



Regular Board of Education Meeting/Reunión ordinaria de la Junta de Educación
02/18/2026 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 and Via Live Stream on Zoom/Asistencia en Persona y Transmisión
en Zoom
Butte County Office of Education, Carmichael Building, 2491 Carmichael Drive, Ste. 300,
Chico, CA 95928

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance

Voting Members

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

Non-Voting Members

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:00 p.m. Board President Konkin called the Regular Board Meeting to order at the Butte County Office of Education, Carmichael Building, 2491 Carmichael Drive, Suite 300, Chico, and announced the Board was going into Closed Session.

A. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

There were no public comments on Closed Session items.

2. CLOSED SESSION

A. *Public Employee Performance Evaluation*

3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

A. Call to Order

At 6:01 p.m., Board President Konkin called the Regular Board Meeting to order and announced the Board had been in Closed Session.

B. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

Board President Konkin stated no actions were taken in Closed Session.

C. Flag Salute

Board President Konkin led the salute to the flag.

4. STUDENT REPORTS

Bidwell Junior High School Principal David McKay introduced Music Teacher Tanner Johns and the Pioneer Choir.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOGNITION

At 6:12 p.m. Bidwell Junior High School's Principal David McKay presented the Superintendent's Award to Dan Linville (Certificated staff) and Denise McKeon (Classified staff).

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

CSEA Chapter #110's President Kelley Serl and Vice President Holly Ponciano presented the CSEA member-to-member award recognition to Alejandro Zarate, CUSD Nutrition Services Purchaser.

Heather Hacking came forward and introduced the Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program. This year there are 22 international educators from 21 countries. The educators will be visiting Chico High, Pleasant Valley High and Chico Junior High Schools.

Board President Konkin asked for announcements from the Board. Board Vice President Olsen shared her appreciation for site administrators who welcomed her on the campus. Board Clerk Hase shared information regarding the Reading Pals training on reading theory.

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

At 6:25 p.m. Board President Konkin opened the floor to public comment. Five speakers spoke for a total of 15 minutes. Topics included reflections and opinions on the student-led walkout at Pleasant Valley High School.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

At 6:39 p.m. Board President Konkin asked if there were any clarifying questions for items on the Consent Calendar. Board Clerk Hase inquired into Agenda Item 8.C.1. - *Accounts Payable Warrants* (pg. 25 of 31) regarding the timing of the Verkada payments. Deputy Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger stated the cameras were approved in December, purchased in January, and paid for in February.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion made by: Gayle Olsen

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

A. GENERAL

1. The Board Approved the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on 1/21/26, Special Board Meeting on 2/4/26 and Special Board Meeting on 2/6/26

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. The Board Approved the Expulsion of Students with the Following IDs: 104530
2. The Board Approved the Chico Unified School District Monthly Enrollment Update
3. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Boys Tennis to Attend the California Tennis Classic in Fresno, CA from 3/5/26 - 3/7/26
4. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Sierra View Elementary School Fourth Grade Students to Go to Monterey, CA from 5/19/26-5/22/26
5. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High and Pleasant Valley High School Upward Bound Students to go to Sacramento State, UC Davis and UC Berkeley from 3/16/26 - 3/17/26
6. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Mock Trial Team to Attend a Competition in Oakland, CA from 3/20/26 - 3/22/26

7. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School AG Students to Attend the Annual State FFA Leadership Conference in Ontario, CA from 3/20/26 - 3/25/26
8. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Boys Tennis to Attend a Match in Rocklin, CA from 4/10/26-4/11/26
9. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Boys Golf to Attend the NSCIF Masters Championship in Lake Almanor, CA from 5/18/26 - 5/19/26
10. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Boys Golf to Attend the CIF NorCal Championship in Livermore, CA from 5/25/26 - 5/26/26
11. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Boys Golf to Attend the CIF Championship in San Gabriel, CA from 6/2/26 - 6/3/26
12. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Family and Consumer Sciences Students to Attend the FCCLA State Officer to Executive Council Meeting in Sacramento, CA from 3/4/26-3/6/26
13. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Varsity Boys Tennis to Attend the California Tennis Classic in Fresno, CA from 3/5/26 - 3/9/26
14. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Patient Care Pathways Students to Attend the Cal-HOSA State Leadership Conference in Ontario, CA from 3/25/26-3/29/26
15. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Industrial Technologies Students to Attend the Skills USA in Ontario, CA from 4/9/26-4/12/26
16. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Boys Golf Team to Attend the NSCIF Golf Championship in Chester, CA from 5/18/26-5/19/26
17. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Boys Golf Team to Attend the CIF NorCal Golf Championship in Livermore, CA from 5/25/26-5/26/26
18. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Boys Golf Team to Attend the CIF Golf Championship in San Gabriel, CA from 6/2/26-6/3/26
19. The Board Approved the New Course Proposal Request for High Schools, "Embedded Systems and Robotics"
20. The Board Approved the New Course Proposal Request for High Schools, "Horticulture 2"
21. The Board Approved the New Course Proposal Request for High Schools, "Marching Band"
22. The Board Approved the Course Name Change Request from "Life Drawing and Design" to "Life Drawing"
23. The Board Approved the Course Name Change Request from, "Art and Design" to "Intro to Visual Arts"
24. The Board Approved the Amended School Safety Plans
25. The Board Approved the Expanded Learning Opportunity Program (ELOP) Plan Correction

C. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. The Board Approved the Account Payable Warrants
2. The Board Approved the Contracts
3. The Board Approved the Charter Schools Measure K and C Projects Requests
4. The Board Approved the California Water Service Company Easement for at Inspire School of Arts and Sciences – Fremont Street
5. The Board Approved the Construction Projects- Skilled And Trained Workforce Requirement

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

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

3. The Board Approved the Updated California School Employees Association (CSEA) Salary Schedule to Ensure California Public Employee Retirement System (CalPERS) Compliance

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

A. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. **PUBLIC HEARING/INFORMATIONAL: Wildflower Open Charter School Charter Renewal Request (Presented by Heather Sufuentes, Director Elementary Education)**

At 6:42 p.m. Director Heather Sufuentes welcomed charter school staff and introduced the Wildflower Open Classroom Charter Renewal. Wildflower's Director Tom Hicks provided a brief presentation and program overview.

At 6:57 p.m. Board President Konkin opened the Public Hearing.

There were no public comments.

At 6:58 p.m. Board President Konkin closed the Public Hearing.

Board President Konkin stated this was informational only, and no action is required.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING/INFORMATIONAL: Blue Oak Charter School Charter Renewal Request (Presented by Heather Sufuentes, Director Elementary Education)**

At 6:58 p.m. Director Heather Sufuentes welcomed Blue Oak Charter School staff who provided a program overview and program testimonials.

At 7:13 p.m. Board President Konkin opened the Public Hearing.

Two speakers spoke in support of charter school programs but expressed concern for enrollment and access for students with disabilities. Questions regarding special education funding and support were asked. One speaker was a Blue Oak Charter School parent. One speaker was not a Blue Oak Charter School parent.

At 7:20 p.m. Board President Konkin closed the Public Hearing.

Board President Konkin stated this is informational only, and no action is required.

3. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: Discussion Regarding the Purchase and Contract for Riverside Technologies' Camera and Video Surveillance System Refresh Using Verkada Technology (Presented by John Vincent, Director of Information Technology)**

At 7:21 p.m. Director John Vincent came forward with an overview and update. During the February 4, 2026, Board Workshop, the Chico Unified School District Board of Trustees voted to discuss the purchase and contract for Riverside Technologies, Inc. Camera and Surveillance System refresh using Verkada Technology. The current system, storage requirements, infrastructure costs, maintenance, and some of the camera features were discussed. Deputy Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger answered questions related to funding and two representatives from Verkada were present to provide information. Principal David McKay provided insight into how the site administration uses cameras on campus.

At 8:03 p.m. Board President Konkin opened the floor to public comment. The Board extended the comment period to allow everyone an opportunity to speak. 15 people spoke for a total of 45 minutes to express concerns and considerations when implementing the new camera system and infrastructure. A motion was made to create a committee that consists of teachers, staff, students, Board Members and

maybe community members to discuss which features will be enabled as part of the program, and until the committee meets, the District will not push play on the cameras or deploy them.

Motion made by: Rebecca Konkin

Motion seconded by: Teisha Hase

Voting:

Rebecca Konkin - Vote Not Recorded

Gayle Olsen - Vote Not Recorded

Teisha Hase - Vote Not Recorded

Tom Lando - Vote Not Recorded

Eileen Robinson - Vote Not Recorded

The motion passed (5-0).

A motion was made to direct staff to draft a Board Policy that bans the use of facial recognition software and use in Chico Unified School District policies.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Rebecca Konkin

Vote:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

A motion was made to direct staff to identify the prices and options for bringing our data in-house instead of using outsourced (cloud-based) storage for the camera data.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Gayle Olsen

Vote:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

At 9:33 p.m. Board President Konkin stated the Board would take a brief break.

At 9:49 p.m. Board President Konkin called the meeting back to order.

4. **INFORMATIONAL: Mid-Year Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update (Presented by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)**
Assistant Superintendent Tina Keene stated all charter schools, school districts and county office of education are required to present a report on the annual update to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Budget Overview for Parents on or before February 28 of each year at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board or body of the Local Education Agency (LEA).

The Mid-Year Report must include the following: 1. All available mid-year outcome data related to metrics identified in the current year LCAP and 2. All available mid-year expenditure and implementation data on all actions identified in the current year's LCAP (*Education Code sections 47606.52, 52062, and 52058*). The 2025-2026 Projected Revenue for Chico Unified was \$206,768,768. The 2025-2026 Revised Revenue is \$220,491,878.

At 9:56 p.m. Board President Konkin opened the floor to public comment. One speaker spoke for three minutes and inquired into where information can be found regarding money spent to date.

Board President Konkin stated this is informational only, and no action is required.

B. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: Lease-Leaseback Agreement - Pleasant Valley High School Building D Fire Rebuild, Amendment No.1 (Presented by Maria Campos, Facilities Planner/Construction Supervisor)**

This item was tabled until the Wednesday, March 11, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

2. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: Bid Approval – District Restroom Projects – Package B (Presented by Maria Campos, Facilities Planner/Construction Supervisor)**

At 9:59 p.m. Facilities Planner/Construction Supervisor Maria Campos stated the Facilities Master Plan allocates \$14.3M toward the improvement of restroom facilities district-wide. The focus of these projects is to provide clean functional restrooms for students and staff while complying with Americans with Disabilities Act and All Gender Restroom Regulations. On January 15, 2025, the Board approved a list of future District Restroom Projects.

On January 21, 2026, staff issued a Notice to Bidders for District Restroom Projects – Package B (Chico Jr. High, Hooker Oak Elementary, and Marsh Jr. High School). On February 10, 2026, staff received sealed bids from the following four contractors: Pro-Ex Construction at \$1,950,000; Leen Construction at \$841,904; Molokai Electric LLC at \$918,000 and Synergy Builders at \$998,000. It is requested that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute a construction contract with the lowest responsive bidder, Leen Construction.

A motion was made to award the contract "Package B" to Leen Construction.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase

Motion seconded by: Gayle Olsen

Voting:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Chico High School Roofing Repairs (Presented by Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent Business Services)

At 10:01 p.m. Deputy Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger stated the 2023 Facilities Master Plan initially scheduled Chico High School building improvements for Phase 6 (2032). However, current site assessments indicate a need to prioritize these improvements. Roofing deficiencies have emerged that pose safety risks.

The cost of the repair work is estimated at \$2,000,000. CUSD would like to reallocate Fund 34, Measure C, funds currently being allotted to update the District Restrooms Project to cover the cost of this work. Any upcoming one-time funding sources will be used to reimburse the restroom project if available. This work will begin immediately. A recommendation was brought forward to authorize District Personnel to reallocate \$2,000,000 from Fund 34 (Measure C) — specifically from the District Restrooms Project — to fund immediate roofing repairs at Chico High School. This action accelerates the roofing project from Phase 6 (2032) to the current fiscal year, with the intent to reimburse the restroom projects should one-time funding sources become available. A motion was made to approve the money to take care of the Chico High School roofing project.

Motion made by: Eileen Robinson

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution 1715-26, Release/Non-Reelection of Temporary (including "Probationary 0") Certificated Employees (Presented by John Shepherd, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources)

At 10:03 p.m. Assistant Superintendent John Shepherd shared Education Code section 44954(b) requires that the governing board shall notify a temporary employee, in a position requiring certification qualifications, of the decision to release/nonreelect the employee from such a position for the next succeeding school year. This is done early, so there is time for the administration to hand-deliver the notice to employees. A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1715-26.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

D. BOARD

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Revised/Updated/New Policies (Presented by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)

At 10:07 p.m. Assistant Superintendent Tina Keene brought forward the new Board Policy (BP) 5141.5 - Mental Health. Board Vice President Olsen suggested new language to replace the paragraph on page three of the policy. The suggested replacement language is as follows: *"A student 12 years of age or older may consent to mental health treatment or counseling if the student, in the professional opinion of the attending mental health care provider, is mature enough to participate intelligently in the services. A health care provider shall obtain consent and involve the parent/guardian in the minor's treatment unless the health care provider deems and documents that making parent/guardian contact is detrimental to the safety and well-being of the student."*

A motion was made to replace the language of the paragraph below bullet nine on page three of Board Policy 5145.5 – *Mental Health* with the Board Member's suggested language.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

A motion was made to delete Board Policy (BP) 5145.13 - *Response to Immigration Enforcement*.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Vote:

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Gayle Olsen - Yes

Teisha Hase - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

Assistant Superintendent Tina Keene brought forward Board Policy (BP) 6162.7 - *Use of Technology in Instruction*. A recommendation was made to add the text, "Beginning in August 2026 ..." to the second sentence of the second to last paragraph on page 2 of the Board Policy. A recommendation was made to add the word, "interaction" in-between "physical activity" and "and digital citizenship" on the "Balance Required" bullet (2) on page one of the policy. So, it will read, "2. Balance Required: Technology should complement other educational activities that promote communication, physical activity, interaction, and digital citizenship."

A motion was made to approve Board Policy 6162.7 with the inclusion of the word "interaction" after the words "physical activity," and at the bottom of page two, add the words, "Beginning in August 2026 ..."

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

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

The motion passed (5-0).

- 2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: First Reading and Approval of New Board Policy (Presented by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)**
At 10:30 p.m. Assistant Superintendent Tina Keene shared this policy will be replacing the deleted Board Policy 5145.13 - *Response to Immigration Enforcement*. A motion was made to approve the new BP 1445 - *Response to Immigration Enforcement*.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase
Motion seconded by: Eileen Robinson

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

The motion passed (5-0).

10. RECESS

At 10:33 p.m. Board President Konkin called a short recess.

At 10:36 p.m. Board President Konkin called the Regular Board Meeting back to order.

11. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

There were none.

12. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST TO AGENDIZE ITEM

There were none.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:37 p.m. Board President Konkin adjourned the meeting.

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~~Board Clerk~~

Board Vice President



Superintendent