

## MEETING MINUTES

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Open Session Agenda Items	Green - In Favor Red - In Opposition Yellow - Matters Not On The Agenda	Prior to Adoption of Open Session Agenda

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**Mr. José Magaña, President**

**Mr. Brian Wheatley, Vice President**

**Ms. Teresa Castellanos, Member**

**Ms. Carla Collins, Member**

**Ms. Nicole Gribstad, Member**

**Ms. Nancy Albarrán, Superintendent**

**Sophie Santos, Student Board Member [San José High School]**

**Diana Loveland Lemasa, Alternate Student Board Member [Gunderson High School]**

The Regular Session Meeting of the Board of Education will be called to order no earlier than 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The Board President will adjourn the Regular Session Meeting to a Closed Session to consider those items that are specifically exempt under the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. Closed Sessions are not open to the general public.

The Closed Session will adjourn, and the Regular Session Meeting will be reconvened no earlier than 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The Superintendent will report all actions taken by the Board of Education in Closed Session prior to the conclusion of the Regular Session Meeting [Pursuant to Government Code 54957.1].

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## **Attendance**

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### **Voting Members**

Teresa Castellanos, Board Member

Carla Collins, Board Member

Jose Magana, Board President

Brian Wheatley, Board Vice President

### **A. Call to Order in Open Session - no earlier than 5:00 PM**

Board President José Magaña called the meeting to order in open session at 5:00 p.m.

### **B. Adoption of Closed Session Agenda**

Assistant Superintendent J. Dominic Bejarano announced one amendment to the closed session agenda. Item E.3.A Personnel, Public Employee Appointment, change one of the three Assistant Principals, Elementary School, from Gardner to Horace Mann.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to adopt the closed session agenda as amended.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The closed session agenda was adopted as amended by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Adoption of the closed session agenda is located at 0:09-0:43 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

### **C. Public Comments Regarding Closed Session Agenda Items**

There were no public comments regarding closed session agenda items.

### **D. Adjourn to Closed Session**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:01 p.m.

## E. Closed Session Agenda

1. Student Discipline - Student Expulsion Hearings [Pursuant to Education Codes 35146 and 48918]
2. Student Discipline - Readmission [Pursuant to Education Codes 35146, 48912 and 48916]
3. Personnel [Pursuant To Government Code Section 54957 (b) (1)]
4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation [Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]
5. Conference with Labor Negotiator [Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 (a)]

## F. Reconvene in Open Session - no earlier than 6:00 PM

Board President José Magaña reconvened the meeting in open session at 6:00 p.m. He announced that equipment for Spanish interpretation was available on the tables near the entrance. He noted the absence of Trustee Nicole Gribstad, who was ill, and the absence of Superintendent Nancy Albarrán and Associate Superintendent Jodi Lax, who were not present at the meeting today as both were out of state, each attending their child's graduation ceremony. He announced that the Board members were joined at the dais by Assistant Superintendent J. Dominic Bejarano, Director Matt Hewitson, Director Peter Park and Director Shannon McGee.

Reconvene in open session is located at 1:03-1:37 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

## G. Pledge of Allegiance

Student Board Member Sophie Santos led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## H. Adoption of Open Session Agenda

Assistant Superintendent J. Dominic Bejarano announced one amendment to the open session agenda. Amend Item I.1.3 Recognitions per Board Policy 1150: School Commendations and Awards. The list of awardees has been updated.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to adopt the open session agenda as amended.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The open session agenda was adopted by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Adoption of the open session agenda is located at 2:10-2:50 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

## I. Special Order of Business

1. Recognitions per Board Policy 1150: Commendations and Awards

Board President José Magaña welcomed everyone to the Board of Education meeting and opened the Recognitions per Board Policy 1150: Commendations and Awards.

### **1. Recognition of Outgoing Student Board Member Sophie Santos and Alternate Student Board Member Diana Loveland Lemasa**

Board President José Magaña shared that San José Unified has been blessed to have incredible student board members who have been great advocates and champions for their fellow students. He recognized Student Board Member Sophie Santos and Alternate Student Board Member Diana Loveland Lemasa for their leadership in serving as a voice for their peers, leading ASB meetings, attending Board meetings, and gathering student feedback. He noted that they balance these responsibilities alongside demanding academics, including AP classes, sports, work, college applications, community-building efforts, and the everyday challenges of being teenagers today. Board Vice President Brian Wheatley, Trustee Teresa Castellanos and Trustee Carla Collins each thanked Sophie and Diana for their courage and for sharing their perspectives, insights and input.

Student Board Member Sophie Santos and Alternate Student Board Member Diana Loveland Lemasa shared their experience serving on the Board, discussed their post-high school plans, and thanked the Board members for the opportunity and privilege of serving alongside them.

The recognition of the outgoing student board members is located at 3:03–10:15 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

### **2. Recognition of SJUSD Employees of the Year: Classified, Certificated, and Administrator**

Director of Human Resources Peter Park made opening remarks and announced that the San José Unified Employees of the Year had been recognized previously at the annual event that was held at Gunderson High School. He introduced the 2025-2026 classified employee of the year, Christy Canchola, and invited her to come to the podium. He read a brief statement about her role in keeping day-to-day operations running smoothly, her professionalism, positive presence and steady commitment to helping others succeed. Next, Director Peter Park introduced the 2025-2026 certificated employee of the year, Mr. Ken Pringle, who has taught science at Lincoln High School for 23 years. He invited Mr. Pringle to come to the podium and read a brief statement about his work ethic, dedication, kindness, patience, and integrity, serving as a role model for students and colleagues. Next, Director Peter Park introduced the 2025-2026 administrator of the year, Willow Glen Middle School Principal Lindsey Beall, and invited her to come to the podium. He read a brief statement about her leadership and dedication to San José Unified School District and her ability to guide her community through times of success as well as challenges.

The Board members acknowledged the commitment and dedication of all the staff members and extended congratulations to the employees of the year.

The recognition of the SJUSD Employees of the Year is located at 10:17–16:56 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

### **3. Recognitions per Board Policy 1150: Commendations and Awards**

It is the policy of the Governing Board to publicly recognize the outstanding accomplishments of those students and staff members whose designated achievements may be considered exemplary. Recognition is based on alignment with the San José Unified Strategic Plan and furthering the mission and vision of the district.

Students or staff members receive Board recognition for the following categories:

- Organization in partnership with the district
- Co-curricular activity

- School-sponsored athletics that wins Central Coast Section (CCS) or higher level of competition

During the adoption of the agenda, it was announced that the list of awardees had been updated.

Board President José Magaña made opening remarks and introduced the recognitions per Board Policy 1150: School Commendations and Awards, which featured a video presentation of the honorees. He then read a summary of each recognition, asking the awardees to stand as their names and school sites were announced. The Board members offered their congratulations and commended the honorees for their accomplishments. After a final round of applause, he directed the honorees to step out into the hallway for photographs. At 6:30 p.m., Board President José Magaña called for a recess and announced that the Board would reconvene at 6:40 p.m. The Board members stepped out of the room to join the awardees in the hall for photos.

The updated list of awardees is attached.

The Recognitions per Board Policy 1150: School Commendations and Awards is located at 17:00-30:14 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording.  
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Commendations and School Awards 2026 as updated

#### **J. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda**

Board President José Magaña reconvened the meeting at 6:40 p.m. He opened public comments at 6:42 p.m. with a reminder for the public about the process. Speakers were allowed two (2) minutes each to address the Board.

Speaker: Bruce Garibaldi  
Topic: The Lincoln High School pool

Speaker: Clark Guerrero  
Topic: The pool at Lincoln

Speaker: Liliana Varbanova  
Topic: Lincoln HS pool

Speaker: Emilia Romero  
Topic: Lincoln swimming pool

Speaker: Roumen Petrov  
Topic: Lincoln swim pool

Speaker: Sean Khau  
Topic: Lincoln swimming pool

Speaker: Kaela Chang  
Topic: J.1. School closures

Speaker: Erika Murphy  
Topic: BP 6146.11

Speaker: Laura Boyadjiev  
Topic: Lincoln swim pool

Speaker: David Friedlander  
Topic: J.1. School closures

Speaker: Travis Curran  
Topic: J-1 general, non-agenda

Speaker: Joanna Sun  
Topic: Open another TWBI TK class at Bachrodt

Speaker: Evelyn Cervantes  
Topic: Report from Sacramento to SJUSD community

Speaker: Emma Thomas  
Topic: Staff resource allocation

Speaker: Julia Jackson  
Topic: The \$96 Million in reserves & how that could support kids with special needs

Speaker: Danielle Bouchard  
Topic: Bus service for Empire Gardens & extra TK for Bachrodt

Speaker: Dawn Ruth  
Topic: Waitlists for TWBI

Speaker: Jennifer DePuy  
Topic: J.1. Bussing

Speaker: Chris Webb  
Topic: Public comment process, parent resolution

Public comments for Items Not on the Agenda closed at 7:20 p.m.

Public comments for items not on the agenda are located at 30:21-1:09:24 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

## **K. Action, Information, and Discussion Items**

### **1. Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-013 (ACTION)**

Public comments regarding item K.1 opened at 7:20 p.m. The speaker was allowed two (2) minutes to address the Board.

Speaker: Travis Curran  
Topic: Against Item K.1. Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-013 (red speaker card submitted)

Public comments regarding item K.1 closed at 7:21 p.m.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-013.

Motion to approve Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-013 made by Brian Wheatley  
Motion seconded by Carla Collins

Roll Call Vote:  
Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña - Yes

Motion to suspend expulsion 2025-2026-013 made by Brian Wheatley  
Motion seconded by Carla Collins

Roll Call Vote:

Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña – Yes

Public Comments and Board action are located at 1:09:31-1:11:17 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

## **2. Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2024-2025-011 (ACTION)**

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2024-2025-011.

Motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2024-2025-011 made by Brian Wheatley  
Motion seconded by Teresa Castellanos

Roll Call Vote:

Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña – Yes

Board action is located at 1:11:19-1:11:38 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

## **3. Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2024-2025-012 (ACTION)**

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2024-2025-012.

Motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2024-2025-012 made by Teresa Castellanos  
Motion seconded by Carla Collins

Roll Call Vote:

Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña – Yes

Board action is located at 1:11:40-1:12:00 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

## **4. Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-003 (ACTION)**

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-003.

Motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-003 made by Brian Wheatley  
Motion seconded by Teresa Castellanos

Roll Call Vote:

Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña - Yes

Board action is located at 1:12:01-1:12:19 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording.  
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**5. Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-005 (ACTION)**

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-005.

Motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-005 made by Teresa Castellanos  
Motion seconded by Carla Collins

Roll Call Vote:  
Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña - Yes

Board action is located at 1:12:21-1:12:44 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording.  
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**6. Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-006 (ACTION)**

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-006

Motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-006 made by Teresa Castellanos  
Motion seconded by Brian Wheatley

Roll Call Vote:  
Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña - Yes

Board action is located at 1:12:46-1:13:03 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording.  
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**7. Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-008 (ACTION)**

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-008.

Motion to approve Readmission for Student Expulsion Case 2025-2026-008 made by Teresa Castellanos  
Motion seconded by Brian Wheatley

Roll Call Vote:  
Teresa Castellanos - Yes  
Carla Collins - Yes  
Brian Wheatley - Yes  
José Magaña - Yes

Board action is located at 1:13:05-1:13:23 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording.  
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## **L. Announcements and Reports**

### **1. Board of Education and Student Board Member**

Board President José Magaña opened public comments regarding item L.1 at 7:24 p.m. The speakers were allowed two (2) minutes each to address the Board.

Speaker: David Friedlander

Topic: Against Item L.1 Announcements and Reports by the Board of Education and Student Board Member, rescheduling of May 7, 2026, Board meeting (red request to speak card submitted)

Speaker: Danielle Bouchard

Topic: For Item L.1 Announcements and Reports by the Board of Education and Student Board Member, adding events not attended by José Magaña (green request to speak card submitted)

Public comments regarding item L.1 closed at 7:28 p.m.

Trustee Teresa Castellanos had no report.

Student Board Member Sophie Santos shared her excitement about the upcoming graduation ceremonies for the San José Unified Class of 2026. She announced that graduations would be held on Wednesday and Thursday and that she looked forward to seeing everyone at her graduation ceremony, which was scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

Trustee Carla Collins announced that she has continued to meet with parents. She gave a brief report on the meetings and events in which she participated or attended since the last meeting, including a Lincoln High School theater production and the recent meeting of the MetroED Governing Board. She acknowledged the Lincoln High School theater department for earning multiple Rita Moreno Award nominations and recognized MetroED students for their achievements, including participation in the Silicon Valley Career Technical Education (SVCTE) hackathon where students developed innovative apps to address school-related challenges and encouraged support for future coding and AI opportunities. She extended congratulations to all the graduating and promoting students across all grade levels. She expressed concern about the misinformation circulating in the community regarding the meeting schedule change.

Board Vice President Brian Wheatley reported on the meetings and events in which he had participated since the last meeting, including the recent policy committee meetings, the PTA carnival at Terrell Elementary School, awards assemblies at Almaden Elementary School, the Tech Ed Awards Night at Silicon Valley Career Technical Education (SVCTE), the Foster 5K, the San José Giants Education Day, and Open House at Canoas Elementary School.

Board President José Magaña reported on the CORAL Cheer/Dance Off competition, which included student participants from Mount Pleasant Elementary School District, San José Unified School District and Franklin McKinley School District. He acknowledged all the participants as well as the Extended Learning Opportunities Program (ELO-P) staff and the CORAL staff for putting the event together. He wished everyone a safe and positive graduation and commencement season. He announced that he would be attending some of the graduations but unfortunately would not be able to attend all of them. He also addressed the misinformation about the reason for the rescheduling of the Board meeting.

Public comments and announcements and reports by the Board of Education and Student Board Member are located at 1:13:26-1:24:49 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording.  
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## 2. Superintendent and Executive Staff

Board President José Magaña opened public comments regarding item L.2 at 7:35 p.m. The speaker was allowed two (2) minutes to address the Board.

Speaker: Kaela Chang

Topic: Item L.2 Announcements and Reports by the Superintendent and Executive Staff  
(red request to speak card submitted)

Public comments closed at 7:36 p.m.

Director Shannon McGee acknowledged Student Board Members Sophie Santos and Diana Loveland Lemasa for their leadership in preparing for and attending Board meetings and for running the Intradistrict Leadership Council (ILC) meetings. She also recognized Leon Beauchman and the Santa Clara County Alliance of Black Educators for hosting education-related events that have been attended by hundreds of San José Unified middle and high school students.

Director Peter Park shared that 74 San José Unified employees would be retiring at the conclusion of the school year. He acknowledged the retirees for their great careers and dedication to San José Unified students and reported that the retiree celebration event was held last Thursday.

Director Matt Hewitson gave a brief report on the state and national testing sessions in which over 16,000 San José Unified students participated. He acknowledged the students for their hard work on the exams, all the district and site staff for their work administering the tests, as well as Alex Fisher, Veronica Chavez Avila, and Marta Galindo for coordinating the effort. He also recognized Gunderson High School and Schallenberger Elementary for going above and beyond to encourage attendance and participation in their state testing. He announced that AP and IB testing for students in advanced curriculum programs was finishing up this week. He reported that students who pass these exams earn college credit while they're in high school and that each year about 60 percent of seniors graduating from San José Unified earn college credit prior to graduation. He closed his report acknowledging the upcoming Memorial Day weekend. He paid tribute to the veterans, including San José Unified students, who have served or are currently serving, honoring them for their service and sacrifice.

Assistant Superintendent J. Dominic Bejarano had no report.

Public comments and announcements and reports by the Superintendent and Executive Staff are located at 1:24:51-1:30:25 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording.  
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## M. Minutes

### 1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session Meeting held May 12, 2026

Board President José Magaña opened public comments regarding item M.1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session Meeting held May 12, 2026, at 7:41 p.m. The Speakers were allowed two (2) minutes each to address the Board.

Speaker: Travis Curran

Topic: Against Item M.1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session Meeting held May 12, 2026 (red request to speak card submitted)

Speaker: Kaela Chang

Topic: Against Item M.1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session Meeting held May 12, 2026 (red request to speak card submitted)

Public comments regarding item M.1 closed at 7:43 p.m.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The minutes of the Regular Session Meeting held May 12, 2026, were approved as submitted by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Approval of the minutes is located at 1:30:27-1:33:10 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

## **N. Approval of Consent Calendar**

All Agenda items listed under the Consent Calendar will be enacted in one motion. There will be no discussion of these items prior to consideration of the motion, unless a member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent request that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Items N.2, N.7, N.8, N.9, N.10, and N.11 were pulled from the consent calendar.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve items N.1 through N.12 with the exceptions of N.2, N.7, N.8, N.9, N.10, and N.11.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The consent calendar was approved except for items N.2, N.7, N.8, N.9, N.10, and N.11.

Approval of the consent calendar is located at 1:33:12-1:34:17 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

### **1. Acceptance of Gifts (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education accept, with thanks, the gifts to the District as specified.

### **2. Management Personnel Actions (ACTION) - None**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the Management Personnel Actions as specified.

Board President José Magaña opened public comments regarding item N.2 at 7:44 p.m. The speakers were allowed two (2) minutes each to address the Board.

Speaker: Dawn Ruth

Topic: Against Item N.2. Management Personnel Actions (red request to speak card submitted)

Speaker: Travis Curran

Topic: Against Item N.2. Management Personnel Actions (red request to speak card submitted)

Public comments regarding item N.2 closed at 7:47 p.m.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve item N.2.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Carla Collins

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The recommendation was approved by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Public comments and Board action are located at 1:34:17-1:37:30 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

### **3. Certificated Personnel Actions (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the Certificated Personnel Actions as specified.

### **4. Classified Personnel Actions (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the Classified Personnel Actions as specified.

### **5. Short-term Limited Services Agreements (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the Short-term Limited Services Agreements as specified.

### **6. Monthly Reports for the Month of April 2026 (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education, based upon review of the monthly reports for April 2026, accept the following reports:

Approved Purchase Order Report

Accounts Payable Warrant Report

Payroll Warrant Report

Cash Flow

### **7. Ratification of Service Agreement with National Equity Project (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education ratify a Service Agreement with National Equity Project (NEP) in an amount not-to-exceed \$130,000 to support school community transition planning and consolidation implementation during the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

Board President José Magaña opened public comments regarding item N.7 at 7:48 p.m. The speaker was allowed two (2) minutes to address the Board.

Speaker: David Friedlander

Topic: Against Item N.7. Ratification of Service Agreement with National Equity Project (red request to

Speak card submitted)

Trustee Teresa Castellanos left the room at 7:48 p.m. and returned to the room at 7:50 p.m.

Public comments regarding item N.7 closed at 7:50 p.m.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve item N.7.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The recommendation was approved by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Public comments and Board action are located at 1:37:32-1:40:25 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

#### **8. Approval of Permanent PE Exemptions for High School Students (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education grant permanent exemptions from physical education courses to specified high school students who have submitted appropriate medical documentation and meet district criteria for exemption in accordance with Education Code 51241(c).

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve item N.8.

Director of Secondary Curriculum and Instruction Melitta Nerhood provided information about the permanent PE exemptions for high school students.

**Motion made by:** Brian Wheatley

**Motion seconded by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The recommendation was approved by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Discussion and Board action are located at 1:40:26-1:41:38 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

#### **9. Ratification of Moving and Storage Services Eligibility Pool (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the firms specified on the attached list as being eligible to perform the Moving and Storage Services for the District and authorize staff to negotiate contracts for their services as those services are required.

Board President José Magaña opened public comments regarding item N.9 at 7:52 p.m. The speaker was allowed two (2) minutes to address the Board.

Speaker: David Friedlander

Topic: Against Item N.9. Ratification of Moving and Storage Services Eligibility Pool (red request to speak card submitted)

Public comments regarding item N.9 closed at 7:54 p.m.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve item N.9.

**Motion made by:** Carla Collins

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The recommendation was approved by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Public comments and Board action are located at 1:41:41-1:44:10 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

#### **10. Ratification of Independent Contractor Agreement with Crown Worldwide Moving and Storage, LLC, DBA The Armstrong Company (ACTION)**

Recommendation: That the Board of Education ratify the approval of the Independent Contractor Agreement with Crown Worldwide Moving and Storage, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00 to provide moving and storage services district wide (Project Z0549) from May 7, 2026, through August 30, 2026.

Board President José Magaña opened public comments regarding item N.10 at 7:55 p.m. The speaker was allowed two (2) minutes to address the Board.

Speaker: Dawn Ruth

Topic: Against N.10. Ratification of Independent Contractor Agreement with Crown Worldwide Moving and Storage, LLC, DBA The Armstrong Company (red request to speak card submitted)

Public comments regarding item N.10 closed at 7:56 p.m.

Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve item N.10.

**Motion made by:** Brian Wheatley

**Motion seconded by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The recommendation was approved by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Public comments and Board action are located at 1:44:12-1:45:56 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board

### 11. Third Amendment to the Joint Use Agreement with Catalyst Family, Inc. (ACTION)

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the Third Amendment to the Joint Use Agreement with Catalyst Family, Inc. extending the terms of the agreement for an additional one-year term for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027 (“Renewal Term 3”).

Board President José Magaña acknowledged that a card had been submitted for public comments on item N.11. The community member that had submitted the request to make public comments decided not to speak on the item. Board President José Magaña entertained a motion to approve item N.11.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The recommendation was approved by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.

Public comments and Board action are located at 1:45:59-1:46:22 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

### 12. Ratification of Construction and Purchasing Related Contracts and Items (ACTION)

Recommendation: That the Board of Education ratify District staff’s approval of Contracts, Change Orders, and Amendments referenced in the attached list.

### O. Closed Session Report

Assistant Superintendent J. Dominic Bejarano gave the closed session report. He requested that the record reflect that Trustee Gribstad was absent for closed session. The Board held an expulsion hearing with no reportable action for case number 2025-2026-013. The Board held six readmission student expulsion hearings for case numbers 2024-2025-011, 2024-2025-012, 2025-2026-003, 2025-2026-005, 2025-2026-006, and 2025-2026-008 with no reportable action. The Board discussed personnel items and approved the following recommendations by a vote of four to zero: Principal Bret Harte Middle School, Mycal Hixon, Assistant Principal, Lincoln High School, Evan Brown, Assistant Principal, Leland High School, Ashley Albers, Assistant Principal, Pioneer High School, Melina Mahboobi, Assistant Principal, Horace Mann Elementary School, Lorena Gaeta-Rodriguez, Assistant Principal, Washington Elementary School, Rene Michel, Assistant Principal, Simonds Elementary School, Jennifer Street. The Board discussed existing litigation case number 26CV492243 with no reportable action and the Board held a conference with labor negotiators with no reportable action.

The closed session report is located at 1:46:24-1:48:29 on the 05.21.2026 Regular Session Board Meeting Recording. <https://sjusd.app.box.com/v/boardmeetingaudio>

### P. Adjourn

Board President José Magaña announced the date of the next meeting and entertained a motion to adjourn.

**Motion made by:** Teresa Castellanos

**Motion seconded by:** Brian Wheatley

**Voting results:** Unanimously approved

Yes: Teresa Castellanos

Yes: Carla Collins

Yes: Jose Magana

Yes: Brian Wheatley

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m. by a vote of 4-0 with Trustee Nicole Gribstad absent.


**1. Next Board Meeting - June 11, 2026**

## Supporting Documents

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The following PDFs were attached to the minutes:

### **I. 1. 3. Recognitions per Board Policy 1150: Commendations and Awards**

 Commendations and School Awards 2026 as updated



**Commendations and School Awards**

<b>Honoree</b>	<b>School Site</b>	<b>Recognition</b>
<b>Vanessa Lucban</b>	<i>Liberty ACE Student</i>	For outstanding achievement, dedication, and exemplary performance as a student employee. Your contributions and work ethic truly distinguish you as Student Employee of the Year.
<b>Angelina Silveira</b>	<i>Liberty ACE Student</i>	Awarded for exceptional responsibility, initiative, and a strong commitment to success. Your hard work and positive impact set you apart and exemplify what it means to be Student Employee of the Year.
<b>Jose Sandoval Lopez</b>	<i>Liberty ACE Student</i>	In recognition of outstanding dedication, professionalism, and work ethic. Your commitment to excellence, positive attitude, and contributions to your workplace make you a valued role model and a deserving recipient of the Student Employee of the Year award.
<b>Louis DeScioli</b>	<i>Leland High School Student</i>	In recognition of being named the BVAL Male Scholar Athlete of the Year and advancing to the Central Coast Section (CCS) Scholar Athlete of the Year selection process.
<b>Kai Carter</b>	<i>Pioneer High School Student</i>	Presented in honor of achieving a Gold Medal in Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning at the California SkillsUSA competition, demonstrating outstanding skill and dedication.
<b>Isabel Zuck</b>	<i>Leland High School Student</i>	In recognition of earning a Silver Medal in Career Pathways: Industrial Engineering Team at the California SkillsUSA competition, demonstrating outstanding teamwork and technical skill.
<b>Andrew Cates</b>	<i>Broadway High Student</i>	In recognition of earning a Silver Medal in Chapter Business Procedure Team at the California SkillsUSA competition, demonstrating outstanding teamwork and leadership.

<b>Honoree</b>	<b>School Site</b>	<b>Recognition</b>
<b>Jakari Sprewell</b>	<i>Pioneer High Student</i>	In recognition of earning a Silver Medal in Chapter Business Procedure Team at the California SkillsUSA competition, demonstrating exceptional teamwork, leadership, and professionalism.
<b>Michelle Mayhew</b>	<i>Pioneer High School Staff</i>	In recognition of receiving the Bob Burton Spirit Award, honoring her outstanding leadership and dedication to building a positive school culture and elevating school spirit on campus.
<b>Joanne Bui</b>	<i>Williams Elementary Staff</i>	In recognition of being selected as the 2026 YMCA Project Cornerstone Asset Champions Award recipient for Adult Role Model, celebrating her exceptional dedication to supporting youth and creating a positive, caring environment for students and families.
<b>Angelina Kireeva</b>	<i>Broadway High Student</i>	In recognition of having her artwork selected for display at the New Museum Los Gatos through the Art Now Competition, a remarkable accomplishment highlighting her creativity and artistic excellence among hundreds of submissions.
<b>Kyle Markwalter</b>	<i>Willow Glen High School Staff</i>	In recognition of being named the 2026 San José Public Library Educator of the Year, honoring exceptional commitment to student success, innovative instruction, and the creation of a supportive learning environment that inspires a love of learning and academic growth.
<b>Daphne Kenny</b>	<i>Castillero Middle School Student</i>	In recognition of extraordinary courage, compassion, and selfless action in responding to a community emergency, demonstrating maturity, responsibility, and a steadfast commitment to the safety and well-being of others.
<b>Kai Jordan</b>	<i>Castillero Middle School Student</i>	In recognition of extraordinary courage, compassion, and selfless action in responding to a community emergency, demonstrating maturity, responsibility, and a steadfast commitment to the safety and well-being of others.
<b>Aislin Schrader</b>	<i>Castillero Middle School Student</i>	In recognition of extraordinary courage, compassion, and selfless action in responding to a community emergency, demonstrating maturity, responsibility, and a steadfast commitment to the safety and well-being of others.

<b>Honoree</b>	<b>School Site</b>	<b>Recognition</b>
<b>Blake Thayer</b>	<i>Castillero Middle School Student</i>	In recognition of extraordinary courage, compassion, and selfless action in responding to a community emergency, demonstrating maturity, responsibility, and a steadfast commitment to the safety and well-being of others.
<b>Mariachi Team</b>	<i>Lincoln High School</i>	In recognition of being selected as the headlining ensemble at Viva El Mariachi, celebrating exceptional performance, artistic excellence, and pride in representing their school and community.
<b>FRC Team 581 The Blazing Bulldogs</b>	<i>San José High School</i>	In recognition of outstanding global achievement in robotics, earning a top worldwide ranking while exemplifying innovation, teamwork, perseverance, and a commitment to excellence in engineering and education.
<b>Boys Basketball Team</b>	<i>Willow Glen High School</i>	In recognition of winning the Central Coast Section (CCS) Division II Boys Basketball Championship, celebrating a historic accomplishment and the program's second title in school history.
<b>Leland High School</b>		In recognition of earning Platinum recognition on the 2025 AP School Honor Roll, celebrating exceptional achievement and a strong commitment to academic success for all students.
<b>Lincoln High School</b>		In recognition of earning Silver recognition on the 2025 AP School Honor Roll, celebrating achievement and a continued commitment to student success in advanced coursework.
<b>Pioneer High School</b>		In recognition of earning Gold recognition on the 2025 AP School Honor Roll, celebrating outstanding achievement and a continued commitment to student success in advanced coursework.

*Updated May 20, 2026*