Orange USD

Regular Board Meeting
08/13/2026 05:00 PM
1401 N. Handy Street, Bldg. H
Orange, CA
92867

MEETING MINUTES

4:00 p.m. - Site open and public permitted on campus
4:30 p.m. - Board rooms open
4:30 p.m. - Public comment cards available (until 7:00 p.m.)
5:00 p.m. - Opening session - https://bit.ly/BOE_English
5:00 p.m. - Closed Session - Conference Room Bldg. B
7:00 p.m. - Open Session - https://bit.ly/BOE_English

El enlace para los procedimientos del Consejo en espanol: https://bit.ly/BOE_Espanol Enlace de interpretacion en espanol en persona (solo audio): https://audio-widget.kudoway.com/77011793088

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The time allowed for those who made requests to speak will be as follows:
a. 1-10 speakers will each be allowed three (3) minutes each.
b. 11-15 speakers will each be allowed two (2) minutes each.
c. 16-30 or more speakers will each be allowed one (1) minute each.

The number of speakers to any agenda or non-agenda item will be determined just before the time that the item is considered, and speakers must be present to be counted in the total. District students who have presented requests to speak will be allowed to speak before other individuals who have also requested to speak. Individual speaking time may not be reduced to less than one(1) minute. Those who presented requests to speak but could not be accommodated within the allotted thirty (30) minutes will be allowed one (1) minute each to speak before adjournment. Public Comments on non-agenda items that are within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will occur after consideration of Action items, Information/Discussion items, and Consent items.

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Attendance

Voting Members
Stephen Glass Ed.D., Board President
Kris Erickson J.D., Board Member
Sara Pelly, Board Clerk
Andrea Yamasaki, Board Vice President
Ana Martinez Goodlander, Board Member
Matthew Thomas, Board Member
Sierra Vane Ph.D., Board Member **Absent**

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1. OPENING ITEMS

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm.

B. Establish Quorum

There were six members present for a quorum: Kris Erickson, Stephen Glass, Ana Martinez Goodlander, Sara Pelly, Matthew Thomas, Andrea Yamasaki. Trustee Sierra Vane was absent.

C. Public Comments on Closed Session Items

There were no public comments on closed session items.

D. Adjourn to Closed Session

Board President Glass adjourned to Closed Session at 5:03 p.m.

2. CLOSED SESSION

A. Public Employee Appointment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release - Government Code §54957

B. Conference with Labor Negotiators - Government Code § 54957.6

C. Conference with legal counsel pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9

3. REGULAR SESSION

A. Call Regular Session to Order

The regular session was called to order at 7:03 pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Report of Closed Session Decisions

During Closed Session, the Board took action on the following items:

Item 2A: Public Employee Appointment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release — Government Code §54957: The Board of Education announced the following appointments: Kristi Dorf to the position of Assistant Principal, High School and Richard Ireland to the position of Assistant Principal, Elementary School. The vote was 6-0.

Item 2C: Conference with legal counsel pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9: The Board of Education voted to reject Claim no. 675775 for alleged damages pursuant to Government Code section 910, et. seq. The vote was 6-0.

D. Adoption of Agenda

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the August 13, 2026, Regular Board Meeting agenda, as presented.

Motion made by: Matthew Thomas
Motion seconded by: Sara Pelly
Voting results: Unanimously Approved

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

A. CSEA Report

CSEA President Mr. Villa recognized the classified and certificated employees whose work supports Orange Unified students and families each day. He emphasized the importance of strengthening relationships among classified and certificated employees, their respective unions, and the District. Mr. Villa shared

that when employees feel respected, supported, and heard, the entire District is strengthened and students ultimately benefit.

B. OUEA Report

OUEA President Ms. Barone expressed appreciation for the District's investment in elementary school facilities and recognized staff efforts to prepare campuses and classrooms for the new school year. She raised concerns regarding construction-related classroom access, required training time, and the convocation schedule, emphasizing the importance of proactive communication and including educators in planning and decision-making. Ms. Barone also expressed appreciation for District leadership's responsiveness in addressing recent concerns and reaffirmed OUEA's commitment to continued collaboration and a successful school year.

C. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Monárrez recognized Anna Sotelo, a fourth-grade dual immersion teacher at Jordan Academy of Language & Computer Science, as the UC Davis C-STEM Teacher of the Year for her contributions to STEM and computing education. She highlighted preparations for the 2026–27 school year, including summer facility improvements, and thanked the Board for its investment of more than $40 million in elementary schools. Dr. Monárrez also highlighted the successful Back-to-School Health & Wellness Fair, community partnerships, and the efforts of employees who prepared schools for the new year. She shared the Leadership Kickoff theme, "An Abundance of Possibilities: Expanding Our Lens Toward Excellence," and reflected on student messages about connection, belonging, curiosity, and different ways of learning. Dr. Monárrez concluded with remarks in Spanish to OUSD's Spanish-speaking community.

D. Board President's Report

Board President Glass reflected on the significance of the start of a new school year, describing it as more than a date on the calendar but an opportunity for new beginnings and possibilities. He emphasized the lasting impact educators, staff, families, and community members can have on students and encouraged schools to foster curiosity, belonging, high expectations, and joy. President Glass welcomed students and staff back and encouraged students to approach the year with courage, curiosity, and confidence in their potential.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes - July 16, 2026

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the July 16, 2026, Regular Meeting, as presented.

Motion made by: Kris Erickson J.D.
Motion seconded by: Matthew Thomas

Voting results Unanimously Approved

6. PUBLIC COMMENT, AGENDA ITEMS

A. Public Comment

There were no public comments on agenda items.

7. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consideration and Approval of Amendment to Employment Contract for the Superintendent of Schools

Board President Glass provided the required oral summary of the proposed amendment to the Superintendent of Schools' employment agreement. He stated that the agreement would be effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, with compensation at Range 265 of the District Leadership Base Salary Schedule, Option "C," Step D, and Longevity Step 3. He also noted that insurance benefits would be provided at the same rates and District contribution levels as other leadership employees and that the Superintendent would receive 25 vacation days and an annual doctoral stipend.

Trustees shared positive comments about Superintendent Monárrez's first year.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the amendment to the employment contract between the Orange Unified School District and the Superintendent of Schools. Prior to a vote on this item, the Board President will read an oral report of the salary and compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits in the proposed amendment, as required by Government Code §54953.

Motion made by: Matthew Thomas
Motion seconded by: Sara Pelly
Voting results Unanimously Approved

B. Resolution No. 02-26-27: Intent to Dedicate Easement to Southern California Edison Company at Maintenance, Operations and Transportation Yard

Deputy Superintendent Perez-Chaidez introduced the item, and Executive Director of Learning Environments Mr. Morgan presented the proposed easement to Southern California Edison to support the expansion of the District's electric school bus charging infrastructure. He explained that the easement would allow the District to move forward with the third phase of the project, including 10 additional charging stations. Some questions were answered.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Resolution 02-26-27: Intent To Dedicate Easement and conduct a public hearing on the subject of dedicating an easement to the Southern California Edison Company at the next regularly scheduled board meeting on September 10, 2026.

Motion made by: Ana Martinez Goodlander
Motion seconded by: Andrea Yamasaki
Voting results: Unanimously Approved

C. Proposed Revisions to Board Policies and Bylaws - Second Reading and Approval

Superintendent Monárrez introduced the second reading of proposed revisions to Board Policy BP 5150 – Student Voter Registration and clarified that voter registration activities are nonpartisan and intended to promote civic engagement. Some questions were answered. Trustee Erickson commented that the high schools now have access to registration and understand the importance of participating in civic life and learning about the systems.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the proposed revisions to Board Policy 5150.

Motion made by: Sara Pelly
Motion seconded by: Kris Erickson J.D.
Voting results: Unanimously Approved

8. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 45-Day Budget Revise Report

Deputy Superintendent Perez-Chaidez presented the 45-Day Budget Revise Report, highlighting changes in state funding, including increased ongoing funding, special education revenue, and one-time discretionary funds. She discussed the District's continued focus on maintaining structural balance, addressing declining enrollment, and aligning future budget planning with the needs of schools, students, and staff. Some questions were answered.

B. 2026 Summer Programming in Review

Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services Dr. Witmer introduced the item. Coordinator of Expanded Learning Opportunities Ms. Beidler, Director of Special Education Dr. Granite, and Executive Director of Enrollment, Student Placement & Induction Ms. Green presented an overview of the District's 2026 summer programs. Highlights included more than 3,000 students participating in expanded learning programs, 9,800 hours of Extended School Year special education services, 510 credits recovered through the Student Achievement Boot Camp, and 1,881 students participating in high school summer school, where more than 10,000 credits were recovered and nearly 3,700 original credits were earned. The presentation also discussed plans to expand access and programming for summer 2027. Some questions were answered.

C. Proposed Revisions to Board Policies and Bylaws - First Reading

Superintendent Monárrez introduced the first reading of proposed new Board Policy 5142.4 pertaining to e-bikes and other e-conveyances. Senior Chief

Executive Officer of Student Services/SELPA/Special Education Dr. Singh presented the proposed policy, which was developed in response to increasing e-bike safety concerns and with input from law enforcement, District staff, and the community. The proposal would prohibit e-bikes and other e-conveyances for students in preschool through eighth grade, permit e-bikes for high school students with required safety training and registration, and prohibit other e-conveyances at all grade levels. Some questions were answered. Board members provided feedback for consideration before the second reading, including e-bike storage and infrastructure, flexibility for older middle school students, alignment with future changes in state law, and possible safety zones around campuses. The Board also emphasized clear communication, ongoing safety education, and consideration of implementation and enforcement challenges.

9. CONSENT ITEMS - Consent items are acted upon by one motion. Any such item can be considered separately at a Board member's request.

The vote applies to all Consent Items 9A through 9G, with the exception of the following items pulled for separate discussion and action:
Trustee Pelly pulled Item 9.B.14 for further discussion.
Trustee Erickson pulled Item 9.D.12 for further discussion.

The remaining Consent Items were moved and approved.

Motion made by: Kris Erickson J.D.
Motion seconded by: Andrea Yamasaki
Voting results Unanimously Approved

A. CONSENT ITEMS - MEASURE S

B. CONSENT ITEMS - BUSINESS SERVICES

1. Gifts

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept these donations and that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to the benefactors.

2. Purchase Orders List

It is recommended the Board of Education approve the Purchase Order List dated July 1, 2026 through August 2, 2026.

3. Warrants List

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Warrants List dated July 1, 2026, through August 2, 2026.

4. Authorize Use of California Multiple Award Schedule Contract No. 4-24-12-1016 awarded to Mike's Custom Flooring, Inc.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve CMAS Contract No. 4-24-12-1016, awarded to Mike's Custom Flooring, Inc., effective until August 9, 2027, and all future contract renewal options.

5. **Authorize Use of Hawthorne School District RFP No. FS24-25-1 Piggyback Bid Awarded to Gold Star Foods, Driftwood Dairy and Victor's Market Co.**

   It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the use of RFP No. FS24-25-1 for the distribution of frozen, refrigerated, processed USDA foods (commodities), miscellaneous food products and supplies awarded to Gold Star Foods, Driftwood Dairy and Victor's Market Co., effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, and all future contract renewal options.

6. **Authorize Use of Paramount Unified School District Bid No. 10-23-24 Piggyback Bid Awarded to Sunrise Produce**

   It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the use of Paramount Unified School District Bid No. 10-23-24 for Fresh Produce awarded to Sunrise Produce, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, and all future contract renewal options.

7. **Bid No. 2526-953 CARES Portable Relocatable Classroom & Walking Track at Villa Park Elementary School - Incotechnic, Inc., Change Order No. 2**

   It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of $22,861 for Bid No. 2526-953 awarded to Incotechnic, Inc. for the Cares Portable Relocatable Classroom & Walking Track at Villa Park Elementary.

8. **Bid No. 2526-962 Tennis Court Fencing at El Modena High School, Change Order No. 01**

   It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order No. 01 in the amount of $14,802, for Bid No. 2526-962 awarded to J&A Fence.

9. **Bid No. 2526-964 Asphalt Replacement at Multiple Sites, Change Order No. 2**

   It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of $4.800 for Bid No. 2526-964 Asphalt Replacement Multiple Sites awarded to Universal Asphalt Co.

10. **Bid No. 2526-967 Exterior Painting at Villa Park High School, Change Order No. 1**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of $4,740 for Bid No. 2526-967 Exterior Painting at Villa Park High School awarded to Pacific Contractors Group, Inc.

11. Bid No. 2526-972 Roofing at Canyon High School, Deductive Change Order No. 1

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Bid No. 2526-972 Roofing at Canyon High School, Deductive Change Order No. 1Bid No. 2526-972 Roofing at Canyon High School, Deductive Change Order No. 1

12. Resolution 03-26-27 Designating Authorized School District Representatives for all State Allocation Board-administered programs through the Office of Public School Construction

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Resolution 03-26-27 designating Dr. Jacqueline Perez-Chaidez and Jeff Morgan as authorized signers on behalf of the Orange Unified School District for all documents that may be required or requested by the Office of Public School Construction.

13. Resolution 06-26-27: Signature Authorization

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Resolution 06-26-27: Signature Authorization.

14. Acceptance of Completed Contracts and Filing of Notices of Completion

Trustee Pelly pulled the item to highlight recently completed District projects and provide the public with an update on facility improvements. Executive Director of Learning Environments Mr. Morgan presented the completed basketball hoop upgrades at El Modena High School, which included new backboards and control arms and related safety testing.

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the notices of completion for the above-listed contracts.

Motion made by: Sara Pelly
Motion seconded by: Matthew Thomas
Voting results: Unanimously Approved

15. Correction to Board Agenda Item 11BB Authorization to Declare Obsolete Equipment, Vehicles, Materials, and Other District Items Surplus on 7-16-26 Agenda

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the correction of the statutory reference contained in Board Agenda Item 11BB “Authorization to Declare Obsolete Equipment, Vehicles, Materials, and Other District Items Surplus" on the July 16, 2026, board

agenda to reflect California Education Code §17546, rather than §17545.

C. CONSENT ITEMS - HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Personnel Report

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as presented.

2. Teacher Assignment/Consent Report

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Teacher Assignment/Consent Report as presented.

3. Teacher Assignment/Consent - Variable or Short-Term Waiver

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the variable term waivers as presented.

4. Frontline - Subfinder Automated System

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract for Frontline - Subfinder Automated System as presented.

D. CONSENT ITEMS - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. California Consulting, Inc.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with California Consulting, Inc. for a grant needs assessment.

2. Memorandum of Understanding Induction Support and Credentialing Services Single Subject and Multiple Subject Teaching Credentials

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Induction Support and Credentialing Services for the Single Subject, Multiple Subject, and Education Specialist Teaching Credentials.

3. Booster Club Renewal - Canyon High School Football

This item has no fiscal impact on the district. (McKee/Potnis)

4. Follett Destiny Library

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this renewal agreement with Follett Destiny Library.

5. OverDrive Sora

It is recommended that the Board of Education approval the renewal with OverDrive Sora.

6. Renaissance Learning, Incorporated- Nearpod

It is recommended that the Board of Education approval the renewal with Renaiisance Learning, Incorporated-Nearpod.

7. Seesaw

It is recommended that the Board of Education renew this agreement with Seesaw.

8. Renaissance Learning, Inc.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this agreement with Renaissance Learning, Inc. - Accelerated Reader.

9. Blocksi

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this agreement with Blocksi.

10. Snorkl

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this agreement with Snorkl.

11. Segerstrom Center for the Arts - Panorama Elementary School

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Segerstrom Center for the Arts agreement for Panorama Elementary School.

12. Memorandum of Understanding Between Orange Unified School District and the Orange County Department of Education Preliminary Administrative Services Credential Program

Trustee Erickson pulled the item to highlight the District's partnership with the Orange County Department of Education to develop future administrators and grow leadership from within. She commended the program for providing employees with a more accessible and affordable pathway to earn an administrative credential and thanked Educational Services for bringing the program forward.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Memorandum of Understanding between Orange Unified School District and the Orange County Department of Education for the Preliminary Administrative Services Credential (PASC) Program as presented.

Motion made by: Kris Erickson J.D.
Motion seconded by: Sara Pelly
Voting results Unanimously Approved

13. YouScience Certification

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2026-2027 YouScience Contract.

E. CONSENT ITEMS - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES/STUDY TRIPS

F. CONSENT ITEMS - STUDENT SUPPORT/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. Service Agreement with Impact23 Educational Consultants

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Services Agreement with Impact23 Educational Consultants for the 2026–2027 school year.

2. 2026-27 Contract Ratification

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the 2026-2027 Contracts for the education of students with exceptional needs.

3. Ratification - Memorandum of Understanding with Santa Ana Unified School District for the 2026-2027 School Year

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Santa Ana Unified School District.

G. CONSENT ITEMS - BOARD OF EDUCATION/SUPERINTENDENT

10. PULLED ITEMS FOR ACTION/CONSIDERATION

See Item 9.B.14, Acceptance of Completed Contracts and Filing Notices of Completion, and Item 9.D.12, Memorandum of Understanding between Orange Unified School District and Orange County Department of Education, for discussion and separate action.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT, NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Four Villa Park residents, Anastazia Ford, Pam Hostetler, Bruce Gleason, and Susana Silva, expressed concerns regarding a long-standing drainage issue at Cerro Villa Middle School that they stated has caused recurring flooding and property damage to neighboring homes. They requested that the District pursue a permanent drainage solution to properly redirect stormwater and prevent further damage.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

Board members shared updates on recent activities, events, and recognitions, as follows:

Board Vice President Yamasaki

- Attended Loyola Marymount University's Secondary School Redesign Institute with OUSD administrators and education leaders and shared her appreciation for the work of District leaders and their focus on student success.
- Recognized parent Tonda Fields for organizing her ninth annual backpack drive, which provided more than 300 backpacks filled with school supplies for OUSD students.

Board Member Martinez Goodlander

- Thanked staff for creating a visual to help families understand the District's new mobile device policy.
- Commented on the implementation of ParentSquare and expressed hope that the new platform will improve and streamline communication with families.

Board Clerk Pelly

- Thanked District staff for their work throughout the summer preparing schools and programs for the new school year.
- Emphasized the importance of the partnership among students, parents, and educators and expressed hope that ParentSquare and other communication tools will strengthen family engagement.
- Wished students, families, and staff a successful school year.

Trustee Thomas

- Attended the Back-to-School Health & Wellness Fair and thanked District staff and community partners for providing resources and services to students and families.
- Reflected on completing his final school startup after 30 years and wished OUSD students, families, and staff a successful 2026–27 school year.

Board Member Erickson

- Expressed excitement for the new school year and highlighted the facility improvements awaiting students and staff.
- Recognized the success of the Back-to-School Health & Wellness Fair, which served approximately 5,000 people, and thanked staff for organizing the event.

Board President Glass

- Thanked teachers, administrators, classified staff, and other employees for their work preparing for the new school year.
- Wished everyone well as the 2026–27 school year begins.

13. ADJOURNMENT

A. Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 pm