



MEETING MINUTES

Attendance

Voting Members

Rebecca Konkin, Board President - Trustee Area 1
Gayle Olsen, Board Vice President - Trustee Area 2
Teisha Hase, Board Clerk - Trustee Area 3
Tom Lando, Board Member - Trustee Area 4
Eileen Robinson, Board Member - Trustee Area 5

Non-Voting Members

Gregory Blake, Superintendent
Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
John Shepherd, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:00 p.m., Board President Konkin called the Regular Board Meeting to order at Butte County Office of Education, Carmichael Building, 2491 Carmichael Drive, Ste. 300, Chico, and announced the Board was going into Closed Session.

A. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

There were no public comments on Closed Session Items.

2. CLOSED SESSION

- A. *Public Employee Appointment/Employment*
- B. *Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation*
- C. *Public Employee Performance Evaluation*
- D. *Update on Labor Negotiations*

3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

A. Call to Order

At 6:05 p.m. Board President Konkin called the Regular Board Meeting to order.

B. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

Board President Konkin stated that during Closed Session, the Board unanimously approved the appointment of John Lovell as the Assistant Principal at Pleasant Valley High School.

C. Flag Salute

Board President Konkin led the salute to the flag.

4. STUDENT REPORTS

Marigold Elementary School's Principal Shawneese Heath provided an introduction to the Marigold Theater. Students and staff shared their experiences and presented photos and video clips from past performances and program highlights.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOGNITION

At 6:21 p.m. Marigold Principal Shawneese Heath presented the Superintendent's Awards to Karen Atwood and Kelly Baker. Director Joe Morris presented the Superintendent's Award to Amber Matthews and Will Lourence.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 6:32 p.m. Board President Konkin invited CSEA Chapter #110 President Kelley Serl to the podium. CSEA recognized Mike Allen, Executive Director of Classified HR, for his support and partnership and designated Executive Director Mike Allen as an honorary CSEA member.

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

At 6:34 p.m. Board President Konkin opened the floor to public comment. Two speakers spoke for a total of six minutes. Topics included the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1555 educational programs and a new book, "Flip the Script: A Teen Novel About How Today's Choices Unlock the Power of Skilled Career" by Norm Nielsen and Mark Powers.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

At 6:42 p.m. Board President Konkin asked if anyone would like to pull a Consent Item for further discussion. None were pulled. A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion made by: Gayle Olsen

Motion seconded by: Teisha Hase

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase

Yes: Tom Lando

Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

A. GENERAL

1. The Board Approved the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on 7/29/26

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. The Board Approved the Expulsion Clearance of Students with the Following IDs: 97209, 102153 (Submitted by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)
2. The Board Approved the Chico Unified School District Monthly Enrollment Update (Submitted by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)
3. The Board Approved the Field Trip Requests (Submitted by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)
4. The Board Approved the Williams Uniform Complaint Quarterly Report (Submitted by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)
5. The Board Approved the Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs (Con App) for 2026-2027 (Submitted by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services)
6. The Board Approved the Computers for Classrooms Recertification (Submitted by John Vincent, Director Information Technology)

C. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. The Board Approved the Account Payable Warrants (Submitted by Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent Business Services)
2. The Board Approved the Contracts (Submitted by Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent Business Services)

3. The Board Approved the Construction Projects- Skilled And Trained Workforce Requirement – UBC - PVHS Building D Fire Rebuild (Submitted by Julie Kistle, Director Facilities & Construction)
4. The Board Approved the Construction Projects- Skilled And Trained Workforce Requirement – Modern - Inspire (Submitted by Julie Kistle, Director Facilities & Construction)

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. The Board Approved the Certificated Human Resources Actions (Submitted by John Shepherd, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources)
2. The Board Approved the Classified Human Resources Actions (Submitted by Mike Allen, Executive Director Classified Human Resources)

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

A. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. **INFORMATIONAL: Update on Opening Day for the 2026-27 School Year (Presented by Tina Keene, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services)**
At 6:43 p.m., Assistant Superintendent Tina Keene provided an update on the 2026-27 school year. Discussion included the summer programs, professional development opportunities, enrollment, co-curricular and extra-curricular programs and school construction and facility projects. Board President Konkin stated this is informational only, and no action is required.

B. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. **INFORMATIONAL: General Facilities Update (Presented by Julie Kistle, Director Facilities & Construction and Joe Morris, Director Maintenance, Operations, & Transportation)**

At 7:00 p.m. Director Joe Morris and Director Julie Kistle provided an update on summer projects that occurred across the district. Updates included roof repairs, drinking fountain installation, playgrounds, campus beautification and parking lot repairs. Restroom projects, construction, modernization projects, and gym work were also discussed. Board President Konkin stated this was informational only and no action is required.

2. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: Agreement Between Chico Unified School District and the City of Chico for Warner St. - West Sacramento Ave. Safety Improvements Project (Presented by Julie Kistle, Director Facilities & Construction)**

At 7:11 p.m. Director Julie Kistle shared that the City of Chico ("City") is undertaking the Warner Street - West Sacramento Avenue Safety Improvements Project ("Project") to address significant multi-modal traffic safety issues. The City of Chico has requested, and CUSD has agreed to contribute, \$250,000 toward its share of the project costs. The City will only request the contribution if the grant is awarded. If funding is not awarded, the project will not move forward, and no funds will be requested.

Chico Unified School District's share of costs will be funded out of Fund 42 - Redevelopment. A request is being made to grant authorization to the Superintendent or designee to enter into an agreement with the City of Chico for the Warner Street – West Sacramento Avenue Safety Improvements Project. A motion was made for approval.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Teisha Hase

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase
Yes: Tom Lando
Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution No. 1737-26, Authorizing an Addendum to the Meriam Park Project Certified Environmental Impact Report for Purposes of Satisfying the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Blue Oak Charter School New Campus Project, Approving the Project, Adopting the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and Delegating Authority to Staff to Execute and File the Notice of Determination with the Butte County Clerk and State Clearinghouse (Presented By Julie Kistle, Director Facilities & Construction)

At 7:15 p.m. Director Julie Kistle stated that for the Blue Oak Charter School New Campus Project, the District retained PlaceWorks to conduct a CEQA environmental review. The proposed project involves the construction and operation of a new transitional kindergarten (TK) through grade 8 public charter school campus on an approximately 2.47-acre site at 2485 Apodaca Place (APN 002-180-234-000) within the Meriam Park planning area in the City of Chico. The project would be developed in two phases: Phase 1 would install modular classroom buildings totaling approximately 17,472 square feet to serve an initial enrollment of approximately 210 students, and Phase 2 would construct a permanent two-story classroom building with approximately 46,000 square feet of total floor area. The campus is designed to accommodate approximately 300 students.

In June 2007, the City of Chico certified the Meriam Park Project Environmental Impact Report (Certified EIR; State Clearinghouse No. 2005072045), which evaluated the environmental effects associated with the development of approximately 272 acres in the south-east quadrant of the City of Chico. The Certified EIR analyzed a mix of residential, commercial, office, recreation, and public-serving uses, including community-serving institutional uses such as schools, organized within a Traditional Neighborhood Development framework.

Based on PlaceWorks' analysis of the proposed project, an Addendum to the Certified EIR was prepared pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. The Addendum concludes that the proposed project will not result in any new significant environmental impacts, nor will it substantially increase the severity of previously identified significant effects. No conditions described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 have occurred that would require preparation of a Subsequent or Supplemental EIR. Accordingly, no new mitigation measures, findings of fact, or statement of overriding considerations are required. A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1737-26.

Motion made by: Teisha Hase
Motion seconded by: Eileen Robinson

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin
Yes: Gayle Olsen
Yes: Teisha Hase
Yes: Tom Lando
Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution 1736-26, Northern California Schools Insurance Group (NCSIG) Amended Bylaws (Presented by Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent Business Services)

At 7:20 p.m. Deputy Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger stated that Chico Unified School District is a member of the Northern California Schools Insurance Group (NCSIG) Joint Powers Authority. The NCSIG Bylaws were last reviewed and revised on May 26, 2022.

The Bylaws define the number of board members from each NCSIG representative county based on average daily attendance (ADA). The change as outlined in the bylaws will change the qualifying ADA for counties that do not have the majority of their Public Educational Agencies as NCSIG members. This will allow members with ADA between 500 and 4,999 to have board representation regardless of how many Public Educational Agencies in their county are NCSIG members.

The NCSIG Board approved the amended changes to the bylaws on May 29, 2026. In accordance with Article XIV of the Bylaws, a 2/3 vote from all members are required to pass the proposed changes. A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1736-26.

Motion made by: Eileen Robinson

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase

Yes: Tom Lando

Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Assembly Bill (AB) 2756 Public Disclosure Documents for Compensation Agreement with California Schools Employee Association (CSEA) Chapter #110 (Presented by Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent Business Services)

At 7:22 p.m. Deputy Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger shared that Chico Unified School District (CUSD) reached an agreement with California Schools Employee's Association (CSEA). The 2027-28 compensation agreement is estimated to be an increase of 3.36% to the salary schedule as well as a 3.36% increase to the District's contribution to medical benefits. The fiscal impact for CSEA is approximately \$1,674,143 for fiscal year 2027-28. A motion was made to approve the Public Disclosure Documents for Compensation Agreement with California Schools Employee Association (CSEA) Chapter #110.

Motion made by: Gayle Olsen

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase

Yes: Tom Lando

Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter #110 and Chico Unified School District Tentative Agreement for the 2027-28 Fiscal Year (Presented by John Shepherd, Assistant Superintendent)**
At 7:25 p.m. Assistant Superintendent John Shepherd shared that the Chico Unified School District (CUSD) reached an agreement with the California School Employees Association (CSEA). The compensation portion of the agreement for the 2027-28 school year is estimated to be 3.36%. The cost of this agreement will be paid with a combination of new revenue from the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) and the District's General Fund reserves.

Additionally, the agreement includes a shift of the expiration date of the term of the current CSEA/CUSD contract. A motion was made to approve the Tentative Agreement for 2027-28 with CSEA Chapter #110.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Teisha Hase

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase

Yes: Tom Lando

Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

D. BOARD

1. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: First Draft of Board Goals for 2026-2027 School Year (Board Discussion)**
At 7:27 p.m. Draft goals were brought forward for Board discussion. The Board discussed areas of focus, tools for goal evaluation and reflection opportunities. Metrics and ways to make the information quantifiable were discussed. Board Clerk Hase offered to draft a Google Form. Board President Konkin stated the Board would put this on hold for a future Board Meeting and no action was taken.

2. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Revised/Updated/New Board Policies (Presented by Superintendent Greg Blake)**

At 7:43 p.m. the Board discussed questions regarding policy updates. A motion was made to approve the Board Policies and Board Bylaws as presented.

Motion made by: Eileen Robinson

Motion seconded by: Rebecca Konkin

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase

Yes: Tom Lando

Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

10. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST TO AGENDIZE ITEM

A. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Board Member Request to Agendize a Discussion Regarding Chico Unified School District Partnering with PVHS and CHS Sports Boosters for Funding Both Their Athletic Trainers (Submitted by Board Member Konkin and Board Member Olsen)

At 8:01 p.m. Board President Konkin and Board Vice President Olsen both submitted a request to agendize a discussion about providing support for the athletic trainers. A motion was made to put this on hold for a future meeting.

Motion made by: Gayle Olsen

Motion seconded by: Eileen Robinson

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase

Yes: Tom Lando

Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Board Member Request to Agendize Discussion/Action Creation of a Standing Committee for Technology and AI Policy that Includes Community Members, Staff, Admin and Board (Submitted by Board Member Lando)

At 8:05 p.m. Board Member Lando shared the rationale for this agenda item. Board President Konkin opened the floor to public comment. One person spoke for three minutes regarding the importance of having parent input on the committee. A motion was made for approval.

Motion made by: Rebecca Konkin

Motion seconded by: Teisha Hase

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

Yes: Rebecca Konkin

Yes: Gayle Olsen

Yes: Teisha Hase

Yes: Tom Lando

Yes: Eileen Robinson

The motion passed (5-0).

11. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:11 p.m. Board President Konkin adjourned the meeting.

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Board Clerk

Superintendent