

**HAMILTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Hamilton High School Library
620 Canal Street, Hamilton City, CA 95951
Wednesday, May 27, 2026
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5:30 p.m. Public session for purposes of opening the meeting only
5:30 p.m. Closed session to discuss closed session items listed below (For Board Only)
6:30 p.m. Reconvene to open session

Hamilton Unified School District Board Meetings are open to the public.

1.0 OPENING BUSINESS: 5:33 p.m.

- a. Call to order and roll call

 X Hubert "Wendell" Lower, President Absent Rod Boone, Clerk X Gabriel Leal
 X Vanessa Ortiz X Ray Odom

2.0 IDENTIFY CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: Public comment will be heard on any closed session items. The board may limit comments to no more than three minutes per speaker and 15 minutes per item. [None](#)

4.0 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: To consider qualified matters.

- a. Government Code Section 54956.8, Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Property:
Agency Negotiators: Dr. Jeremy Powell, Superintendent; Kristen Hamman, Chief Business Official
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
- b. Government Code Section 54957, Personnel Issue. To consider public employee, evaluation, reassignment, resignation, release, dismissal, or discipline of a classified and/or certificated employee.
- c. Government Code Section 54957.6, Labor Negotiations. To confer with the District's Labor Negotiator, Superintendent Jeremy Powell regarding HTA and CSEA negotiations.

Report out action taken in closed session. [Nothing to report out of closed session.](#)

5.0 PUBLIC SESSION/FLAG SALUTE: [Mr. Lower lead the flag salute.](#)

6.0 ADOPT THE AGENDA: (M)

[Motion to adopt the agenda by Mrs. Ortiz 2nd by Mr. Leal](#)

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

- a. Board Member Comments/Reports
- b. ASB President and Student Council President Reports
- i. Hamilton High School – Selina Villegas
1. [Isabella Lozano presented.](#)
- ii. Hamilton Elementary School – Ariana Chavez
1. [Ms. Chavez introduced the 2026-27 Student Council.](#)

- c. District Reports (written)
 - i. Technology Report by Frank James
 - ii. Nutrition Services Report by Erendida Moreno
 - iii. Operations Report by Alan Joksch
 - iv. Community Schools and Family Engagement by Rachel Sanchez
 - v. Human Resources & State and Federal Programs by Jolene Towne
- d. Principal and Dean of Student Reports (written)
 - i. Ulises Tellechea, Hamilton Elementary School Principal
 - 1. [Mr. Tellechea presented.](#)
 - ii. Maria Reyes, District Dean of Students
 - 1. [Mrs. Reyes presented.](#)
 - iii. Cris Oseguera, Hamilton High School Principal
 - 1. [Mr. Oseguera presented.](#)
 - iv. Silvia Robles, Adult School
- e. Chief Business Official Report by Kristen Hamman (written)
- f. Superintendent Report by Jeremy Powell (written)
 - i. [Dr. Powell presented.](#)

8.0 PRESENTATIONS:

- a. IT Department Presentation
 - i. [Mr. James and Mr. Watson presented.](#)
- b. HUSD Dual Language Education Master Plan
 - i. [Mrs. Sawyer presented.](#)

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. None

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. HUSD Enrollment History for 6 years
 - i. [Dr. Powell reviewed.](#)
- b. Bond Status: Fund 21 Update
 - i. [Dr. Powell reviewed.](#)
- c. New & Current Staff Bios
 - i. [Dr. Powell reviewed.](#)
- d. LCAP/Strategic Planning
 - i. [Dr. Powell reviewed.](#)

11.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. None

12.0 PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment on any item of interest to the public that is within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard (agenda and non-agenda items). The Board may limit comments to no more than three minutes per speaker and 15 minutes per topic. Public comment will also be allowed on each specific action item prior to board action thereon.

[None.](#)

13.0 ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Adopt Resolution 25-26-108: Order of Election

[Motion to adopt Resolution 25-26-108 by Mr. Odom 2nd by Mr. Leal](#)

[Motion Carried 4-0](#)

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

b. Approve the 2024-25 Measure F Bond Building Fund Audit Report

Motion to approve report by Mr. Leal 2nd by Mrs. Ortiz

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

c. Approve Updated 2025-2026 HUSD Extended Learning Opportunities Plan Update

Motion to approve plan update by Mrs. Ortiz 2nd by Mr. Odom

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

d. Approve California State Preschool Program Self Evaluation Fiscal Year 2025-26

Motion to approve self evaluation by Mrs. Ortiz 2nd by Mr. Leal

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

e. Approve HUSD Dual Language Education Master Plan

Motion to approve plan by Mr. Leal 2nd by Mr. Odom

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

f. Approve Purchase and Installation of a New Watchfire Marquee Sign at HES

Motion to approve by Mrs. Ortiz 2nd by Mr. Leal

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

g. Approve EA/AA Proposal to Work Modified Schedules During Non-Student Summer of 2026

Motion to approve by Mrs. Ortiz 2nd by Mr. Leal

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

h. Approve Hamilton High School Football Senior Trip

Motion to approve by Mrs. Ortiz 2nd by Mr. Leal

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

14.0 CONSENT AGENDA: Items in the consent agenda are considered routine and are acted upon by the Board in one motion. There is no discussion of these items prior to the Board vote and unless a member of the Board, staff, or public request specific items be discussed and/or removed from the consent agenda. Each item on the consent agenda approved by the Board shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

- a. Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on April 22, 2026
- b. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
- c. Warrants and Expenditures
- d. Interdistrict Transfers (new only; elementary students reapply annually).
 - i. Out

1. Hamilton Elementary School
 - a. None
 2. Hamilton High School
 - a. None
- ii. In
1. Hamilton Elementary School
 - a. None
 2. Hamilton High School
 - a. None

e. Personnel Actions as Presented:

New Hires:	Tanya LeDonne	Medical/Health Occupations CTE Teacher	HHS
	Nathalia Mendoza	Multiple Subject Teacher	HES
	Bettyjo Wright	Middle School Science Teacher	HES
	Crystal Ward	Alternative Education Teacher	Ella Barkley

Resignations/Retirement/Release/Position Change: None

Motion to approve consent agenda by Mr. Odom 2nd by Mr. Leal

Motion Carried 4-0

Leal: AYE	Lower: AYE
Boone: ABSENT	Ortiz: AYE
Odom: AYE	

15.0 ADJOURNMENT:

X

Rod Boone

Rod Boone
HUSD Board Clerk

X

Jeremy Powell

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HUSD Superintendent