



Annual Organizational Meeting
12/18/2025 - 04:45 PM
Woodland Joint Unified School District
District Office Board Room
435 6th Street, Woodland, CA 95695

MEETING MINUTES

Mission Statement

Woodland Joint Unified School District's mission is to prepare and empower all students for a future of endless possibilities.



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Attendance

Voting Members

Deborah Bautista Zavala, President

Noel Rodriguez, Vice President

Laura Brubaker, Clerk

Bibiana Garcia, Board Member

Kandice Richardson Fowler, Board Member

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica, Board Member

Rogelio Villagrana, Board Member

A. CALL TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION - 4:45 P.M.

The Board President called the meeting to order in Open Session at 4:45 p.m. in the Board Room.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA - ACTION

The Board requested to move section I.3. Governance Support before item I.1. Part I: Election of the Board Officers and Subcommittee Appointments for 2026. Motion was made to approve the agenda as modified at the meeting.

Motion made by: Noel Rodriguez

Motion seconded by: Bibiana Garcia

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes
Noel Rodriguez - Yes
Laura Brubaker - Yes
Bibiana Garcia - Yes
Kandice Richardson Fowler - Not Present
Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes
Rogelio Villagrana - Not Present

Motion Passed

C. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA (Please fill out the Public Participation Form): Members of the public are encouraged to attend Board meetings and to address the Board concerning any item on the Closed Session Agenda. Public comments are welcomed and encouraged in all languages. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes each to address the Board on Closed Session Agenda items. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. Board members may ask for clarification, refer concerns to staff, and/or request that an item be placed on a future agenda.

No one came forward when the Board President requested comments on the Closed Session agenda items.

D. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

The Board recessed at 4:48 p.m. and reconvened in Closed Session at 4:48 p.m. Closed Session ended at 5:00 p.m.

1. Public Employee Appointment/Employment, Pursuant to Government Code 54957:

a. Director, Technology Services

E. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

The Board President reconvened the meeting in Open Session at 5:02 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Trustee Rodriguez-Mojica delivered the Land Acknowledgment Statement.

3. Equity Statement

Trustee Rodriguez delivered the Equity Statement.

4. Board of Trustees' Agreements

Trustee Brubaker delivered the Board of Trustees' Agreements.

5. BOARD ACTION - Approve the Appointment/Employment of the Following Positions:

a. Director, Technology Services

Motion was made for the approval of the appointment of Andy Xiong for the position of Director of the Technology Services Department.

Motion made by: Bibiana Garcia

Motion seconded by: Rogelio Villagrana

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

F. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR SECTION G. CONSENT AGENDA

Pamlea Goettsch, Colsen Martin, Caden Shieb, Jonathan Angel, Ben Lillse, Alexis Goettsch, Dominic Vladimir Del Toro Cruz, An Nguyen, German Barajas, Kyle Pease shared concerns with removing 7th period from the High School schedules.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by: Kandice Richardson Fowler

Motion seconded by: Noel Rodriguez

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

1. Business Services

a. Approve Purchases of Items/Services in Excess of \$15,000: List 10-26

b. Approve Budget Development Calendar for 2026-27

2. Human Resources

a. Approve Certificated Personnel Report, 26-11

b. Approve Classified Personnel Report, 26-11

3. Board Meeting Minutes:

a. Approve December 11, 2025 - Regular Board Meeting

H. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA (Please fill out the Public Participation Form):
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Becca Bernard shared the importance of the leadership that is chosen at WJUSD.

I. BOARD ACTION - ANNUAL BOARD ORGANIZATION

1. PART I: ELECTION OF THE BOARD OFFICERS AND SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2026 (as individual items by action or appointment)

a. Election of Board President for 2026

Motion was made to appoint Trustee Noel Rodriguez for President.

Motion made by: Deborah Bautista Zavala

Motion seconded by: Bibiana Garcia

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

b. Election of Board Vice President for 2026

Motion was made to nominate Trustee Laura Brubaker for Vice President.

Motion made by: Deborah Bautista Zavala

Motion seconded by: Kandice Richardson Fowler

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

c. Election of Board Clerk for 2026

Trustees Bibiana Garica and Kandice Richardson Fowler expressed interest in the role of the Board Clerk at the December 11, 2025 Regular Board Meeting. Trustee Bibiana Garcia was appointed to serve as the 2026 Board Clerk. The roll call vote was as follows: 4 in support of Trustee Garcia – Trustees Villagrana, Rodriguez-Mojica, Garcia, and Rodriguez, 2 in support of Trustee Richardson Fowler – Trustees Richardson Fowler and Brubaker, and 1 abstention – Trustee Bautista Zavala.

d. Appointment of Superintendent as the Official Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Motion was made to appoint the Superintendent as the Official Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

Motion made by: Noel Rodriguez

Motion seconded by: Bibiana Garcia

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

e. Appointment of Board Representatives to the Following Subcommittees:

I. District Finance Committee

Trustees Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica, Rogelio Villagrana, and Laura Brubaker volunteered to be the Board representatives for the District Finance Committee.

II. Yolo County School Boards Association (one representative, and one alternate)

Trustees Rogelio Villagrana and Kandice Richardson Fowler expressed interest in the role of the Board representatives for the Yolo County School Boards Association at the December 11, 2025 Regular Board Meeting. Trustee Rogelio Villagrana was selected to be the Board representative for the Yolo County School Boards Association. The roll call vote was as follows: 4 in support of Trustee Villagrana – Trustees Villagrana, Rodriguez-Mojica, Garcia, and Rodriguez, 3 in support of Trustee Richardson Fowler – Trustees Richardson Fowler, Brubaker, and Bautista Zavala. Trustee Bibiana Garcia volunteered to be the alternate representative.

III. District Nutrition and Wellness Committee

Trustee Laura Brubaker volunteered to be the Board representative for the District Nutrition and Wellness Committee.

IV. Collaborative for Woodland Youth (CWY)

Trustees Deborah Bautista Zavala, Noel Rodriguez, and Laura Brubaker volunteered to be the Board representatives for the Collaborative for Woodland Youth (CWY).

V. District Safety Committee

Trustees Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica and Bibiana Garcia volunteered to be the Board representatives for the District Safety Subcommittee.

VI. Environmental Stewardship Committee

Motion was made to eliminate the Environmental Stewardship Committee.

Motion made by: Rogelio Villagrana

Motion seconded by: Bibiana Garcia

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Abstain

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

VII. Ethnic Studies Board Committee

Trustees Bibiana Garcia, Kandice Richardson Fowler, and Noel Rodriguez volunteered to be the Board representatives for the Ethnic Studies Board Committee. This committee will be eliminated at the end of the academic year (June 30, 2026).

Motion made by: Rogelio Villagrana

Motion seconded by: Noel Rodriguez

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes
Laura Brubaker - Yes
Bibiana Garcia - Yes
Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes
Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes
Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

2. PART II: BUSINESS-RELATED BOARD ORGANIZATION

a. Action: Approve Board Governance Calendar

Motion was made to approve the Board Governance Calendar.

Motion made by: Noel Rodriguez
Motion seconded by: Laura Brubaker
Voting:
Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes
Noel Rodriguez - Yes
Laura Brubaker - Yes
Bibiana Garcia - Yes
Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes
Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes
Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

b. Action: Approve Resolution 23-26: Authorizing Certain Employees to Sign on Behalf of the District

Motion was made to approve Resolution 23-26: Authorizing Certain Employees to Sign on Behalf of the District.

Motion made by: Noel Rodriguez
Motion seconded by: Bibiana Garcia
Voting:
Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes
Noel Rodriguez - Yes
Laura Brubaker - Yes
Bibiana Garcia - Yes
Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes
Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes
Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

3. GOVERNANCE SUPPORT

a. Action: Approve Revised Board Bylaw 9121: President

Motion was made to approve the revised Board Bylaw 9121: President.

Motion made by: Noel Rodriguez

Motion seconded by: Laura Brubaker

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

b. Action: Approve New Board Bylaw 9121.11: ^Vice President

Motion was made to approve the revised New Board Bylaw 9121.11: ^Vice President.

Motion made by: Noel Rodriguez

Motion seconded by: Bibiana Garcia

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

c. Action: Approve Revised Board Bylaw 9123: Clerk

Motion was made to approve the revised Board Bylaw 9123: Clerk.

Motion made by: Noel Rodriguez

Motion seconded by: Laura Brubaker

Voting:

Deborah Bautista Zavala - Yes

Noel Rodriguez - Yes

Laura Brubaker - Yes

Bibiana Garcia - Yes

Kandice Richardson Fowler - Yes

Claudia Rodriguez-Mojica - Yes

Rogelio Villagrana - Yes

Motion Passed

J. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (Please fill out the Public Participation

Form): Members of the public are encouraged to attend Board meetings and to address the Board concerning any item not on the agenda within the Board's jurisdiction. Public comments are welcomed and encouraged in all languages. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes each to address the Board on non-agenda items. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. This is a comment period only, and the law does not allow the Board of Trustees to take action on any item not explicitly posted on the agenda in advance. However, Board members may ask for clarification, refer concerns to staff, and/or request that an item be placed on a future agenda.

There were no public comments for items not on the agenda.

K. INFORMATION: REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (requires request form completed)

L. INFORMATION: CLOSING COMMENTS

M. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Thursday, January 15, 2026 - Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. for Open Session

N. ADJOURNMENT

The Board Vice President adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Board President

Board Clerk