



PACIFIC GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: May 21, 2026



435 Hillcrest Ave.
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

Trustee(s) Present:

- President Jennifer McNary
- Clerk Beth Shammass
- Trustee Dr. Elliott Hazen (remotely)
- Trustee Mike Wachs
- Trustee Laura Ottmar

Administration Present:

- Superintendent Dr. Linda Adamson
- Assistant Superintendent Josh Jorn

Board Recorder:

- Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
Carey O'Sullivan

Student Representative(s) Present:

- Jasmine Booker
- Paige Houston
- Paige Silveira
- Sulachhya Gurung

School Site Acronyms:

DO - District Office
FGE - Forest Grove Elementary School
RHD - Robert H. Down Elementary School
PGMS - Pacific Grove Middle School
PGHS - Pacific Grove High School
PGCHS - Pacific Grove Community High School
PGAE - Pacific Grove Adult Education
PGUSD - Pacific Grove Unified School District

Next Board Meeting Date(s):

June 4, 2026 – *Regular*
June 18, 2026 – *Special*

[Full YouTube Video of Meeting](#)

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- A. Call to Order - *President McNary 5:30 PM*
- B. Land Acknowledgement
- C. Approve Remote Location due to Emergency Circumstance (Childcare) for Trustee Hazen
 - Move: Trustee Ottmar ▾ Second: Trustee Wachs ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried
- D. Roll Call
 - President McNary - *Present*
 - Clerk Shammass - *Present*
 - Trustee Hazen - *Present (remote)*
 - Trustee Ottmar - *Present*
 - Trustee Wachs - *Present*
- E. Adoption of Agenda
 - Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *None*
 - Move: Clerk Shammass ▾ Second: President McNary ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried

II. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Identify Closed Session Topics:



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- a. Negotiations – Collective Bargaining Session planning and preparation with the CSEA for 2025-26 [Government Code § 3549.1, subdivision (d)]
 - b. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Leave/Complaint [Government Code § 54957, subdivision (b)]
 - c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)
 - OAH Case No. 2026030297
 - d. Superintendent Goals, Evaluation & Contract [Government Code § 54957]
- B. Public Comment on Closed Session Topics
C. Adjourn to Closed Session - 5:36 PM

III. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION - 6:42 PM

- A. Report Action Taken in Closed Session:
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 - i. *The Board gave direction, returned to Closed Session after the meeting adjourned to discuss the remainder of the Closed Session topics.*
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
C. [Student Board Member Recognition](#)

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Student Representative Comments
 - a. *None*
- B. Board Member Comments/Written Communications
 - a. *Board members shared written communications and their personal comments.*
- C. Superintendent Report
 - a. *Dr. Adamson gave a [presentation](#).*
- D. Safety Report
 - a. *Josh Jorn provided a safety report.*

V. INDIVIDUALS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- A. Community Members (Non-Agenda Items)
 - a. *One (1) online commenter and one (1) in person commenter.*
- B. PGUSD Staff Comments (Non-Agenda Items)
 - a. *None*



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VI. **CONSENT**

- A. Minutes of May 7, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
- B. Warrant Schedule
- C. Personnel Report
- D. SPSA - Robert H. Down Elementary School (2026-27)
- E. SPSA - Forest Grove Elementary School (2026-27)
- F. SPSA - Pacific Grove Middle School (2026-2027)
- G. SPSA - Pacific Grove High School (2026-2027)
- H. SPSA - Pacific Grove Community High School (2026-2027)
- I. Reserve Balance in Excess
- J. Contract with Eide Bailly for Audit Services
- K. Contract for Services with Jill Miller - Choreographer
- L. Contract for Services with Aquinos Birrierria
- M. Contract for Services with Peninsula Sports Inc. - 2026-27
- N. Contract for Services with Field of Dreams Designs - 2026-27
- O. Contract for Services with Monterey DJ John Upshaw - 2026-27
- P. Contract for Services with Valerie Rhoades - 2026-27
- Q. Contract for Services with GreyStep/Kev Group - 2026-27
- R. Contract for Services with Fernando Sanchez Landscaping - 2026-27
 - Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the consent agenda. Item J pulled by President McNary and moved to Action Item AA.*
 - Move: Trustee Hazen - Second: Trustee Wachs - Vote: 5-0, motion carried.

VII. **PUBLIC HEARING** (YouTube 44:32)

- A. Adopted Budget Public Hearing (Fiscal Year 2026-27)
 - Open Public Hearing: 7:21 PM Close Public Hearing: 7:36 PM
 - Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *Board discussed the item.*
- B. Pacific Grove Unified School District Local Control & Accountability Plan (LCAP)
 - Open Public Hearing: 7:40 PM Close Public Hearing: 7:51 PM
 - Public Comment: *one (1) commenter online.*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
- C. Public Hearing – Tentative Agreement with the Pacific Grove Teachers Association (PGTA) – Fiscal Year 2026-2027
 - Open Public Hearing: 7:56 PM Close Public Hearing: 7:59 PM
 - Public Comment: *one (1) in person comment.*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*

VIII. **ACTION/DISCUSSION** (YouTube 1:23:48)

- AA. Contract for Services with Eide Bailly
 - Public Comment: *Two (2) online commenters.*



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- Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the pulled Consent item - Contract with Eide Bailly.*
 - Move to approve a one year contract: President McNary ▾ Second: Trustee Wachs ▾ Vote: 2-3, motion did not carry.
 - Ayes: McNary, Wachs
 - Noes: Shammas, Ottmar, Hazen
 - Move to approve a 3 year contract as presented: Trustee Hazen ▾ Second: Trustee Ottmar ▾ Vote: 4-1, motion carried.
 - Noes: President McNary.
- A. Resolution No. 1200 - Proclaiming June 2026 as LGBTQ+ as Pride Month
- Public Comment: *One (1) online commenter.*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
 - Move: Trustee Wachs ▾ Second: Trustee Ottmar ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried.
- B. Measure D & A Citizen Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC)
- Public Comment: *One (1) online commenter.*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
 - Move: President McNary ▾ Second: Trustee Wachs ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried.
- C. PGUSD Transportation Plan for Home to School Transportation (HTS) and Reimbursement Expenditure Plan for 2026-27)
- Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
 - Move: Clerk Shammas ▾ Second: Trustee Wachs ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried.
- D. Professional Services Candidates Pool for On-Call Engineering Services
- Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
 - Move: Clerk Shammas ▾ Second: President McNary ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried.
- E. Resolution Number 1199 - Educational Protection Account (EPA) for 2026-27
- Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *None*
 - Move: Clerk Shammas ▾ Second: Trustee Hazen ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried.
- F. Tentative Agreement with the Pacific Grove Teachers Association (PGTA) – Fiscal Year 2026-2027
- Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *None*
 - Move: Trustee Hazen ▾ Second: Trustee Ottmar ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried.
- G. Proposed Board Meeting(s) Calendar
- Public Comment: *None*
 - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*



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- Move: Trustee Hazen ▾ Second: Trustee Ottmar ▾ Vote: 5-0, motion carried.

IX. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

A. Parcel Tax Survey Results - Presentation by Dale Scott

- Public Comment: *None*
- Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
- Direction: *Direction was given to proceed with the resolution.*

B. Measure B Schedule and Quick Start Summer Projects Update

- Public Comment: *None*
- Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
- Direction: *Information was received.*

C. CSBA Board Policy Updates – February 2026 – First Reading

- Public Comment: *None*
- Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
- Direction: *Direction was given to bring all of the CSBA updated policies to the June 4th meeting as consent items, with BP 5117 and BP 3100 as separate action items. BP 5131.8 and AR 3100 will be discussed further at the next Policy Committee meeting.*

D. Future Agenda Items

- Public Comment: *None*
- Board Discussion: *None*
- Direction: *N/A*

X. RETURNED TO CLOSED SESSION

XI. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

A. Report Action Taken in Closed Session:

- Negotiations – Collective Bargaining Session planning and preparation with the CSEA for 2025-26 [Government Code § 3549.1, subdivision (d)]
 - Information was received and direction was given.*
- Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Leave/Complaint [Government Code § 54957, subdivision (b)]
 - Information was received.*
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)
 - OAH Case No. 2026030297
 - Will be discussed at the next meeting.*

XII. ADJOURNMENT - 10:50 PM

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