

COUNTY OF MARICOPA
OSBORN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8
Governing Board Regular Meeting
September 15, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Osborn School District Governing Board was called to order at 5:31 PM by Board President Violeta Ramos.

Violeta Ramos, Board President
Rhiannon Ford, Board Clerk
Edward Hermes, Board Member- absent
Eric Thompson, Board Member
Ben Blink, Board Member
Mr. Felipe Carranza, Superintendent

Pledge of Allegiance/Land Acknowledgement

Mr. Carranza led the pledge. Clerk Ford read the land acknowledgement.

Governing Board Reports

Mr. Blink shared that he enjoyed his visit to OMS with Superintendent Carranza and Principal Hayes and seeing the great work happening there. He was also pleased to learn of the 58% increase in students who achieved proficient on their AASA state assessment. He is very pleased to see meaningful gains across the district in proficiency and attendance numbers.

Mr. Thompson visited Solano with Superintendent Carranza noting that although there was a shortage of staff that day things ran very smoothly. He was pleased with the installation of more turf and changes that made the campus feel more welcoming and was glad to see improved attendance.

Mrs. Ford will be working with Board Members she met through the National School Board Association on teacher retention. Thanking Principal Palache for the recent event held for families she was pleased to see IXL shared at the school level noting that it could easily be transferred to other schools. Offering a summary of the legislative process and reminder that it is the legislature that determines amounts allocated to public education, Mrs. Ford offered a reminder to vote.

President Ramos shared that she and Superintendent Carranza met with 3 other superintendents, after a recent visit to Longview noted the beauty of the wall of achievement. President Ramos also attended the Osborn Success Night and Principal Palache's presentation. She said she would love to see this done district wide to bring parents in and what success means. She recently attended the MASBA Annual Conference and looks forward to sharing her learning. She also recently attended National Board Registration Day at Metro Tech and looks forward to the upcoming retreat and candidate forum.

District Celebrations and Announcements

Melissa Robinson shared that statewide only 7% of students score highly proficient or level 4 on 2 State assessment tests

Students were individually recognized and congratulated by Board Members and received a certificate and medal for their accomplishments. Additionally there were students who scored highly proficient in all areas of the assessment.

Superintendent Carranza reflected on Ms. Sandoval's time with Osborn celebrating her 30 plus years of service to the district.

President Ramos called for a break at 6:05 pm. Meeting resumed at 6:10 pm.

President Ramos stated that in consideration of guests item C would be heard next.

Approval of Montecito

Ms. McCabe shared that the change order broken down into 3 main components and are currently working in phase 3 of the Montecito project.

Mr. Brubaker provided explanation of a change order and why a change order may be needed. He further explained that this will allow for a SPED classroom and related items not previously anticipated as well as larger classrooms and IT (information technology). He stated that it is best that these items are being added while construction is still going on as opposed to later and that accommodations related to the addition of the 7-8th grade component.

A short conversation that provided clarification around members questions took place.

Ms. McCabe shared that there were also code changes that happened which required changes to design.

President Ramos motioned to approve. Mrs. Ford seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mrs. Ramos aye

Mrs. Ford aye

Mr. Thompson aye

Mr. Blink aye

President Ramos left the meeting at 6:26 pm.

Call to the Public

Ms. Fuentes read a prepared statement stating her concern around not being allowed to participate in the classroom or other school activities.

Superintendent Carranza was asked to attend to the matter.

Consent Agenda – Approval of Items Since August Meeting

- A. Ratification of Accounts Payable Vouchers
- B. Ratification of Payroll Vouchers
- C. Board Minutes
 - 1. August 18, 2026 Regular Meeting
 - 2. August 18, 2026 Public Hearing Time Models
 - 3. August 18, 2026 Public Hearing Budget
- D. Approval of Personnel Items
 - 1. New Employees
 - 2. Employment Changes/Additions
 - 3. Addendum Contracts
 - 4. Separations
 - 5. Retirements
 - 6. Leaves of Absence
 - 7. Non-renewal

- E. Donations
- F. Expenditure and Revenue Report
- G. Student Activities Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
- H. Disposal
- I. Approval of Certified Evaluators for 2026-2027
- J. Approval of FY27 SFD Capital Plan
- K. Out of State Travel for Felipe Carrazna to attend the AASA National Conference in Atlanta, GA February 25-27, 2027
- L. MOU's agreements with Partner Organizations
 - 1. Approval of agreement with Rising Youth Theatre 26-27
 - 2. Approval of IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement) with Arizona School for Deaf and Blind
 - 3. Approval of MOU with Community Family Services
 - 4. MOU with Urban Farming Education- Project Grow for the 26-27 school year
- M. Out of state Travel for Violeta Ramos to Washington DC to attend the NSBA Conference for Public Education Leadership April 1-4, 2027.
- N. Approval of District Authorized Bank Account Signers

Mr. Thompson moved to approve. Mr. Blink seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Mrs. Ford aye
Mr. Thompson aye
Mr. Blink aye

Board Presentation-

Expansion of Montecito K-8

Principal Sotomayor shared a presentation and provided background on Montessori and multi age classrooms. She said that the program began in the 21-22 school year with 16 students has grown to 171 students in its 6th year. Keeping with the schools theme of the goal is to have 215 students next year.

A short discussion took place around growth of the program.

Admin Reports

No comments

Information/Discussion Items

AZ Science Camp Review

Ms. Callisen provided an update on the AZ Science Camp stating that it was the largest summer program with 335 camp enrollments. She then reviewed the weekly activities students participated in and shared feedback from parents and students.

Members stated their appreciation for the program and would like to explore ways to expand.

OEA

Ms. Callisen said that they will continue to assist with advocacy needs and provide monthly reports. She said that she looks forward to Meet and Confer that will start in October and appreciates Superintendent Carranza's availability for conversation.

Action Items

- A. Second review and approval of Trust Policy Revisions to the following policies:
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| 1-105 | Board Member Conflict of Interest |
| 3-102 | Revenue |
| 3-102.E | Revenue-Student Activities |
| 5-212.B | Student clubs and Activities-Student Activities Fund |
| 3-103 | Expenses and Payroll |
| 3-103.F | Expenses and Payroll—Food and Beverage Expenses |
| 3-108 | Audits |
| 3-108.A | Audits-Audit Requirements |
| 3-109.A | Procurement—Compliance Requirements |
| 3-109.C | Procurement—Statutory Exemptions |
| 3-109.D | Procurement—Construction Procurement |
| 3-109.E | Procurement—Delegation of Authority |
| 3-109 | Procurement |
| 1-302 | Governing Board Meetings and Open Meeting Law Requirements |
| 1-401 | Parents/Legal Guardian Rights in Education |
| 1-401.A | Parent/Legal Guardian Rights in Education—Parental Involvement (Procedure) |
| 2-101 | Duties of the Superintendent |
| 3-203.A | Visitors—Prohibition Regarding Disruption (Procedure) |
| 3-402.A | Records - Disclosure of Public Records (Procedure) |
| 3-404.A | Insurance Liability Coverage (Procedure) |
| 4-204 | Mandatory Reporting |
| 5-201 | Patriotic Exercises and Observance Days |
| 5-216.B | Promotion and Retention of Students; Passing Grades—Advanced Math NEW (Procedure) |
| 5-402 | Department of Child Safety Interview and Custody |
| 5-410 | Interscholastic Athletics |
| 3-301.A | Food Services-Nutrition (Procedure) |

Ben- pg 3-109- pg 167 procurement authority- supt delegated authority sole source – strike the sole source- to come to the board-

Eric- pg 145 and 147- optional wording- 14
Option 2

Pg 155 option 1

184 option- Rhianon prefer to leave out mention weapons detection –

Mr. Thompson motioned to approve. Mr. Blink seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Mrs. Ford aye
Mr. Thompson aye

Mr. Blink aye

Approval of first review of Trust Policy Revisions to the following policies:

5-102	Enrollment Requirements
5-102.A	Enrollment Requirements
5-102.D	Enrollment Requirements
5-105	Open Enrollment
5-203	Students with Disabilities Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA)
1-105	Conflicts of Interest
1-105.A	Conflicts of Interest
3-102	Revenue
3-102.A	Revenue
3-102.C	Revenue
3-102.D	Revenue
3-109.C	Procurement

Eric- pg 256 – remove option

Pg 258-

Pg 259 don't need-

Mr. Thompson motioned to approve with changes as mentioned. Mr. Blink seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Mrs. Ford aye

Mr. Thompson aye

Mr. Blink aye

Board Development

none

Future

Mr. Thompson

- Would like more information on absence numbers and what is being done to improve absences

Mrs. Ford

- Would like to see how much AI usage there is across campuses for staff and student
- What intelligence students have access to

Adjournment

Mrs. Ford declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Lisa Nye, Executive Assistant

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to the Superintendent and Governing Board

Rhiannon Ford, Board Clerk