

Regular Board of Education Meeting/Reunión ordinaria de la Junta de Educación 11/19/2025 06:00 PM

Open Session Begins at/La sesión abierta comienza a las 6PM (Closed Session Begins at/la sesión cerrada comienza a las 5PM)

In-Person Attendance & Via Live Stream on YouTube/Asistencia en Persona y Transmisión en YouTube

Marigold School/Escuela Marigold , 2446 Marigold Ave., Chico, California 95926

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance

Voting Members

Tom Lando, Board President - Trustee Area 4
Rebecca Konkin, Board Vice President - Trustee Area 1
Gayle Olsen, Board Clerk - Trustee Area 2
Eileen Robinson, Board Member - Trustee Area 5
Teisha Hase, Board Member - Trustee Area 3

Non-Voting Members

Greg Blake, Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services John Shepherd, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:00 p.m. Board President Lando called the Regular Board Meeting to order at Marigold Elementary School, Multipurpose Room, 2446 Marigold Avenue, Chico and announced the Board was going into Closed Session.

1. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

There were no public comments on Closed Session Items.

2. CLOSED SESSION

- 1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
- 2. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation
- 3. Public Employee Discipline\Dismissal\Release
- 4. Update on Labor Negotiations

3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

1. Call to Order

At 6:02 p.m. Board President Lando called the Regular Board Meeting to order and stated the Board had been in Closed Session.

2. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

Board President Lando stated there were no actions taken in Closed Session.

3. Flag Salute

Board President Lando led the salute to the flag.

4. STUDENT REPORTS

Pleasant Valley High School's Principal Damon Whittaker introduced Teacher Chloe Bristow. Two Students Grace Anderson and Giselle Cruz spoke regarding the Ornamental Horticulture Pathway. Then Chico High School's Principal Erica Sheridan introduced Teacher Tiffany Ridenour, a CTE ART teacher and the students Angie Villalobos and Abby See to share information on the Leadership and Marketing Club's upcoming Holiday Market Event.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOGNITION

At 6:14 p.m. Pleasant Valley High School's (PVHS's) Principal Damon Whittaker presented the Superintendent's Award to PVHS Campus Supervisor John Forayter and PVHS Science Teacher Bill Flory. Assistant Superintendent Tina Keene reported on Community Schools Grant progress. Little Chico Creek Elementary School recently received the grant, becoming the district's fifth Community Schools site. Fair View High School (alternative education) reported improved attendance, increasing from 66% to 80.3%, supported by the purchase of a van using Community Schools Grant Funding and a strong team effort.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

CSEA Chico Chapter #110 Chapter Vice President Holly Ponciano recognized CSEA employee Rita Rodriguez in the Transportation Department.

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

At 6:36 p.m. Board President Lando opened the floor to public comment. One speaker spoke for a total of three minutes in support of a public comment submitted in the Board packet.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

At 6:38 p.m. Board President Lando asked if anyone would like to pull a Consent Item for further discussion. Board Member Hase pulled Consent Items 8.3.2. and 8.3.4 to ask clarifying questions.

Assistant Superintendent Tina Keene answered questions regarding the contract to purchase 280 Chromebooks. Deputy Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger answered a question regarding Measure K and Measure C project funding. A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase Motion seconded by: Gayle Olsen

Voting:

Tom Lando - Yes Rebecca Konkin - Yes Gayle Olsen - Yes Eileen Robinson - Yes Teisha Hase - Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

1. GENERAL

- 1. The Board Approved the Minutes of 10/15/25 Regular Board Meeting and 11/5/25 Special Board Meeting/Workshop
- 2. The Board Approved the Items Donated to the Chico Unified School District

2. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

- 1. The Board Approved the Expulsion of Student with the Following ID: 106106
- 2. The Board Approved the Chico Unified School District Monthly Enrollment Update
- 3. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Girls Basketball to Attend Varsity Basketball Tournament in Arcata, CA from 12/2/25-12/4/25
- 4. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Wrestling in Oakley, CA from 12/5/25-12/6/25

- 5. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Wrestling in Sunnvyale. CA from 12/12/25 12/13/
- 6. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Wrestling in Healdsburg, CA from 12/19/25-12/20/25
- 7. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Boys Wrestling in Roseville, CA 12/19/25- 2/20/25
- The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Boys Basketball in Fort Bragg, CA from 12/29/25-12/31/25
- 9. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Wrestling Tournament in Napa. CA from 1/8/26-1/10/26
- 10. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Wrestling Tournament in Livermore, CA from 1/16/26-1/17/26
- 11. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Wrestling Tournament in Morro Bay, CA from 1/22/26-1/25/26
- 12. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Theatre to Attend the Theatre Festival in Folsom. CA from 2/7/26 2/8/26
- The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Wrestling California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Qualifying Tournament in Redding, CA from 2/20/2026-2/21/2026
- 14. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request Chico High School Wrestling Championship in Bakersfield, CA from 2/25/2026-2/29/2026
- 15. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Softball Game in Monterey, CA from 3/13/2026-3/14/2026
- 16. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Softball Tournament in Reno, NV from 4/3/26-4/4/26
- 17. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Softball Tournament in Susanville, CA from 4/24/26-4/25/26
- 18. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Girls Basketball to Attend Basketball Tournament in Orinda, CA from 12/4/25-12/6/
- The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Girls Basketball to Attend Basketball Tournament in Redding, CA from 12/12/25-12/13/
- The Board Approved the 2025-26 Williams Settlement Monitoring for Instructional Materials Sufficiency and Facility Review

3. BUSINESS SERVICES

- 1. The Board Approved the Account Payable Warrants
- 2. The Board Approved the Contracts
- 3. The Board Approved the Notice of Completion McManus New Construction & Modernization
- 4. The Board Approved the Charter Schools Measure K and C Projects Requests
- 5. The Board Approved the Construction Projects Skilled And Trained Workforce Requirement
- 6. The Board Approved the Agreement between Chico Unified School District and the City of Chico for the 2026 Road Rehabilitation Ceanothus Avenue

4. HUMAN RESOURCES

- 1. The Board Approved the Certificated Human Resources Actions
- 2. The Board Approved the Classified Human Resources Actions

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

1. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

 INFORMATIONAL: Learning Communities for School Success Program (LCSSP) Grant Board Report (Presented by Pedro Caldera, Director Secondary Education)

At 6:48 p.m. Director Pedro Caldera provided a brief presentation on the Learning Communities for School Success Program (LCSSP) Grant, including key funded initiatives such as Reset Rooms, expansion of campus supervision, and the addition of a Data Analyst position and the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) coaching and support programs for our students. Board President Lando stated this is informational only, and no action is needed.

2. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Measure C 65% Charter School Allocation (Submitted by Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent Business Services)

At 7:21 p.m. Deputy Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger shared at the October 15, 2025, Board Meeting, the Board approved Sherwood Montessori's application in the amount of \$5,604,476 and Blue Oak's application in the amount of \$1,897,718. On November 3, 2025, CUSD discovered a mathematical error that resulted in a remaining balance of \$1,001,000. The Board discussed the intent of the motion and the process for allocating the remaining balance. Board Member Robinson made a motion to add the \$1,001,000 and the \$1,897,718 together and make that continued to be available to Blue Oak Charter School; seconded by Board Member Hase. After Board discussion, Board Member Robinson withdrew her motion from the floor.

A motion was made to allocate the remaining funds back into the Measure C Charter Fund and announce to the charter school partners that they will be available for the December charter deadline and to agree that it is the priority of the Board to see Blue Oak Charter School get a permanent home. The Board provided direction to staff to ensure that CUSD staff clearly communicated to Blue Oak that the remaining funds are available for them to apply.

Board President Lando amended the motion on the floor. The amended motion was to return the newly found \$1,001,000 into the Measure C funding pot.

Motion made by: Tom Lando Motion seconded by: Teisha Hase

Voting:

Tom Lando - Yes Rebecca Konkin - No Gayle Olsen - Yes Eileen Robinson - Yes Teisha Hase – Yes

The motion passed (4-1).

Board President Lando made a motion to in a non-binding but supportive way, recognize the importance of getting a permanent home for Blue Oak Charter School; seconded by Board Member Hase. After Board discussion, Board Member Hase withdrew her second on the motion. The motion died for lack of a second.

The \$1,001,000 will be returned to the general Measure C Charter School account and CUSD staff will reach out to inform all charter school, including Blue Oak Charter School, and will clearly communicate that the funds are available for the next

Charter School project allocation submissions due in December.

3. BOARD

1. INFORMATIONAL: Changes to Assembly Bill 1390 Related to Increase in Compensation of Board Members in Accordance with Education Code 35120 (Submitted by Board Trustees)

At 7:52 p.m. Board President Lando shared Assembly Bill 1390 changes the maximum compensation allowable. With the passage of the law, Ed Code was updated to allow for Board Member compensation in a school district the size of CUSD to increase to \$2,000 as the maximum. Board President Lando shared that the current compensation is \$400/month. The Board discussed ideas for determining the best method for any compensation increases. Inflation and hourly wages were potential factors to consider. Financial impacts were also discussed.

Board President Lando opened the floor to public comment. One speaker spoke for three minutes. The speaker spoke with clarification on the work and staff the Board represents. Board President Lando shared that this is informational only and will be brought forward for discussion/action at the December Board Meeting.

- 2. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion Regarding Election of Officers in Preparation for Next Month's Annual Organizational Meeting (Presented by Board Trustees) At 8:14 p.m., Board President Lando asked those interested in serving as a Board officer next year to share their interest. Board President Lando shared that this is informational only and will be included in the agenda for the Annual Organizational Meeting in December.
- INFORMATIONAL: Draft 2026 Board Meeting Calendar In Preparation for Next Month's Annual Organizational Meeting (Submitted by Superintendent Greg Blake)

At 8:23 p.m. the Board discussed the draft Board Meeting calendar for 2026. Board President Lando stated this is informational only, and the calendar will be brought forward for discussion/action at the December Annual Organizational Meeting.

10. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no items from the floor.

11. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST TO AGENDIZE ITEM

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Board Member Request to Agendize a Discussion to Hear Information from the NS Carpenters' Union Regarding the Apprenticeship Program in Fairfield and the Possibility of Taking Students to See the Facility (Submitted by Board Member Hase)

At 8:32 p.m. Board Member Hase provided an overview of the agenda item request. A motion was made to invite the NS Carpenters' Union to present information regarding their apprenticeship program in January.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase Motion seconded by: Rebecca Konkin

Voting:

Tom Lando - Yes Rebecca Konkin - Yes Gayle Olsen - Yes Eileen Robinson - No Teisha Hase – Yes

The motion passed (4-1).

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Board Member Request to Agendize a Discussion to Potentially Add a Student Consultation Period by Perhaps Reducing the Periods by Five (5) Minutes Each to Reallocate the Time for a Period Together for Students to Consult with Teachers (Submitted By Board Member Hase)

At 8:35 p.m. Board Member Hase provided an overview of the agenda item request. The Board discussed the request. Board Member Hase moved to have a discussion about whether there would be a value to potentially adding a student consultation period. The motion died for lack of a second.

This Board Member request to agendize an item will not be added to a future agenda.

12. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:43 p.m. Board President Lando adjourned the meeting.

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