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 in the boardrooms (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): Spanish Audio: https://audio-widget.kudoway.com/770113722844

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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

1. OPENING ITEMS

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

B. Establish Quorum

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

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 5:00 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) - Anticipated Litigation - Government Code §54956.9

D. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)

E. Conference with Real Property Negotiators - Government Code §54956.8

3. REGULAR SESSION

A. Call Regular Session to Order

The regular session of the Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. Board President Glass reflected on the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001, honoring the lives lost and the courage of first responders, and led a moment of silence.

B. Pledge of Allegiance - Linda Vista Elementary School

Students from Linda Vista Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance. Principal Dr. Berry introduced six students, who shared what they enjoy about their school and how they are challenged through game-based activities, real-world problem solving, and lessons using sports statistics. Students also shared that teachers provide additional challenges when students are ready and support them in thinking critically, working together, and extending their learning.

C. Report of Closed Session Decisions

Item 2A: Public Employee Appointment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code §54957: The Board of Education announced the following appointments: George Benetatos to the position of Assistant Principal, Orange High School, and Cameron Shepherd to the position of Assistant Principal, Orange High School. The vote was 7-0.

Item 2C: Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) – Anticipated Litigation – Government Code §54956.9: The Board of Education voted to reject Claim No. 676784 for alleged damages pursuant to Government Code section 910, et seq. The vote was 7-0.

The Board of Education voted to deny the application for leave to present a late claim for Claim No. 668132 pursuant to Government Code section 910, et seq. The vote was 7-0.

Item 2D: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Government Code §54956.9(d)(1): The Board of Education delegated authority to the Deputy Superintendent of Business, Operations & Strategy to settle Workers' Compensation Claim No. ADJ8996442 in accordance with the discussion in Closed Session. The vote was 7-0.

D. Adoption of Agenda

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

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

A. Proclamation: Attendance Awareness Month

Trustee Yamasaki presented a proclamation recognizing September 2026 as Attendance Awareness Month to Mr. Angel, Executive Director of Student and Community Services. She highlighted the District's Champion Attendance initiative and noted that since 2022–23, attendance has increased by approximately 1.5%, chronic absenteeism has declined to 12.2%, and students have regained more than 23 million instructional minutes. Mr. Angel thanked students, families, staff, and community partners for their continued efforts to remove barriers to attendance and keep students engaged in school.

B. CSEA Report

CSEA President, Mr. Villa, reported that CSEA and the District had completed their 19th negotiation session and said outstanding issues remained related to compensation, health care, working conditions, grievance protections, and contract language. He expressed concern regarding a recent District-wide communication about negotiations and stated that 97% of participating CSEA members voted to continue negotiations rather than settle under the current terms. Mr. Villa emphasized CSEA's desire to reach an agreement that supports classified employees while maintaining a strong partnership with the District.

C. OUEA Report

OUEA Vice President, Ms. Greenwald, asked the Board to consider a resolution supporting Proposition 3. She raised concerns about the number of new programs and initiatives being implemented, ongoing HVAC issues, and the need for a more proactive approach to facility concerns. She also expressed concern regarding the District-wide communication about ongoing CSEA negotiations and emphasized the importance of collaboration and including educator voices in decisions affecting schools.

D. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Monárrez reflected on the start of the 2026–27 school year and highlighted the work of staff across the District, including custodial, front office, nutrition services, transportation, and facilities teams. She provided an update on the District's response to recent HVAC challenges, including portable cooling units, ongoing campus upgrades, and development of a 10-year HVAC modernization plan.

Dr. Monárrez also recognized the District's strong financial position, noting that Fitch Ratings assigned OUSD an AA+ rating for overall financial management and an AAA rating, its highest rating, for facility bond repayment, both with a stable outlook. She explained that the ratings reflect the District's strong record of managing its finances responsibly and its ability to meet its debt obligations.

She also noted the District's recognition as a 2026 California Model School District for its attendance efforts, recognized McPherson Magnet School teachers Perla Ramos and Jennifer Angel for their 2026 UC Davis C-STEM Teacher of the Year nominations, shared upcoming opportunities for family participation in District advisory groups, and invited the community to the September 24 facilities study session. She concluded by sharing a few words in Spanish for the District's Spanish-speaking community.

E. Board President's Report

Board President Glass reflected on the work taking place throughout the District and emphasized the importance of recognizing accomplishments while continuing to address areas needing improvement. He stated that students and employees deserve safe, welcoming, and supportive environments and emphasized the importance of maintaining high expectations, listening to concerns, and working collaboratively across the District. He encouraged the OUSD community to remain focused on students, partnership, continuous improvement, and the work needed to support excellence.

F. Introduction of Student Representatives

Executive Director of Secondary Education Dr. Potnis introduced the 2026–27 Student Representatives and shared a few highlights about each student.

- Canyon High School: Saba Tanara
- El Modena High School: Payden Thibodeau
- Orange High School: Atziry Lopez
- Richland High School: Judith Rincon
- Villa Park High School: Nicholas Franks

G. Student Representatives Reports

Canyon High School – Saba Tanara

- Highlighted Canyon ASB's recognition at the Orange County Leadership Association camp, including receiving the Daryl Stillwagon Award.
- Shared updates on fall athletics, freshman activities, Senior Sunrise, and the school's first pep rally of the year.
- Noted efforts to reduce plastic waste in the cafeteria through a new utensil dispenser.

El Modena High School – Payden Thibodeau

- Shared updates on student programs, including National Honor Society, Mock Trial, the Red Cross blood drive, and Women's League.
- Highlighted Visual and Performing Arts activities, including the Chamber Singers' invitation to perform at Carnegie Hall.
- Reported on fall athletics and the upcoming Salute to Heroes football game.

Orange High School – Atziry Lopez

- Highlighted the school's built-in tutorial time, which provides students with additional academic support during the school day.
- Shared updates on Senior Sunrise, freshman activities, student clubs, and fall athletics.
- Noted the strong start to the school year and opportunities for students to become involved on campus.

Richland High School – Judith Rincon

- Shared new incentives encouraging reading and improved student attendance.
- Highlighted Spirit Week, the upcoming Back-to-School Night, and activities focused on school connectedness.
- Announced the start of flag football and thanked the District for providing access to Fred Kelly Stadium.

Villa Park High School – Nicholas Franks

- Shared highlights from Back-to-School Night, upcoming Homecoming activities, Club Rush, and campus improvements.
- Reported on the strong start of fall athletics, including football and boys water polo.
- Provided an update on the school's e-bike permit and safety training program.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes - August 13, 2026

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

Motion made by: Sara Pelly
Motion seconded by: Sierra Vane Ph.D.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

6. PUBLIC COMMENT, AGENDA ITEMS

A. Public Comment

Public comment cards were received for Agenda Items 7D, 8B, and 9D3. Comments on these items were heard at the time each respective item was considered.

7. ACTION ITEMS

A. 2025-26 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report

Deputy Superintendent of Business, Operations & Strategy Dr. Jacqueline Perez-Chaidez and Executive Director of Business Services Christopher Keeler presented the 2025–26 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report, including year-end revenues and expenditures, fund balances, restricted carryover, reserves, and recent investments in facilities and enrollment decline stabilization. Trustees discussed the timing of restricted expenditures, statewide enrollment decline, the District's proactive financial planning, ELOP funding, and investments in the District's emergency alert system.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2025-26 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report for all funds and accept the 2026-27 budget updates of changes to the District's revenue sources as presented by staff.

Motion made by: Matthew Thomas
Motion seconded by: Andrea Yamasaki

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

B. Public Hearing and Approval of Resolution No. 07-26-27 Authorizing the Dedication of an Easement to Southern California Edison at the Maintenance, Operations and Transportation Yard

A public hearing was held regarding Resolution No. 07-26-27 authorizing the dedication of an easement to Southern California Edison at the Maintenance, Operations and Transportation Yard. No public comments were received.

It is recommended that the Board of Education:
1. Conduct a public hearing on the subject of dedicating an easement to Southern California Edison.
2. Adopt the attached Resolution 07-26-27 authorizing the dedication of an easement to Southern California Edison.

Motion made by: Matthew Thomas
Motion seconded by: Sierra Vane Ph.D.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

C. Public Hearing on the Sufficiency of Textbooks, Instructional Materials and Science Lab Equipment (9-12) and Adoption of Board Resolution No. 05-26-27

Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Dr. Matt Witmer presented the annual report on the sufficiency of textbooks, instructional materials, and science laboratory equipment, noting that the District met the requirements of Education Code section 60119. A public hearing was held, and no public comments were received.

It is recommended that the Board of Education hold a public hearing, adopt Resolution No. 05-26-27 and certify to the California Department of Education that the District has complied with the requirements of Education Code Section 60119.

Motion made by: Sara Pelly
Motion seconded by: Ana Martinez Goodlander

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

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

Superintendent Monárrez clarified that the version of the policy originally uploaded with the

agenda contained a clerical error and that the corrected language states that students may ride non-electric bicycles to school beginning in third grade. Dr. Sue Singh, Senior Chief Executive Officer of Student Services, SELPA, and Special Education, and Heriberto Angel, Executive Director of Student & Community Services, responded to Board questions regarding bicycle and e-bike safety education, bike storage, skateboards and other conveyances, middle school implementation, partnerships with law enforcement and parent organizations, and compliance with rules of the road.

Trustees emphasized student safety and discussed opportunities for additional education, community partnerships, and clarification of the policy. Superintendent Monárrez explained that many of the specific implementation details discussed by the Board would be addressed through the administrative regulation and recommended holding the item to allow staff to incorporate Board feedback and consult with legal counsel.

Public Comment: Crystal Miles: requested that the District include language addressing communication with parents regarding e-bike requirements and consequences.

Superintendent Monárrez clarified that Board policy establishes what the District seeks to accomplish, while the administrative regulation addresses how the policy is implemented, including day-to-day procedures.

Updated recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Education table Item 7D, Proposed Revisions to Board Policies and Bylaws – Second Reading and Approval, take no action on the proposed revisions at this meeting, and direct staff to bring the item back for Board consideration on October 15, 2026, following additional review and revisions.

Motion made by: Matthew Thomas
Motion seconded by: Sara Pelly

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

E. Adoption of Resolution No. 09-26-27 : Authorizing Participation in Social Media and Video Game Addiction Litigation

Superintendent Monárrez presented Resolution No. 09-26-27 authorizing the District to participate in social media and video game addiction litigation. She emphasized that the District supports educational technology and that the litigation is not anti-technology, but instead concerns allegations that certain companies intentionally designed products to encourage excessive or compulsive use among children and adolescents. She also noted that participation would be at no cost to the District unless there is a recovery.

Trustees discussed the contingency fee structure, the limited staff burden associated with participating in the litigation, and the companies involved, including Meta, Google, TikTok, and Snap. Trustee Erickson noted that the District would not be responsible for fees or costs if there is no recovery and that much of the litigation work is being coordinated through the broader multi-district action.

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 09-26-27 authorizing

the District to participate in and pursue claims relating to social media addiction and video game addiction litigation, and authorize the Superintendent or designee, in consultation with legal counsel, to take such actions and execute such documents as are reasonably necessary to implement the Resolution.

Motion made by: Sara Pelly
Motion seconded by: Kris Erickson J.D.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

8. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Orange Unified Public Schools Foundation Update

Orange Unified Public Schools Foundation President Mr. Tucker provided an update on fall activities and fundraising efforts, including a new multi-year sponsorship with Raising Cane's at Fred Kelly Stadium, the Fourth of July fireworks booth, Street Fair fundraising benefiting student groups, and upcoming school and teacher grants. He also promoted the October 14 Celebration of Schools at El Modena High School and encouraged continued sponsorship support. Lisa Green shared additional details about the event, noting that the community showcase begins at 4:45 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m.

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

Superintendent Monárrez introduced the item. Deputy Superintendent of Business, Operations & Strategy Dr. Jacqueline Perez-Chaidez highlighted revisions to Board Policy 3312: Contracts, intended to strengthen transparency, accountability, contract review, student data privacy, and internal checks and balances.

Board members discussed the distinction between Board policy and administrative regulation, the proposed contract approval and ratification thresholds, and how contracts would be presented on the Consent Calendar. Trustees requested clarification that operational details removed from the policy would remain in the administrative regulation and asked staff to provide greater specificity regarding language addressing contracts that generate funds for District schools and students.

Public comment: Crystal Miles: Expressed concern about significant contracts remaining on the Consent Calendar.

9. CONSENT ITEMS

The vote applies to all Consent Items 9A through 9G, with the exception of the following items pulled for separate discussion and action:
Item 9.D.3: Turnitin, was pulled to allow for public comments.

The remaining Consent Items were moved and approved.

Motion made by: Kris Erickson J.D.

Motion seconded by: Andrea Yamasaki

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Stephen Glass Ed.D., Kris Erickson J.D., Sara Pelly, Andrea Yamasaki, Ana Martinez Goodlander, Sierra Vane Ph.D.
>
> Not Present: Matthew Thomas

A. CONSENT ITEMS - MEASURE S

B. CONSENT ITEMS - BUSINESS, OPERATIONS & STRATEGY

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 8/3/26 to 8/30/26.

3. Warrants List

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Warrants List dated 8/3/26 to 8/30/26.

4. Bid No. 2526-964 Asphalt Replacement at Multiple Sites, Change Order Nos. 3 - 7

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order Nos. 3 - 7 in the total amount of $27,876 for Bid No. 2526-964 Asphalt Replacement Multiple Sites awarded to Universal Asphalt Co.

5. Out-of-State Conference Request - LA28 Games Transportation Leadership Council - Colorado Springs, CO - October 7-8, 2026

It is recommended the Board of Education approve this out-of-state conference request as presented.

6. Resolution 08-26-27: Gann Amendment Appropriations Limit

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 08-26-27: Gann Amendment Appropriations Limit, for the current and preceding fiscal years in accordance with Article XIII-B of the California Constitution.

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

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

8. Bid No. 2526-963 Tennis Court Fencing at Villa Park High School, Change Order No. 01

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order No. 01, in the amount of $18,703 for Bid No. 2526-963 awarded to J&A Fence.

9. Authorize Use of San Bernardino City Unified School District Bid No. 26-15, for the purchase of Paint, Related Materials, and Supplies on an as-needed basis and to secure discount percentage(s), a piggyback bid awarded to Vista Paint Corporation, and Sherwin Williams Company.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the use of San Bernardino City Unified School District Bid No. 26-15 for the purchase of Paint, Related Materials, and Supplies awarded to Vista Paint Corporation and Sherwin-Williams Company, effective October 22, 2025, through October 21, 2030, and all future contract renewal options.

10. Authorize for Use of California Multiple Award Schedule Contract No. 4-25-08-1003 awarded to Carrier Corporation.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve CMAS Contract No. 4-25-08-1003, awarded to Carrier Corporation, effective until December 31, 2027, and all future contract renewal options.

11. Authorize for Use of The Foundation for California Community Colleges awarded Agreement No. 0000-9711 to Konica Minolta Business Solutions USA Inc.

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the use of Foundation for California Community Colleges Agreement No. 0000-9711, RFP No. 24-001, awarded to Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc., effective October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2029, and all future contract renewal options through the maximum term of September 30, 2034.

12. Bid No. 2526-978 Panorama Elementary School Portable Classroom Addition, Change Order No. 01

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order No. 01 in the amount of $8,750.00 for Bid No. 2526-978 awarded to Incotechnic, Inc.

13. Ines Architects

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Ines Architects for architectural and engineering services for the relocation of an existing DSA-approved relocatable restroom building from El Modena High School to Villa Park High School in an amount not to exceed $26,500.

14. Optimum Energy Design, LLC

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Optimum Energy Design, LLC for engineering services for the replacement of HVAC systems

including controls at Esplanade, Nohl Canyon, Olive, and Running Springs Elementary Schools in the amount of $380,000.

15. Approval of Contingent Fee Contract for Legal Services — Social Media and Video Game Addiction Litigation

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Contingent Fee Contract for Legal Services with Bullock Legal Group, LLC, Jeremy Fietz, Attorney at Law, and the Law Office of David Bush for representation of the District in social media addiction and video game addiction litigation, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement and any documents necessary to effectuate the representation.

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 - Variable or Short-Term Waiver - CTE EL Waiver

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the variable term waivers as presented for the listed certificated employees who have consented to the assignments and have been deemed competent by site administration, allowing the District to maintain compliance with SB 435.

3. College and University Agreements (MOUs)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached Memoranda of Understanding.

4. Leadership Associates, LLC

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Leadership Associates in an amount not to exceed $46,687.50.

5. School Employers Association of California (SEAC)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with SEAC, in an amount not to exceed $54,000, commencing upon board approval and continuing through June 30, 2027.

D. CONSENT ITEMS - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. PIER Network - Orange Lutheran High School

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the service agreement with Pier Network agreement and Orange Lutheran High School.

2. Consolidated Application (CONAPP) Submission for the 2026-2027 School Year

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the submission of the Consolidated Application for the 2026-2027 school year to the California Department of Education.

3. Turnitin

Item 9.D.3 was pulled to allow public comment:
Jolin Lang, OUSD parent: expressed concern about relying solely on AI-detection software to determine whether student work was generated by artificial intelligence and encouraged the use of additional methods to verify original student work.

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

Motion made by: Matthew Thomas
Motion seconded by: Ana Martinez Goodlander

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

4. Ratification - Discovery Education, Inc.

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify this agreement with Discovery Education, Inc.

5. Williams Settlement Legislation 4th Quarter Report

It is recommended that the Board of Education receive the Williams Settlement Legislation 4th Quarter Report.

6. Simon Builders' Apprenticeship Program Agreement

It is recommended to continue the Simon Builders' Partnership at El Modena High School for the 2026-27 school year.

7. Coast 2 Coast Coaching, Inc. dba Elevo - McPherson Magnet School

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Coast 2 Coast Coaching, Inc. dba Elevo for McPherson Magnet School.

8. Cardonex, Inc.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this agreement with Cardonex, Inc.

9. Ratification - Orange County Superintendent of Schools Career Technical Education Teacher Credentialing Program

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the Memorandum of Understanding between the Orange County Superintendent of Schools CTE Credentialing program and Orange Unified School District.

10. Approval of Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report.

11. Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Award

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent or designee to accept the Agricultural Career Technical Educational Incentive Grant Award for the 2026-2027 school year.

E. CONSENT ITEMS - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES/STUDY TRIPS

1. Canyon High School - Boys Varsity Basketball - Las Vegas, NV - October 1-4, 2026

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the study trip as presented.

2. El Modena High School - Cross Country Team - Clovis, CA - October 8-9, 2026

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the study trip for El Modena High School's cross-country team and coaches to participate in the 47th Asics Clovis Invitational.

3. Villa Park High School - Cross Country Team - Clovis, CA - October 8-10, 2026

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the study trip for Villa Park High School's cross country team and coaches to participate in the 47th Asics Clovis Invitational.

F. CONSENT ITEMS - STUDENT SUPPORT/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. Disciplina Positiva

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Disciplina Positiva at Portola Middle School.

2. Ratification - CPR 1, LLC

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the contract with CPR 1, LLC.

3. Ratification - Latino Film Institute Youth Cinema Project Agreement

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the agreement with Latino Film Institute Youth Cinema Project in the amount of $289,911.

4. Ratification - Memorandum of Understanding with the Orange County Superintendent of Schools for the 2026–2027 School Year

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding (Agreement No. 10009390) with OCDE for audiology

services for the 2026–2027 school year, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

5. Ratification - Nonpublic School Master Contract

It is recommended the Board of Education ratify the attached 2026-2027 Nonpublic School Master Contract with Linden Oaks for the education of students with exceptional needs.

6. Young Dragons LLC

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Young Dragons LLC.

G. CONSENT ITEMS - BOARD OF EDUCATION/SUPERINTENDENT

1. Out-of-State Conference Request - Chiefs for Change - Cambridge, MA - October 18-21, 2026

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the out-of-state conference request as presented.

2. Out-of-State Conference Request - Superintendent as Civic Leader - Cambridge, MA - November 12-14, 2026

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the out-of-state conference request as presented.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT, NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments: Louise Norred, Melissa Fitch, Kitty Feeney, and Sammie Zare: Expressed concern about ongoing HVAC failures at Crescent Elementary School, the impact on students and staff, and the need for timely repairs, clear response protocols, and a long-term solution.
Jolin Lang, OUSD parent: Expressed concern about extreme heat conditions across the District and encouraged the development of a broader plan to address student and staff safety during periods of excessive heat.

At 10:03 pm, the board president entertained a motion to extend the meeting until 11 pm. Moved by Trustee Thomas, 2nd by Trustee Pelly. Unanimously approved.

Superintendent Monárrez acknowledged the ongoing HVAC challenges and stated that the District is committed to addressing them through both immediate and long-term actions. She shared that staff will bring forward a broader deferred maintenance plan in October and develop written standard operating procedures for responding to extreme heat and HVAC failures, including when classrooms should be relocated and how staff and families will be informed.

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Vang

Trustee Vahe

- Thanked local law enforcement for promoting slower driving near schools and shared her experience navigating the new math curriculum and ParentSquare as a parent.
- Emphasized that families, staff, and the District are working through the start of the school year together and expressed optimism for the year ahead.

Trustee Yamasaki

- Thanked teachers, classified staff, and school employees for their work in opening the school year and shared highlights from visits to Canyon Rim, Cambridge, and Handy.
- Recognized the continued involvement of parent volunteers and community groups, including OUCPTA, Legislative Coalition, STARS Foundation, and the Canyon High School Foundation, and expressed appreciation for strong parent support across the District.

Trustee Martinez Goodlander

- Expressed appreciation for the District's long-term HVAC planning and emphasized the need for immediate communication and action when HVAC failures disrupt students and classrooms.
- Shared highlights from first-day visits to Handy, Esplanade, West Orange, and Linda Vista, noted her upcoming participation in a Mexican Independence Day celebration, and encouraged families to make nightly reading a shared activity.

Trustee Pelly

- Acknowledged the challenges at the start of the school year while also recognizing the many positive efforts taking place across the District, and shared visits to Taft, Handy, and Chapman Hills.
- Recognized September as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and reminded the community that 988 is available by call or text for anyone experiencing a mental health crisis or needing support.

Trustee Thomas

- Thanked Trustee Pelly for consistently raising awareness about suicide prevention and shared highlights from school visits.
- Shared that he volunteered at Children's Street in support of OUPSF and thanked the other volunteers who helped make the event successful.

Trustee Erickson

- Thanked District staff for the summer learning programs, reiterated the Board's commitment to addressing long-standing HVAC concerns, and recognized community partners for donating backpacks and school supplies.
- Shared that she volunteered at Children's Street and thanked OUPSF for creating opportunities for student groups to serve the community while raising funds for their programs.

Board President Glass

- Emphasized the importance of community, communication, and trust, and reiterated that the Board and District leadership are committed to addressing concerns affecting students and staff.
- Stated that the District should identify problems, communicate openly, and take action to resolve them.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 p.m.