



PACIFIC GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: May 7, 2026



435 Hillcrest Ave.  
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

**Trustee(s) Present:**

- President Jennifer McNary
- Clerk Beth Shammas
- Trustee Dr. Elliott Hazen
- 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):**

May 21, 2026 – *Regular*  
June 4, 2026 – *Regular*  
June 18, 2026 – *Special*

[Full YouTube Video of Meeting](#)

**I. OPENING BUSINESS**

- A. [Call to Order](#) - 4:30 PM by *President McNary*
- B. Land Acknowledgement
- C. Roll Call
  - President McNary - *Present*
  - Clerk Shammas - *Present*
  - Trustee Hazen - *Present*
  - Trustee Ottmar - *Absent (not present during roll call, arrived for Adoption of Agenda)*
  - Trustee Wachs - *Present*
- D. Retiree Recognition Ceremony & Reception
  - Dr. Adamson shared a [presentation](#)
- E. [Adoption of Agenda](#) - *returned at 5:30 after Retiree Reception*
  - Public Comment: none
  - Board Discussion: no discussion
  - Move: **Trustee Hazen** - Second: **Clerk Shammas** - Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ▾

**II. CLOSED SESSION**



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- A. Identify Closed Session Topics:
- 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. 2026020180
  - d. Superintendent End of Year Goals Review
- B. Public Comment on Closed Session Topics - *none*
- C. Adjourn to Closed Session - 5:34 PM

III. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION - 6:30 PM**

- A. Report Action taken in Closed Session:
- a. Negotiations – Collective Bargaining Session planning and preparation with the CSEA for 2025-26 [Government Code § 3549.1, subdivision (d)]
    - i. *Information received and direction was given.*
  - b. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Leave/Complaint [Government Code § 54957, subdivision (b)]
    - i. *Information received*
  - c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)
    - i. *OAH Case No. 2026020180 - The Board voted to approve the settlement agreement 5-0, the vote was unanimous.*
  - d. Superintendent End of Year Goals Review
    - i. *The Board returned to closed session after the meeting to finish this discussion.*
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. **Presentation - ACSA Administrator Awards Recognition**
- a. *Dr. Adamson gave a presentation*

IV. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Student Representative Comments
- a. *Student Representative Sulachhya Gurung gave a presentation.*
- B. Board Member Comments/Written Communications
- a. *The Board shared written comments sent to them from the community and provided their own comments.*
- C. **Superintendent Report**
- D. Safety Report

V. **INDIVIDUALS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

- A. Community Members (Non-Agenda Items)
- a. *One (1) online comment*



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- B. PGUSD Staff Comments (Non-Agenda Items)  
a. none

VI. **CONSENT**

- A. Minutes of April 9, 2026 Regular Board Meeting  
B. Minutes of April 23, 2026 Special Board Meeting  
C. Cash Receipts Report #11  
D. Acceptance of Donations  
E. Revolving Cash Report #6  
F. Personnel Report  
G. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 229 & Pacific Grove Unified School District (PGUSD) – 2026-2027 Classified Work Year Calendar and Paid Days Off  
H. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - Coastline Academy for Driver Education Services  
I. Contract for Services - Chartwell Teaching Institute  
J. Contract for Services - Fiesta Face Paint  
K. Contract for Services - MTH DJ & Photo Booth  
L. Contract for Services - Monterey Bay Equestrian Center  
M. Contract for Services - My Museum  
N. Contract for Services - Monterey Mini Cow Company, LLC
  - Public Comment: none
  - Board Discussion: none
  - Student Representative Vote: Aye
  - Move: **Trustee Hazen** - Second: **Trustee Ottmar** - Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ▾

VII. **ACTION/DISCUSSION**

- A. Resolution Number 1188 - Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of 2026 General Obligation Refunding Bonds
  - Public Comment: none
  - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
  - Student Representative Vote: Aye
  - Move: **Clerk Shammis** - Second: **Trustee Hazen** - Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ▾
- B. Resolution Number 1189 - Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2024 (Measure B), Series A
  - Public Comment: none
  - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
  - Student Representative Vote: Aye
  - Move: **Trustee Hazen** - Second: **Trustee Wachs** - Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ▾



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- C. Resolution Number 1194 - Final Certificated Layoff
- Public Comment: *none*
  - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
  - Student Trustee Vote: *Aye*
  - Move: **Clerk Shammas** ✓ Second: **Trustee Wachs** ✓ Vote:  
4 – 1 Motion CARRIED ✓, with Trustee Ottmar dissenting.
- D. Resolution Number 1197 - Classified School Employee Week
- Public Comment: *none*
  - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
  - Student Trustee Vote: *Aye*
  - Move: **Trustee Wachs** ✓ Second: **Trustee Hazen** ✓ Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ✓
- E. Resolution Number 1196 - California Day of the Teacher & Teacher Appreciation Week
- Public Comment: *none*
  - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
  - Student Representative Vote: *Aye*
  - Move: **Trustee Ottmar** ✓ Second: **Trustee Hazen** ✓ Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ✓
- F. Resolution Number 1198 - Regarding Designation of a Specific Brand or Trade Name in Invitations to Bid and Requests for Proposal (Public Contract Code §3400)
- Public Comment: *none*
  - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed.*
  - Student Representative Vote: *Aye*
  - Move: **Clerk Shammas** ✓ Second: **Trustee Wachs** ✓ Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ✓
- G. Contract for Services - Fresh Start Painting
- Public Comment: *none*
  - Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
  - Student Representative Vote: *Aye*
  - Move: **Trustee Wachs** ✓ Second: **Trustee Hazen** ✓ Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ✓
- H. Contract for Services - CMA Painting
- Public Comment: *none*
  - Board Discussion: *none*
  - Student Representative Vote: *Aye*
  - Move: **President McNary** ✓ Second: **Clerk Shammas** ✓ Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED ✓
- I. Contract for Services - Sentry Alarm
- Public Comment: *none*
  - Board Discussion: *none*
  - Student Representative Vote: *Aye*



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J. Elementary Mental Health Therapist - Itinerant Job Description

- Public Comment: *none*
- Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
- Student Representative Vote: *Aye*
- Move: **Trustee Hazen** - Second: **Trustee Ottmar** - Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED -

K. Proposed Board Meeting(s) Calendar

- Public Comment: *none*
- Board Discussion: *none*
- *Student Representative Vote: Aye*
- Move: **Clerk Shammass** - Second: **President McNary** - Vote:  
5 – 0 Motion CARRIED -

VIII. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

A. PGUSD Draft Educational Technology Plan for 2026-2029 - Binder

- Public Comment:
  - *3 in-person comments*
  - *1 online comment*
- Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item, and voted to extend the meeting to 11:00 PM, 5-0.*
- Direction: *Direction was given for more information to be brought back to the June 4, 2026 Board meeting.*

B. Board Requested Fiscal Support Review

- Public Comment: *none*
- Board Discussion: *The Board discussed the item.*
- Direction: *No direction given.*

C. Future Agenda Items

- Public Comment: *none*
- Board Discussion: *none*
- Direction: *No direction given.*

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

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