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HOLTVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Governing Board of Trustees

Special Board Meeting

November 3, 2026

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SPECIAL MEETING
of the
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HOLTVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Tuesday, November 3, 2026
CLOSED SESSION 10:00 A.M., OPEN SESSION IMMEDIATLEY FOLLOWING
Holtville Unified School District, Board Room, 621 East Sixth Street, Holtville, CA. 92250

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1. ***PRELIMINARY***
Call to Order
Flag Salute
Roll Call

	Present	*Absent*
Julie Duarte, President	____	____
Kevin Grizzle, Clerk	____	____
Larry Iten, Member	____	____
Jared Garewal, Member	____	____
Ben Abatti Jr., Member	____	____

2. ***MODIFICATIONS OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA, IF ANY.***
Motion: _____ *Second:* _____ *Ayes:* ___ *Nays:* ___ *Vote:* __-__

3. ***STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA.***
At this time, members of the public may address the Board only as to items on the closed session agenda. If you wish to address the Board, please stand, give your name and address and proceed to the podium from which you will speak. Individual presentations shall not be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed twenty minutes.

4. ***CLOSED SESSION***
A) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (paragraph 1 of subdivision D of Government Code section 54956.9 (HTA Grievance)

5. ***REPORTABLE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS:***

6. ***PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA AND ON NON AGENDA ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC THAT ARE WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.*** *At this time, members of the public may address the Board only as to items on the open session agenda or items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Public comment will not be taken during the Board's consideration of an item on the open session agenda. If you wish to address the Board, please stand, give your name and address and proceed to the podium from which you will speak. Individual presentations shall not be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed twenty minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, unless an item has been placed on the published agenda, there shall be no action taken. 1) The Board may acknowledge receipt of the information, 2) refer to staff for further study, or 3) refer the matter to the next agenda*

7. ***ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS***

The Board is asked to approve the following items:

A) *Approve Board Resolution 2026/27-005 Authorizing the Filing of an Application for Modernization Funding with the Office of Public-School Construction*

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Motion: _____ *Second:* _____
Roll Call Vote: Duarte: _____ *Grizzle:* _____ *Iten:* _____ *Garewal:* _____ *Abatti:* _____
Ayes: _____ *Nays:* _____ *Vote:* ___ - ___

9. ***FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATE***

Monday, November 16, 2026, is the next Regular Board Meeting

10. ***ADJOURNMENT***

HOLTVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board Meeting Agenda

ACTION/DISCUSSION

RESOLUTION NO. 2026/27-005
RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
HOLTVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR
MODERNIZATION FUNDING WITH THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the Holtville Unified School District desires to obtain funding for eligible modernization projects pursuant to Chapter 12.5, Part 10, Division 1, commencing with Section 17070.10 of the California Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to submit one or more applications to the State Allocation Board and the Office of Public School Construction for modernization funding for eligible school facilities; and

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the facilities included in the application meet the eligibility requirements of the School Facility Program; and

WHEREAS, the District has established and maintains a facilities inspection system consistent with Education Code Section 17070.75, ensuring that school facilities are maintained in good repair; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Public School Construction requires evidence that the Governing Board has authorized the filing of such application(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Holtville Unified School District hereby authorizes the submission of applications for modernization funding through the School Facility Program for eligible district facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Chief Business Official, or their designee is authorized to execute and submit all required applications, certifications, assurances, and supporting documentation necessary to obtain such funding and to take any actions necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the

Holtville Unified School District at a meeting held on November 3rd, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

_____

President, Governing Board

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Clerk/Secretary, Governing Board