



# Trinity County Office of Education

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## MINUTES

### **Trinity County Board of Education Regular Board Meeting September 9, 2026**

WHERE HELD: Trinity County Office of Education  
201 Memorial Drive – Granite Room

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING: Randy Spencer, Area I  
Vacant, Area II  
Sally Aldinger, Area III  
Arina Erwin, Area IV  
Steve Canale, Area V

COUNTY OFFICE: Fabio Robles, Superintendent of Schools  
Anthony Rebelo, Deputy Superintendent of SELPA/Special  
Education  
Cindy Blanchard, Executive Director of Business Services  
Kaila Arnold, Executive Secretary

#### **1.0 Formal Opening**

- 1.1 Call to Order  
Sally Aldinger called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- 1.2 Roll Call  
Steve Canale, Randy Spencer, Arina Erwin, Sally Aldinger present
- 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.4 Additions or Changes to Agenda  
Executive Secretary Kaila Arnold provided the following additions to the agenda:
  - Added action item 7.4, Review the Letter of Interest for the Vacant Board Seat and Approve an Interview for the Potential Candidate to be Held During the Current Board Meeting.
  - Added Correspondence from the Association of California County Boards of Education (ACCBE).
  - Original action item 7.4 was renumbered to 7.5.

- 2.0 Public Communication:** Persons wishing to address the Board on any item except personnel are invited to do so at this time. In the interest of time and order, presentations from the public are limited to three minutes per person, 20 minutes per topic, pursuant to Board policy. Please state your name and address before speaking. In accordance with the Brown Act, unless an item has been placed on the agenda there shall be no action taken. The Board may 1) acknowledge receipts of the information; 2) refer to staff for further study; 3) refer the matter to the next agenda.

There was no public communication.

**3.0 Accept Open Session Agenda**

Board President Aldinger asked the board for a motion to accept the Open Session Agenda.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Canale, with a second by Board Member Erwin, to accept the Open Session Agenda. Motion passed. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.

- 4.0 Consent Agenda:** The following consent agenda items are considered routine by the County Board and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Board member requests, in which event the item(s) will be considered following approval of the Consent Agenda.

4.1 Minutes – August 19, 2026

4.2 Warrants – August 2026

4.3 Payroll – August 2026

Board President Aldinger asked the Board if there was a motion to pull any items from the Consent Agenda. Board Member Spencer requested that item 4.2 be pulled for discussion.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Erwin, with a second by Board Member Canale to approve items 4.1 and 4.3. The motion passed unanimously. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.

**MOTION:** After a brief discussion, A motion was made by Board Member Spencer with a second by Board Member Erwin to approve item 4.2. The motion passed unanimously. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.

**5.0 Public Hearing**

5.1 Open Public Hearing

The Public Hearing opened at 4:06 p.m.

5.2 Discussion of Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for the 2026-2027 School Year

There was no public discussion.

5.3 Review BB/E1 Conflict of Interest Code

There was no public discussion.

5.4 Close Public Hearing

The Public Hearing closed at 4:10 p.m.

## **6.0 Information Items**

- 6.1 Trinity County Office Unaudited Actuals for the Year Ending June 30, 2026  
Executive Director Cindy Blanchard shared a presentation with the board.
- 6.2 GANN Limit for 2025-2026 and Projected Limit for 2026-2027  
Executive Director Cindy Blanchard spoke briefly on item 6.2.
- 6.3 First-Day Enrollment for the School Year 2026-2027  
Executive Secretary Kaila Arnold spoke on item 6.3.
- 6.4 Board Member Remuneration: Continued Discussion and Options  
The Board resumed discussions on item 6.4.
- 6.5 Letter of Interest for Board Vacancy, Area II  
The Board acknowledged receipt of item 6.5 which was in the board packet for review.

## **7.0 Action Items**

- 7.1 Approve the Revised BB/E1 Conflict of Interest Policy  
**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Canale, with a second by Board Member Spencer. The motion passed. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.
- 7.2 Approve Resolution #26-27-02 Adopting GANN Limit for 2025-2026 and Projected Limit for 2026-2027  
**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Erwin, with a second by Board Member Spencer. The motion passed. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.
- 7.3 Approve Resolution #26-27-03 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for R.I.S.E.  
**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Spencer, with a second by Board Member Canale. The motion passed. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.
- 7.4 Review The Letter of Interest For The Vacant Board Seat and Approve an Interview For The Potential Candidate to be Held During The Current Board Meeting  
**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Erwin, with a second by Board Member Canale. The motion passed. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.
- 7.5 Interview Interested Candidates For The Board Vacancy and Make an Appointment and Issue The Oath of Office, If Necessary  
**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Erwin, with a second by Board Member Spencer to appoint Dan Zook at the next board meeting as the Trustee to represent Area II to take effect at the annual organizational meeting and to serve out the remainder of the seat's term. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.

## **8.0 Reports**

- 8.1 Financial Report and Oversight Update  
Executive Director Cindy Blanchard provided the financial report and oversight update, which was included in the board packet for the members to review.

**9.0 Correspondence**

9.1 Association of California County Boards of Education (ACCBE) Correspondence

**10.0 Superintendent's Report**

Deputy Superintendent Anthony Rebelo shared with the Board:

- Professional Development Updates

County Superintendent Fabio Robles shared with the Board:

- Event updates
- Volunteer Opportunities

**11.0 Board Reports/Announcements/Comments**

Board Members Erwin and Aldinger shared their reports with the rest of the board.

**12.0 Adjournment**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Spencer, with a second by Board Member Canale to adjourn the meeting at 5:39 pm. The motion passed. Aye-4 (Erwin, Canale, Spencer, Aldinger), No-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'FR', followed by a horizontal line.

Fabio Robles, Ex-Officio Secretary  
Trinity County Office of Education

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