

Hanford Elementary School District
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
August 26, 2026

The Regular Board Meeting of the Hanford Elementary School District Board of Trustees was held on August 26, 2026, at the District Office Board Room, 714 N. White Street, Hanford, California.

Call to Order President Garner called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were Clerk Hernandez, Trustee Garcia, and Trustee Strickland. Vice President Revious was absent.

HESD Managers Present Joy C. Gabler, Superintendent, and the following administrators were present: Kristina Baldwin, Kelly Bekedam, David Endo, Amy Fochetti, Matt Gamble, Robert Heugly, Jennifer Levinson, Chris Martinez, Jaime Martinez, Miranda Mendoza, Daniel Pierotte, Jill Rubalcava, Cruz Sanchez-Leal, and Jay Strickland.

Closed Session Comments None

PRESENTATION, REPORTS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

Public Comments No comments were made.

Board and Staff Comments No comments were made.

Dates to Remember President Garner reviewed the following dates: Elementary Back-to-School Night – August 27; Holiday-Labor Day – September 7; Regular Board Meeting – September 9.

CONSENT ITEMS

Trustee Garcia made a motion to consider Consent Items "a" through "d" collectively. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Trustee Garcia then made a motion to approve Consent Items "a" through "d". Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Approved items are as follows:

- a) Warrant listings dated July 7, 2026, and July 14, 2026
- b) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on August 12, 2026
- c) Interdistrict transfers as recommended
- d) Donation:
 - \$2,500.00 from FAST Credit Union – School Sponsorship to Ramsey Solutions to Woodrow Wilson

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Monthly Financial Report** a) David Endo, Chief Business Official, presented for information the monthly financial reports for the period of 07/01/2026-07/31/2026. He stated there was no beginning balance reflected in the report because the prior-year financials had not yet been approved and the beginning balances would be established upon approval.
- AR 3440** b) David Endo, Chief Business Official, presented for information the revised Administrative Regulation 3440 – Inventories.
- BP 1240** c) Jaime Martinez, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented for information the revised Board Policy 1240 – Volunteer Assistance.

BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATION

- Bricks-4-Kidz** a) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve a Consultant Contract with Bricks-4-Kidz to provide instruction to 3rd and 4th grade students in the READY Expanded Learning Program. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes
- Hanford PD** b) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Hanford Police Department for the Junior Explorer Program during READY Expanded Learning Program. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes
- The Karate School** c) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve a Consultant Contract with Evan Calhoun, The Karate School to provide instruction to 1st through 3rd grade students in the READY Expanded Learning Program. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Clay Cafe

- d) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve a Consultant Contract with Adina Escarsega, Clay Café to provide instruction to TK through 2nd grade students in the READY Expanded Learning Program. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Eager Music

- e) Trustee Strickland made a motion to approve a Consultant Contract with Eager Music to provide instruction to 1st and 2nd grade students in the READY Expanded Learning Program. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Jeff Fabry

- f) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve a Consultant Contract with Jeff Fabry, Paralympic Gold Medalist and Archery Instructor to provide enrichment to Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary students after school. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

EPCC

- g) Trustee Strickland made a motion to approve a Service Agreement with Educational Professionals of Central California to provide an Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) for students. Trustee Garcia seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Surplus

- h) Trustee Strickland made a motion to declare district property surplus. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes

Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

**OnStage
Theatre**

- i) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding, Instructional Consultant Contract, Agency Agreement with Tulare County Office of Education OnStage Theatre Company to provide afterschool enrichment to elementary schools. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

BP 1312.3

- j) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Board Policy 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

AR 1312.4

- k) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Administrative Regulation 1312.4 – Williams Complaint Procedures. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

**BP 4111/4211/
4311**

- l) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Board Policy 4111/4211/4311 – Recruitment and Selection. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

AR 4112/4212

- m) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Administrative Regulation 4112/4212 – Appointment and Condition of Employment. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes

Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

- AR 4112.5/
4212.5/4312.5** n) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve revised Administrative Regulation 4112.5/4212.5/4312.5 – Criminal Record Check. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

- AR 4112.6/
4212.6/4312.6** o) Trustee Hernandez made a motion to approve the revised Administrative Regulation 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 – Personnel Files. Trustee Garcia seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

- E 4112.9/
4212.9/4312.9** p) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Exhibit 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 – Employee Notification. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

- BP & E
4119.21/
4219.21/
4319.21** q) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Board Policy and Exhibit 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 – Professional Standards. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

- BP 4119.24/
4219.24/
4319.24** r) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the new Board Policy 4119.24/4219.24/4319.24 – Maintaining Appropriate Adult – Student Interaction. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

PERSONNEL

Trustee Garcia made a motion to consider Personnel Items "a" through "c" together. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Trustee Garcia then made a motion to approve Personnel Items "a" through "c". Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Item "a" – Employment

The following items were approved:

Classified

- Zoey Chmielewski, Special Education Aide – 5.0 hrs., Lincoln, effective 08/11/26
- Rachelle DeSousa, Special Education Aide – 5.0 hrs., Roosevelt, effective 08/11/26
- Christina Landeros, Special Education Aide – 5.0 hrs., Richmond, effective 08/11/26
- Esbeyda Lopez, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Jefferson, effective 08/06/26
- Jessyca Madrid, Special Education Aide – 5.0 hrs., Richmond, effective 08/11/26
- Karen Martinez, Special Circumstances Aide – 5.75 hrs., Hamilton, effective 08/11/26
- Marlene Mendoza, Special Circumstances Aide – 5.75 hrs., Lincoln, effective 08/11/26
- Ileana Molina, Special Education Aide – 5.0 hrs., Wilson, effective 08/11/26
- Ti'Mira Moore, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Richmond, effective 08/06/26
- Samantha Rivas, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Monroe, effective 08/06/26
- Angelina Rodriguez, Yard Supervisor – 2.5 hrs., Monroe, effective 08/11/26
- Mandy Sur, Special Circumstances Aide – 5.75 hrs., Jefferson, effective 08/11/26
- Yvonne Waddell, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Richmond, effective 08/06/26
- Miriam Zuniga Lopez, Bilingual Clerk Typist II – 5.0 hrs., Hanford Elementary Online Charter, effective 08/07/26

Temporary Employees/Substitute

- Maria Carrasco, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 08/14/26
- Alexandria Lewis, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 08/12/26
- Alyssa Rodriguez, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 08/13/26
- Alondra Verduzco, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 08/12/26

Promotion/Transfer

- Gladys Aldaco Parada, from Paraprofessional (TK/K) – 7.0 hrs., Lincoln, to Library/Media Technician – 8.0 hrs., Lincoln, effective 08/17/26

More Hours/Days

- Karina Mendez Solorio, from Bus Driver - 4.5 hrs., Transportation, to Bus Driver – 6.0 hrs., Transportation, effective 08/12/26
- Anessa Valdivia, from Yard Supervisor – 2.75 hrs., Monroe, to Yard Supervisor – 3.5 hrs., Monroe, effective 08/11/26

Item "b" – Resignations

Classified

- Addie Barraza, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Washington, effective 9/11/26
- Julie Gonzales, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Washington, effective 08/11/26
- Stephen Reyes, Substitute Alternative Education Program Aide and READY Program Tutor, effective 06/05/26
- Janette Saldana, Food Service Worker I – 3.0 hrs., Lincoln, effective 08/10/26
- Carrie Serna, Yard Supervisor – 3.5 hrs., Monroe, effective 06/05/26
- Viviana Solorio, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Richmond, effective 08/21/26
- Sandra Torres, Yard Supervisor – 2.0 hrs., King, effective 06/05/26
- Yarely Torres, READY Program Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Richmond, effective 06/05/26

Item "c" – Volunteers

Name

School

Margarita Stevens (HESD EE)

Hamilton

Shannon Loewen (HESD EE)

Richmond

Veronica Porraz (HESD EE)

Simas

FINANCIAL

**2025-26
Unaudited
Actuals
Financial Report**

David Endo, Chief Business Official, presented the 2025–2026 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report. The highlights he reviewed include:

- Unrestricted General Fund ending balance of \$38.3 million.
- Restricted General Fund ending balance of \$24.0 million with \$9.0 million of that is for the after-school program.
- There is over \$4.3 million in one-time grants expended.
- Enrollment has shrunk by 8. Our funded average daily attendance (ADA) was 5,327.69 but our actual ADA is 5,298.65.

David also reviewed the General Fund budget comparison between the Second Interim Report and the Unaudited Actuals. Notable differences included an increase in the unduplicated pupil percentage, \$840,000 in funding for the electric bus grant that is still pending, \$92,000 in electrical expenses, \$1.532 million in instructional materials, and \$654,000 for Central Kitchen upgrades. He also reviewed the total General Fund, including a side-by-side comparison of unrestricted and restricted funds. Other District funds remain healthy.

Lastly, he reviewed what to look forward to for the 2026–2027 school year:

- First-day enrollment is 99 students less than the prior year.
- 2026–2027 funded ADA is projected to increase by 7 ADA based on the prior three-year ADA guarantee.
- Federal funding continues to be uncertain moving forward.
- The 2026–2027 District Budget includes \$7.2 million in one-time revenues.
- The 2026–2027 District Budget includes a \$2.8 million surplus.
- \$2.1 million in General Fund interest is budgeted, down from \$2.7 million.
- Construction projects include Monroe and Washington Elementary Schools and Central Kitchen electrical upgrades.

President Garner asked about the impact of TK expansion on enrollment and what the District's overall enrollment would look like without the expansion.

- a) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the Unaudited Actuals Financial Report for 2025-26. Trustee Strickland seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

- Resolution No. 6-27** b) Trustee Strickland made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 06-27: Approval of 2025-2026 Budget Revisions. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

**Classroom
Teacher
Salaries**

- c) Trustee Strickland made a motion to approve the request for exemption from the required expenditure for classroom teachers' salaries. Trustee Garcia seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

- Resolution No. 7-27** d) Trustee Garcia made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 07-27: Gann Limit. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

**KC Treasurer's
Quarterly
Compliance
Report**

- e) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the Kings County Treasurer's Quarterly Compliance Report with an interest rate of 3.7%. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

KC Government Accounting Standard 31 Report f) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the Kings County's Government Accounting Standard 31 Report. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Claim for Damages g) Trustee Strickland made a motion to approve claim for damages. Trustee Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Yes
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Absent
Strickland – Yes

Adjournment There being no further business, President Garner adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy C. Gabler,
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Approved:


Trustee Garcia, Acting President


Lupe Hernandez, Clerk