by unanimous vote: David Merrill, Margaret Gabe, Bridget Wood.

3.3. Recommendation to Approve Special Services Therapy Providers for the 2026-2027 School Year

The superintendent recommends that the Governing Board approve the Special Services Therapy Providers effective for the 2026-2027 school year as presented. Cindy Rothlisberger, SPED Director, is available for questions:

- Occupational Therapy-Eleutheria, LLC Point Quest Group, Seagull Student Services, Vocovision
- Physical Therapy-White Mountain Physical Therapy, Eleutheria, LLC Point Quest Group, Vocovision
- Speech-Language Therapy-Kathy Lacapa-Boegl, Julia Watson, Eleutheria, LLC Point Quest Group
- School Psychologist-Juniper Educational Services, LLC, FamFirst Counseling Services, LLC, Vocovision

Motion to approve by Margaret Gabe, seconded by Bridget Wood. Passed by unanimous vote: David Merrill, Margaret Gabe, Bridget Wood.

4. Superintendents Report

- 166,118 Meals served to the community this summer
- Welcome Back Nights
- First Day of School
- District Updates

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5. Call to the Public

The public is invited to make comments to, or requests of, the Governing Board regarding items that are not listed at this time elsewhere on the Agenda. Those wishing to address the Board are asked to submit a Request to Address the Governing Board form, available from the secretary to the Governing Board. Members of the Board may not discuss items, not on the Agenda. Therefore, action taken as a result of the public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. The Operating Rules of the Public are as follows: The individual time limit is three minutes per person, and time cannot be seeded to another individual.

None

6. Announcements

The Board will be provided with calendar items concerning future meeting dates and other information concerning the Governing Board. **Special Board meeting to be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2026 at 5:00 pm. Regular Governing Board meeting to be held on September 8, 2026 at 5:00 pm.**

7. Adjournment @ 5:53 pm Motion to adjourn by Margaret Gabe, seconded by Bridget Wood. Passed by unanimous vote: David Merrill, Margaret Gabe, Bridget Wood

Dated August 14, 2026

Respectfully submitted by,
Mary L. Ford
Board Secretary