

**PACIFIC GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: MAY 15, 2025**  
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**District Office**  
**435 Hillcrest Avenue**  
**Pacific Grove, CA 93950**

**Mission Statement**

Pacific Grove Unified School District, in partnership with the community and with a focus on equity, will challenge every student by providing a quality instructional program in a positive, safe, and stimulating environment. The District will meet the diverse needs of all students by ensuring exceptional learning opportunities to acquire and apply the knowledge and skills that develop the insight and character necessary for a productive and rewarding life.

**I. OPENING BUSINESS**

A. Call to Order – 4:30 PM by *President Dr. Elliott Hazen*

B. Land Acknowledgement

Good evening; As we begin this meeting, it's important to pay respect to and acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the **Ohlone, Costanoan & Esselen** people and additionally pay respect to elders both past and present.

C. Roll Call

**Trustee(s) Present:** President Dr. Elliott Hazen (EH)

Clerk Jennifer McNary (JM)

Trustee Beth Shammas (BS)

Trustee Mike Wachs (MW)

**Trustee(s) Virtual at Alternate Location:** Trustee Laura Ottmar (LO)

**Administration Present:** Superintendent Dr. Linda Adamson (LA)

Assistant Superintendent Joshua Jorn (JJ)

**Board Recorder:** Lucero Villegas

**School Site Acronyms:** District Office (DO)

Forest Grove Elementary School (FGE)

Robert H. Down Elementary School (RHD)

Pacific Grove Middle School (PGMS)

Pacific Grove High School (PGHS)

Pacific Grove Community High School (PGCHS)

Pacific Grove Adult Education (PGAE)

D. Retiree Recognition Ceremony & Reception

E. Adoption of Agenda

- Public Comment:

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- N/A
- Board Discussion:
  - N/A
- Move: **JM** Second: **EH** Vote: **4 – 0 Motion CARRIED** (*Trustee Ottmar Absent*)

**II. CLOSED SESSION**

➤ [YouTube 20:27](#)

A. Identify Closed Session Topics:

The Board of Education will meet in Closed Session to consider matters appropriate for Closed Session in accordance with Education and Government Code.

1. Negotiations – Collective Bargaining Session planning and preparation with the PGTA for 2024-2025 [Government Code § 3549.1 (d)] Executive session between the public school employer and its designated representatives, Buck Roggeman and Dr. Linda Adamson, for the purpose of giving direction and updates.
2. Negotiations – Collective Bargaining Session planning and preparation with the CSEA for 2024-2025 [Government Code § 3549.1 (d)] Executive session between the public school employer and its designated representatives, Buck Roggeman and Dr. Linda Adamson, for the purpose of giving direction and updates.
3. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Leave/Complaint [Government Code § 54957]
4. Superintendent Goals, Evaluation & Contract [Government Code § 54957]

B. Public Comment on Closed Session Topics

- a. N/A

C. Adjourn to Closed Session

**III. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

➤ [YouTube 21:07](#)

A. [Report Action Taken in Closed Session:](#)

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  - a. *No Updates*
2. Negotiations – Collective Bargaining Session planning and preparation with the CSEA for 2024-2025 [Government Code § 3549.1 (d)] Executive session between

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- a. *No Updates*
3. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Leave/Complaint [Government Code § 54957 subdivision(b)]
  - a. *Information received*
  - b. *Information received & Board voted 5 – 0 to APPROVE classified employee resignation*
4. Superintendent Goals, Evaluation & Contract [Government Code § 54957]
  - a. *Information received & direction given*

B. [Pledge of Allegiance](#)

C. [Pacific Grove High School – Poetry Performance – Ms. Jessica Grogan](#)

D. [Pacific Grove High School – Mock Trial Presentation – Ms. Jenna Hall](#)

**IV. [COMMUNICATIONS](#)**

➤ [YouTube 40:54](#)

A. [Student Representative Comments](#)

B. [Board Member Comments/Written Communications](#)

C. [Superintendent Report](#)

D. [Safety Report](#)

**V. [INDIVIDUALS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD](#)**

➤ [YouTube 1:00:46](#)

*Public comment on any item of interest to the public that is within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard. The Board will also take public comment on each specific action item prior to Board action on each item. Any individual wishing to comment on a specific item on the current agenda are kindly asked to wait until that item is being discussed. The Board will allow a reasonable amount of time for public comment on each agenda item not to exceed 3 minutes per speaker and no more than 20 minutes per agenda item, pursuant to Board Policy 9323. Speakers will be called sequentially until there is no speaker coming forward on the agenda item or the amount of time allocated for the agenda item has elapsed, whichever comes first. This meeting of the Board of Education is a business meeting of the Board, conducted in public. Please note that the Brown Act limits the Board's ability to respond to public comment. The Board may choose to direct items to the Administration for action or place an item on a future agenda.*

*A reminder of our shared commitment to fostering a safe, respectful, and inclusive space – both here in the boardroom and beyond. To support this environment, we ask that attendees refrain from applause, finger clicking, or any form of acknowledgment in response to a speaker's viewpoint. This ensures all individuals feel comfortable sharing their perspectives without fear of judgment or retaliation – during the meeting and in online spaces. Our core values – Safety, Belonging, and Prosperity – guide all that we do, including how we engage as a community. Thank you for helping us create a space where all voices are respected.*

- A. Community Members (Non-Agenda Items)
  - a. *One (1) comment received in person*

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- b. One (1) comment received virtually*
  - B. PGUSD Staff Comments (Non-Agenda Items)**
    - a. One (1) comment received in person*

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

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*Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and/or may have been discussed at a previous Board meeting. **There is no discussion of these items prior to the Board vote unless a member of the Board requests specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Agenda.** Each item on the Consent Agenda approved by the Board of Trustees shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.*

- A. Minutes of April 22, 2025 Special Board Meeting
  - B. Minutes of May 1, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
  - C. Cash Receipts Report #13
  - D. Acceptance of Donations
  - E. Out of County/Overnight Activities
  - F. SPSA – Robert H. Down Elementary School (2025-26 SY)
  - G. SPSA – Forest Grove Elementary School (2025-26 SY)
  - H. SPSA – Pacific Grove Middle School (2025-26 SY)
  - I. SPSA – Pacific Grove High School (2025-26 SY)
  - J. SPSA – Pacific Grove Community High School (2025-26 SY)
  - K. PGHS – Contract for Services with Mary Hooper
  - L. PGHS – Contract for Services with Kenji Penniman
  - M. MOU – Memorandum of Understanding with San Jose State University (SJSU)
  - N. Nutrition Services Equipment Surplus – PGUSD
- Public Comment:
    - *N/A*
  - Board Discussion:
    - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
  - **Move: BS Second: MW Vote: 4 – 0 Motion CARRIED**

**VII. PUBLIC HEARING**

➤ [YouTube 1:14:16](#)

- i. [Adopted Budget Public Hearing \(FY 2025-26\)](#)

**Open Public Hearing: 8:09 PM    Close Public Hearing: 8:39 PM**

- Public Comment:
  - *Five (5) comments received in person*
  - *Two (2) comments received virtually*

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- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- ii. [Pacific Grove Unified School District Local Control & Accountability Plan \(LCAP\)](#) – *Item i. presented after Action Item A*

**Open Public Hearing: 10:04 PM    Close Public Hearing: 10:21 PM**

- Public Comment:
  - *One (1) comment received virtually*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*

**VIII. [ACTION/DISCUSSION](#)**

➤ [YouTube 2:59:48](#)

A. [Adoption of Curriculum](#) – *Item A presented after Item C*

- Public Comment:
  - *One (1) comment received virtually*
  - *One (1) comment received in person*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Move: EH Second: JM Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

B. [Adoption – Resolution No. 1157 – LGBTQ+ Pride Month \(June 2025\)](#)

- Public Comment:
  - *Two (2) comments received in person*
  - *Two (2) comments received virtually*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Move: JM Second: LO Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

C. [Adoption – Resolution No. 1159 – School Principals' Day \(May 1, 2025\)](#)

- Public Comment:
  - *N/A*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Move: JM Second: EH Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**

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- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

❖ **Extend Board Meeting to 12:30 AM**

- **Move: EH Second: MW Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

D. [UPK Program Offerings & Review Board Policy 6170.1 – Transitional Kindergarten](#)

- Public Comment:
  - *Four (4) comments received in person*
  - *One (1) comment received virtually*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Move: EH Second: BS Vote: 4 – 1 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Nay**

E. [Contract for Services with McDonnell Roofing, Inc. – Project MD-025 – RHD](#)

- Public Comment:
  - *One (1) comment received in person*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Move: MW Second: JM Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

F. [Contract for Services with Gourley Construction – Project MD-050 – RHD](#)

- Public Comment:
  - *N/A*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Move: MW Second: BS Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

G. [Contract for Services with Miracle Play Systems, Inc. – Project MD-051 – FGE](#)

- Public Comment:
  - *N/A*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Move: JM Second: BS Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

H. [Contract for Services with Ausonio Inc. – Project MD-054 – PGMS](#)

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- Public Comment:
  - N/A
- Board Discussion:
  - N/A
- **Move: EH Second: JM Vote: 4 – 1 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Nay**

I. [Adoption – Resolution No. 1158 – Education Protection Account \(EPA\) \(2025-26\)](#)

- Public Comment:
  - N/A
- Board Discussion:
  - N/A
- **Move: BS Second: JM Vote: 5 – 0 Motion CARRIED**
- **EH: Aye   JM: Aye   BS: Aye   MW: Aye   LO: Aye**

- ***Trustee Ottmar -> Signed Off @ 11:17 PM***

J. [Proposed Board Calendar](#)

- Public Comment:
  - N/A
- Board Discussion:
  - N/A
- **Move: N/A Second: N/A Vote: N/A**

IX. [INFORMATION/DISCUSSION](#)

➤ [YouTube 5:35:00](#)

A. [City of Pacific Grove – School Resource Officer \(SRO\) Update](#)

- Public Comment:
  - N/A
- Board Discussion:
  - N/A
- **Direction: Item A Moved to June 5, 2025 Board Meeting.**

B. [CSBA Board Policy Updates – March 2025 – First Reading](#)

- Public Comment:
  - N/A
- Board Discussion:

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- *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Direction: Review BP/AR 5131.6 for Counseling Program.**

❖ ***Returned to Closed Session***

C. [Future Agenda Items](#)

- Public Comment:
  - *N/A*
- Board Discussion:
  - *Trustee(s) discussed item(s)*
- **Direction: Review Future Agenda Items.**

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned – 12:25 AM

Next regular Board meeting: June 5, 2025

Next special Board meeting: June 26, 2025

Approved and submitted:



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Superintendent Dr. Linda Adamson  
Secretary to the Board