

# Board Cover Sheet

## Action/Discussion

- Credibility & Communication
- Student Learning & Achievement
- Health & Safety of Students & Schools
- Fiscal Solvency, Accountability & Integrity

## Meeting Date

Apr 9, 2026

## Presenter(s)

Dr. Linda Adamson  
Superintendent

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## Item

Resolution No. 1185 – 2026 School Board Trustee Election (Monterey County Elections Department)

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## Recommendation

The District Administration recommends that the Board review and adopt Resolution Number 1185 to call for a regular biennial election on November 3, 2026, for trustee areas 1, 3, and 5, and request the Monterey County Elections Department to consolidate and conduct the election.

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## Background

The Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE) has formally notified the District that 2026 is a School Board Trustee election year. In accordance with Education Code sections 5000 and 5304, the Board of Education is authorized to order a regular biennial election to fill seats for terms that are expiring. MCOE guidelines require that the District agendize a resolution between March and May to establish election specifications and officially request the consolidation of the local trustee election with the statewide general election.

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## Information

Resolution No. 1185 serves to call for the election to be held on November 3, 2026, specifically for Trustee Areas 1, 3, and 5. This resolution includes a formal request to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to consolidate the election and authorizes the Monterey County Elections Department to conduct all necessary services, for which the District will reimburse all actual costs. Upon approval by the Board, the District will submit the resolution along with the Statement of Election Facts and the current trustee area boundary map to MCOE to ensure all materials are received by the County Elections Department and the Board of Supervisors before the required deadlines.

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## Fiscal Impact

\$60,000 **2026/27** **(01) General Fund** Program/Grant: Board of Education



## **PACIFIC GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1185**

#### **Resolution Ordering the November 3, 2026 Trustee Election and Requesting Consolidation With the General Election**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Elections Code section 10002, the governing body of any city or district may by resolution request the Board of Supervisors of the county to permit the county elections official to render specified services to the city or district relating to the conduct of an election; and

**WHEREAS**, the resolution of the governing body of the city or district shall specify the services requested; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Elections Code section 10002, the city or district shall reimburse the county in full for the services performed upon presentation of a bill to the city or district; and

**WHEREAS**, Education Code section 5000 calls for a regular biennial election for the purpose of electing members of the Pacific Grove Unified School District's ("District") Board of Education ("Board"); and

**WHEREAS**, Education Code section 5340, et seq., and Elections Code section 10400, et seq., allow for consolidation of elections scheduled to be held on the same day in the same territory; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2022, the Monterey County Committee on School District Organization approved the Board's transition to by-trustee area elections, where each trustee must reside within the designated trustee area boundary and is elected only by the voters in that trustee area; and

**WHEREAS**, Trustees are elected in even-numbered years and serve staggered, four-year terms, such that the next election for trustee areas 1, 3, and 5 is scheduled for November 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, Education Code section 5304 authorizes the Board to order an election of Trustees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Board of Education of the Pacific Grove Unified School District hereby orders an election to be held on November 3, 2026,



for the purpose of electing three members to the Board of Education to fill the vacancies in Trustee Areas 1, 3, and 5 for full four-year terms.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education requests the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to order the consolidation of this election with the statewide general election to be held on November 3, 2026.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education requests the Monterey County Elections Department to perform the following services:

- Preparation, printing, and mailing of official ballots and voter information guides.
- Establishment of precincts, election officers, and voting centers.
- Processing and counting of ballots.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the District agrees to reimburse the County for all actual costs associated with conducting this election.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Governing Board of the Pacific Grove Unified School District on this 9th day of April, 2026, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

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Jennifer McNary, President

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Beth Shammas, Clerk

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Dr. Linda Adamson, Superintendent/Secretary

# STATEMENT OF ELECTION FACTS

FULL LEGAL NAME OF DISTRICT AS IT SHOULD APPEAR ON ALL ELECTION DOCUMENTS:

MAIL SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ WEBSITE: \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

NAME	DISTRICT WARD OR TRUSTEE <small>(If applicable)</small>	<u>Member was elected</u> by: 1) ELECTED/AIL*  <u>OR</u> 2) APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANY	YEAR Term ends	Full-term = 4yrs  <u>OR</u> Short-term = 2yrs	IF THE MEMBER WAS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD TO FILL A VACANCY, <u>WHO DID</u> <u>THIS MEMBER</u> <u>REPLACE?</u>

\*AIL= Appointed-in-lieu of Election (filed for office and didn't go on the ballot)

Name of the Presiding Officer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Name of the Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

### Check the box that applies to your district:

- The District boundaries have changed since the last election. Enclosed is a new map to reflect those changes.
- I declare that there have been no boundary changes since the \_\_\_\_\_ election.  
Election Date

The limitation on the number of words in a candidate statement will be:  200 words  400 words

The entity charged for the candidate statement sent to each voter will be the:  District  Candidate

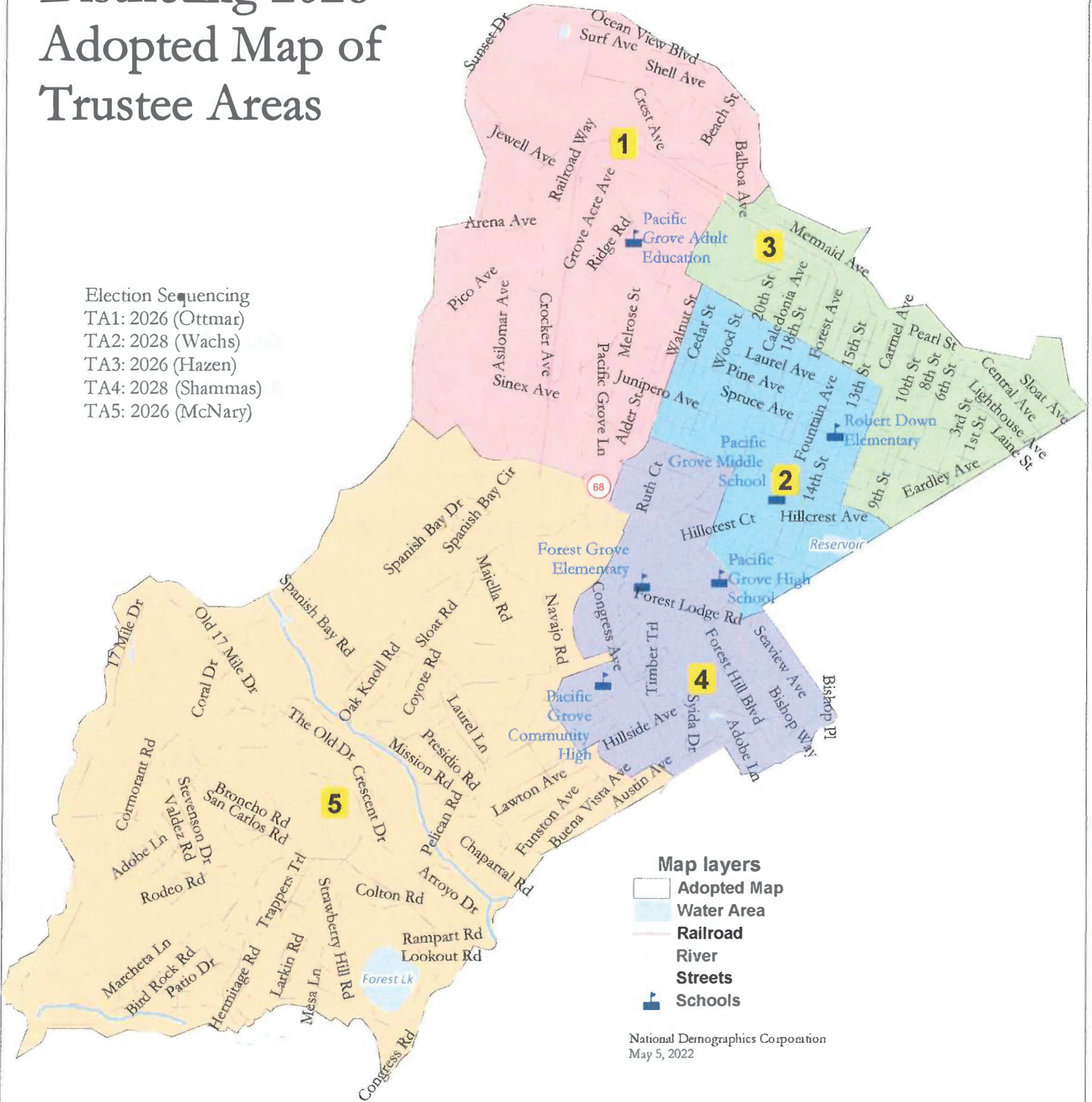
In case of a tie vote, the winner will be determined by:  Lot  Runoff election

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 Signature of Presiding Officer

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 Date

# Pacific Grove USD Districting 2026 Adopted Map of Trustee Areas

Election Sequencing  
 TA1: 2026 (Ottmar)  
 TA2: 2028 (Wachs)  
 TA3: 2026 (Hazen)  
 TA4: 2028 (Shammas)  
 TA5: 2026 (McNary)



**Map layers**  
 Adopted Map  
 Water Area  
 Railroad  
 River  
 Streets  
 Schools

National Demographics Corporation  
 May 5, 2022