

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING 11-18-2025 #1136

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

The Board of Education President, Soyon Hardy, called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 pm at Oak Park High School Presentation Room, G9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park.

BOARD PRESENT

Soyon Hardy, President, Jim Moynihan, Vice President, Megan Lantsman, Clerk, and Mary Pallant, Member

BOARD ABSENT

Denise Helfstein, Member

STAFF PRESENT

Anais Wenn, Superintendent, Ragini Aggarwal, Public Information and Strategic Communications Officer

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

A. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOWING

ITEMS:

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT: Campus Supervisor, Guest Teachers, Instructional Assistant III Inclusive Support, Substitute Custodian, Walk-on Coaches

2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE: Government Code Section 54957

3. SUPERINTENDENT GOALS

4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: Government Code 54957.6
Agency Designated Representatives: Adam Rauch and Stewart McGugan
Employee Organizations: Oak Park Teachers Association

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:04 pm.

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

The Board of Education President, Soyon Hardy called the regular meeting to order at 6:04 pm at 899 Kanan Road, Oak Park, CA 91377.

BOARD PRESENT

Soyon Hardy, President, Jim Moynihan, Vice President, Megan Lantsman, Clerk, and Mary Pallant, Member

BOARD ABSENT

Denise Helfstein, Member, Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Rep

STAFF PRESENT

Anais Wenn, Superintendent, Stew McGugan, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Ellen Chevalier, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Ragini Aggarwal, Public Information and Strategic Communications Officer

FLAG SALUTE

Soyon Hardy led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Board President Soyon Hardy reported that in closed session tonight there were no actions taken.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On motion of Jim Moynihan, seconded by Megan Lantsman, the Board of Education adopted the agenda. Motion carried Aye: Hardy, Lantsman, Moynihan, Pallant. No - 0. Absent: Helfstein. Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Member – Preferential Vote: Absent

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

There was one public speaker on a non-agenda item. Mr. Mark Perryman introduced himself as a candidate for Ventura County Supervisor in 2026 and spoke about the importance of mental health services and community partnerships to support students and families.

REMARKS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Member Mary Pallant reported on her tour to Medea Creek Middle School and commended all staff and students on how well everyone works together.

Clerk Megan Lanstman reported on her visit to Medea Creed Middle School and thanked the principal and staff. She reported attending the District of Choice Webinar, the Parenting in an AI World Webinar, the Curriculum Council Meeting where they heard site updates, learned of a course title change, and did a reading for a potential new book for the middle school, and the AI Tech Committee where they reviewed a technology plan. She commended Director of Technology Dana Thompson for running the meeting and coordinating all of the students involved. Megan reported that during the Digital Citizenship Sub-Committee meeting, they researched what other districts are doing in the way of AI in their schools as well as the new state law which will require the integration of AI into curriculum. She expressed her gratitude for the exceptional team working on this subject.

Vice President Jim Moynihan continued Megan's comments on the Digital Citizenship Sub-Committee's meeting. He reported on his tour to Medea Creek Middle School. He reported on the Measure S Committee, stating that they are working to keep a strict budget for the district's facilities. He also stated he attended the play Alice by Heart as well.

President Soyon reported that she visited Medea Creek Middle School and discussed her pride for the students and staff. She reported that they held a Master Schedule discussion for the high school. She also gave an update provided by Assistant Athletic Director Tim Chevalier, stating the football team made it to the playoffs and won their first game, then fell off before the quarter finals, the cross country teams are undefeated thus far, and that girl's volleyball, tennis, and golf teams continue to have league championships.

REMARKS FROM STUDENT BOARD MEMBER

Absent

REMARKS FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Wenn shared that the OPHS held a well attended career fair on October 15th and thanked Ms. Fitz and Ms. Preston and all those who helped coordinate the event, including the parent volunteers. She stated that every site participated in The Great California Shake Out on October 16th at 10:16 am, which gave them the opportunity to identify the strengths and opportunities for betterment of earthquake safety protocols. She attended two Diwali celebrations at MCMS, which she stated was coordinated by parents and was a beautiful display of parents sharing the event with future MCMS families, and at OPHS celebration coordinated by students, which included amazing dancing and fashion. She attended two of the girl's volleyball games and gave compliments to their coach. She reported on the PD day held on October 31st, stated her thanks to Director of Curriculum Ellen Chevalier, discussed the presentation on Mahmoud vs Taylor presented by Ellen Chevalier and Public Communications Officer Ragini Aggarwal, and stated there were collaborative opportunities for teachers at different grade levels.

She reported on her observation an Advanced Peer Counseling class, taught by two counselors Ms Sheret

and Ms Vaboda, and stated comments from the students about what they liked about the high school focussed on the teachers, learning environment, connections they made, inclusivity, wellness center. She discussed that the lesson was taught by two of the students with a focus on recognizing stressors in their lives and how to address them in a healthy way. Lastly, Superintendent Wenn discussed that the Board and herself are finishing the site visits before the holiday begins, completing their goal to visit each site and teacher prior to the end of the first semester. The final site visit will be December 8th. She stated the plan for second semester site visits, starting in February and invited the board to sign up for the site visits they wish to participate in. She thanked the governing board for the site visits, cooperation in the district committees, the effort they put into volunteering, and availability to her, and stated how fortunate she is to have such a wonderful board.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Megan Lantsman, seconded by Jim Moynihan, the Board of Education approved the consent agenda. Motion carried Aye: Hardy, Lantsman, Moynihan, Pallant. No - 0. Absent: Helfstein. Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Member – Preferential Vote: Absent

- 5.1. Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 14, 2025, and Special Board Meeting held on November 5, 2025
- 5.2. Approve Public Employee Employment/Changes Classified Personnel
- 5.3. Approve Public Employee Employment/Changes Certificated Personnel
- 5.4. Ratify Purchase Orders October 1- October 31
- 5.5. Approve Agreement with Arizona School of Health Sciences for Speech Language Pathologist Intern for January 5, 2026, through January 4, 2029
- 5.6. Approve Overnight Trip for Oak Park High School Girls' Varsity Basketball, January 1-3, 2026; Concord, CA
- 5.7. Approve Out Of State Travel For Director Of Student Nutrition To Attend The School Nutrition Association Annual National Conference In Austin, TX, January 10-13, 2026
- 5.8. Approve Selection of Annual Organizational Board Meeting for December 2025
- 5.9. Ratify the Sale of Obsolete Equipment Student Nutrition Services Refrigerator

6. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

6.1. Approve School Plan for Student Achievement 2025-2026

On motion of Megan Lantsman, seconded by Jim Moynihan, the Board of Education approved the School Plan for Student Achievement. Motion carried Aye: Hardy, Lantsman, Moynihan, Pallant. No - 0. Absent: Helfstein. Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Member – Preferential Vote: Absent

7. BOARD POLICIES

- 7.1. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan

On motion of Megan Lantsman, seconded by Jim Moynihan, the Board of Education approved the amendment to board policy and administrative regulation 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan. Motion carried Aye: Hardy, Lantsman, Moynihan, Pallant. No - 0. Absent: Helfstein. Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Member – Preferential Vote: Absent

- 7.2. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 1340 Access to District Records
- 7.3. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3515.4 Recovery for Property Loss or Damage
- 7.4. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3580 District Records
- 7.5. Approve Amendment to Administrative Regulation 4112.23 and Revise Title from Qualifications/Assignment of Special Education Teachers to Special Education Staff
- 7.6. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5113.2 Work Permits

7.7. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5125 Student Records

7.8. Approved Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation and Adoption of Exhibit 5125.1 Release of Directory Information

7.9. Approve Amendment to Board Bylaw 9005 Governance Standards

On motion of Jim Moynihan, seconded by Megan Lantsman, the Board of Education approved board policy items 7.2 - 7.9. Motion carried Aye: Hardy, Lantsman, Moynihan, Pallant. No - 0. Absent: Helfstein. Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Member – Preferential Vote: Absent

7.10. Approve Revision of Title of Board Policy 7310 – Naming of School or Facility – to Naming of Facility to Match CSBA’s Updated Title

7.11. Approve Deletion of Board Policies, Administrative Regulations to Match CSBA’s Policy Guidelines

Policies and regulations proposed for removal

AR 0200 – Goals of Education

AR 0220 – Goals of the Instructional Program

BP/AR 3120 – Budget Systems/Principles of Decentralization

BP 3295 – Resource Reserve Fund (Fund 400) BP 3296 – Technology and Economic Uncertainties Fund

BP/AR 3511.2 – Waste Management and Environmental Purchasing

AR 4119.21 / 4219.21 / 4319.21 - Professional Standards

BP 4131.5 – Professional Growth

BP/AR 4137 – Tutoring and Counseling

BP/AR 5131.3 Student Driving and Parking

BP 5149 – At-Risk Students

BP/AR 6030 – Integrated Academic and Vocational Instruction

AR 6142.4 – Learning Through Community Service

BP/AR 6142.94 - Credits for Foreign Language Study in a Private School

BP 7132 – Placement of Wireless Telecommunication Towers

BB 9221 – Recruiting New Board Members

On motion of Jim Moynihan, seconded by Megan Lantsman, the Board of Education approved board policy items 7.10-7.11. Motion carried Aye: Hardy, Lantsman, Moynihan, Pallant. No - 0. Absent: Helfstein. Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Member – Preferential Vote: Absent

7.12. Annual Review of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment

7.13. Annual Review of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6145 Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities

On motion of Jim Moynihan, seconded by Mary Pallant, the Board of Education approved board policy items 7.12-7.13. Motion carried Aye: Hardy, Lantsman, Moynihan, Pallant. No - 0.

Absent: Helfstein. Kelsey Frieborn, Student Board Member – Preferential Vote: Absent

8. OPEN DISCUSSION AGENDA ITEMS

8.1. Upcoming Meetings and Agenda Items

8.2. December 16, 2025 Organizational Meeting

9. INFORMATION ITEMS/REPORTS

9.1. Monthly Measure S Report - October

9.2. Monthly Cash Flow Report - October

9.3. Monthly General Fund Report - October

9.4. Month 3 Enrollment And Attendance Report

9.5. Vcoe Approval Letter For Oak Park Usd 2024-2025 Unaudited Actuals Letter

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Megan Lantsman, seconded by Jim Moynihan, there being no further business before this Board, the regular meeting held on November 18, 2025 is declared adjourned at 6:57

pm.

Date President of the Board

Date Clerk or Secretary of the Board