

MINUTES

Palo Verde High School School Organizational Team Meeting August 20, 2026 @ 3 pm

School Organizational Team Members:

Principal: Lisa Schumacher

Licensed Members: Christina Ballard, Ember Naparstek, Michael Toner.

Parent Members: Mr. Jason Gastwirth, Mr. Vince Merrell, Ms. Jennifer Richards, Mr. Jeff Warnick, Ms. Melissa Weinstein.

Support Staff Member: William Lambert

Student Members: Charles Tidgewell

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It is asked that speakers be respectful to each other, team members, the principal and school district staff.
Speakers that are disruptive will be asked to leave the meeting.

1.0 Welcome & Roll Call

- This meeting was called to order at 2 pm.
- Charles Tidgewell was absent from today's meeting.

2.0 Action Items

- May 14, 2026 minutes were approved. The first motion was made by Jeff Warnick, and the second motion was made by Christina Ballard.

3.0 School Updates

- Data Review
 - Ms. Schumacher presented.
 - Professional learning at Suncoast
 - Spoke to the history of Palo Verde High School
 - Student achievement is always on top at Palo
 - Gains in Math and ELA
 - Math-52% of students tested above the 70th percentile
 - Covered the achievement gaps
 - Reading-58% of students tested above the 70th percentile
 - MAP shows students moving into the higher tiers
 - CRT- 41% of students scored proficient. Up almost 10% from previous year.

- NAA Success
- Attendance-26% of students are chronically absent. About 600 students.
- Climate survey
- ACT data: ELA up and Math stayed level
- Graduation: 97.3%
- School Improvement Plan
 - Mr. Liles presented.
 - Confirming Act 1
 - Goals were covered
 - ACT growth
 - No changes to the action steps except for MAP to iReady
- Systems to Support Students in Extracurriculars
 - Ms. Schumacher presented.
 - Messaging from the administration
 - Request for work form

4.0 Public Comment Period

5.0 Future Business

- The next meeting will be held September 17, 2026 @ 3 pm in the PVHS Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm. The first motion was made by Vince Merrell, and the second motion was made by Melissa Weinstein.