

VALLEY HOME JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES

Thursday – March 19, 2026 – 5:00pm

Via Zoom: <https://stancoe-org.zoom.us/j/81259874449#success>

I. CALL TO ORDER - 5:00 PM / Establishment of Quorum

The regular meeting of the Valley Home Joint School District Governing Board is called to order by Megan Kistler at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2026, online via zoom: <https://stancoe-org.zoom.us/j/81259874449#success>

Roll Call

Board Members Present: ___ P___ Megan Kistler, President
 ___ P___ Brandon Longstreth, Clerk
 ___ P___ Michael Hofmann, Member
 ___ P___ Chris Hempleman, Member
 ___ A___ Leslie Hunt, Member

Administration Present: ___ P___ Bill Slikker, Superintendent/Principal

Flag Salute: Brandon Longstreth

Staff Present: Tressa Souza

Others Present: Julie Betschart

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PUBLISHED/AMENDED

Michael Hofmann made the motion to approve the agenda as published, Chris Hempleman seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

III. PUBLIC COMMENT AND COMMUNICATION

Opportunity for the public to address the Board on agenda items only. **Maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker.** The Board is not permitted to act or hear comments on any matter not on the Agenda. If appropriate, a Board member may direct the questions to the Superintendent/Principal or schedule an item for a future board agenda.

IV. FINANCE / GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Discussion 2025-2026 Second Interim Report presented by Julie Betschart.

a. Zoom Link: <https://stancoe-org.zoom.us/j/81259874449#success>

V. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting date and time: Tuesday, April 14th, at 5:00 p.m.

Brandon Longstreth made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Micheal Hofmann seconded the motion

MOTION PASSED: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
Meeting adjourned at 5:51 P>M.

Budget Notes

Mike Hofmann raised concerns about restricted funds and restricted activities. He stated that he observed there are mandated requirements for expenditures. The ones spent so far are about two times the revenue amount.

- 1.2 million expenditures
- 700k revenue coming in

Julie Betschart explained that the state has timing issues. Our district is living on prior year funding.

COVID - Districts were given funds to help aid in the effects of COVID.

Planned deficit - the state should give you enough money to cover those expenditures.

Discretionary block grants - CYABIA: revenue came in last year and our district has not expanded.

Multiyear projection - the only year that is fact and actual is the prior year.

Everything seen for 25-26 and two years out are projected and not actuals. It is what we have budgeted at that point.

Mike Hofmann also raised a concern about the numbers for salary and benefits to Julie Betschart.