

Camino Union School District

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting - March 9, 2021



Regular Meeting

Via Zoom

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

05:45 PM

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VISION

All members of the Camino School community will experience an educational environment dedicated to developing independent, lifelong learners who are prepared to participate creatively and independently in shaping the future.

MISSION

The Camino Union School District joins with the community to provide a high-quality, standards-based education for all students, preparing them academically, socially, and emotionally for success in high school and as productive citizens in our diverse society.

2026 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

- January 13, 2026
- February 10, 2026
- March 10, 2026
- April 14, 2026
- May 12, 2026
- June 16, 2026 Budget/LCAP public hearings
- June 18, 2026 Budget/LCAP adoption
- August 11, 2026
- September 8, 2026
- October 13, 2026
- November 10, 2026
- December 14, 2026 (Monday)

Details

Board Members: Robert Van Gilder
Judy Morris
Pat Kernan
Mike Barreno
Gene Wooden

Other Attendees: Matt Smith

1. Meeting Announcements

1.1 MEETING ACCESS:

2. Call to Order

2.1 Call the meeting to order:

Discussion:

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m..

3. Public Comments on Closed Session

3.1 Public Comments:

Discussion:

There were no public comments on the closed session agenda and the Board adjourned to closed session at 5:45 p.m..

4. Adjourn to Closed Session

4.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation (G.C. 54957)

4.2 Litigation

4.3 Conference with Labor Negotiator (G.C. 54957.6)

4.4 Employee Organizations

4.5 Superintendent Evaluation

5. Reconvene Regular Meeting

5.1 Pledge of Allegiance:

Discussion:

The meeting reconvened at 6:36 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Member Van Gilder.

6. Meeting Management

6.1 Roll Call:

Discussion:

All members were present.

6.2 Staff Members in Attendance:

Discussion:

Matt Smith, Tina Constancio, Dusty Botting, Dawn Wilson, Tara Blanton, Adrienne Bitondo, Sara Rikalo, Cora Dillard, Rebecca Morgan, Jeanele Walsh, Connie Cochran, Dione Stinnett, Chelsea Gonzalez, Jan Kurtz, Patti

6.3 Other present (signed in):

Discussion:

Austin Barreno, Mindi Hawthorne, Roslynne Manansala-Smith, Alicia Brenner, Jenny Cross, Estela Beltran and Carolyn Betty

6.4 Approval of Agenda:

Motion:

It was moved to approve the agenda.

Motion By: Pat Kernan

Second By: Mike Barreno

Yeas: Judy Morris, Gene Wooden, Pat Kernan, Mike Barreno, Robert Van Gilder

Results: Motion Passed

6.5 Disclosure of action, taken in Closed Session:

Discussion:

The Board of Trustees decided to fill the CFO position on an Interim basis, bringing a contract to the April meeting, extend Matthew Smith's Superintendent-Principal contract until 2024, allow volunteers and outside facility use groups back on campus as long as they follow current guidelines.

7. Reports

7.1 Board Members Reports:

Discussion:

Member Morris reported the Camino Clean-Up Day will be on 4/24/2021 and wished Member Barreno a Happy Birthday on March 20th.

Member Barreno had no report.

Member Wooden had no report but thanked CCAC and all the groups that make our community great.

Member Kernan wished everyone a happy St. Patricks Day.

Member Van Gilder thanked staff, students and parents for all of their efforts and hardwork.

7.2 EDCSBA Representative Report:

Discussion:

Member Wooden reported they will hold their annual EDCSBA Awards night virtually on March 22nd at 5:30 p.m..

7.3 Superintendent-Principal's Report:**Discussion:**

Superintendent Smith reported we will plan for an 8th grade and Kinder graduation with tighter rules and following guidelines. He also reported Living History will be held outside with wider spacing. Superintendent Smith reported we will not be able to do Spring House but will hold a BBQ outside for staff and families. He reported we will try and accomodate outside groups as long as they follow the same rules the school does. He reported the Apple Hill Harvest Run planning has begun and they believe they can pull it off on November 14, 2021. Lastly he thanked parents, staff and kids for their hardwork.

7.4 Administrative Reports:**Discussion:**

Superintendent Smith reported Tina Constancio will be moving into the CFO position on an Interim basis. He reported she has been with Camino since 2002. Mrs. Constancio reported she is excited for this oppurtunity and thanked Superintendent Smith and the Board. She also thanked Rosylne for her help during this transition.

8. Communications

8.1 Bargaining Unit Reports:**Discussion:**

CFA Co-President Jan Kurtz thanked the Board for their efforts in such an extraordinary year and wanted them to know CFA is willing to help and support them. She reported they are hopeful tomorrow will be their last day of negotiations and they will be wrapping up for the next three years. Lastly she reported the ongoing negotiations are wearing on everyone.

8.2 School Site Council:**Discussion:**

Superintendent Smith reported they held their first meeting since November 2020 and went over everything happening to make sure everyone was up to date. He reported Camino and Camino Poly have combined into one Site Council. Lastly he reported he was hopeful all members will be able to attend the next meeting.

8.3 Parent Teacher Organization:**Discussion:**

PTO President Austin Barreno reported they distributed the Camino wear sweatshirts and masks. She reported they are excited to have the Apple Hill Harvest Run back and will be voting on it at their next meeting. She also

reported they did the Camino Card reward last Friday, giving out doughnuts to students who earned 25 Camino cards. Mrs. Barreno thanked Mrs. Rikalo for bringing the AR store back, the students were so excited. Lastly she reported the next PTO meeting will be next Wednesday March 17th at 4 p.m. by Zoom only.

8.4 DELAC:

Discussion:

Mrs. Botting reported Penny Smart talked about vaccination sites and they were able to vaccinate 1000 people over the past weekend. She also reported ELPAC is going well and they should be wrapped up by April 1st. Lastly Mrs. Cochran reported they held a community Kinder Readiness workshop on March 3rd.

8.5 Communications to the Board of Trustees:

Discussion:

There were no communications to the Board of Trustees.

8.6 Comments and Petitions from Guests:

Discussion:

There were no comments or petitions from the guests.

9. Presentations

9.1 The Support Team Mrs. Botting, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Gonzalez will present on the interventions taking place this year and over the summer.

Discussion:

Mrs. Botting, Mrs. Cochran and Mrs. Jones presented on interventions taking place this year. See attached presentation. Mrs. Cochran reported they will be inviting 90 students to the Intensive Summer School Intervention program for the month of June. She also reported they are hopeful to provide transportation and cafeteria services this year.

9.2 Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. Henslee will present on the Camino Polytechnic teacher input to date and planning for next year.

Discussion:

Mrs. Morgan reported with the shift to complete homeschool they are currently servicing 65 students between her and Mrs. Henslee. She also reported they will be participating in the Sage Map contest. She reported they are working closely with Mrs. Cochran and Mrs. Botting to help streamline their assessment process. Mrs. Morgan reported they are piloting new materials this year and next year. Lastly she reported 99% of the current homeschool kids plan on coming back next year and they currently have 10 people on the wait list for the 21/22 school year.

10. Business and Information

10.1 Action: Consider Approval of the 2020-21 Second Interim Budget Report

Motion:

It was moved to approve the 2020-21 Second Interim Budget Report.

Motion By: Judy Morris

Second By: Gene Wooden

Yeas: Pat Kernan, Robert Van Gilder, Mike Barreno, Judy Morris, Gene Wooden

Results: Motion Passed

Discussion:

Interim CFO T. Constancio presented the 2020-21 Second Interim Budget Report,

Files:

[20-21 2nd Interim Presentation- Camino rev..pdf](#)

10.2 Action: Consider Approval of Election of Representative to California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly

Motion:

It was moved to vote in favor of Suzanne George for Election of Representative to California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly.

Motion By: Gene Wooden

Second By: Pat Kernan

Yeas: Mike Barreno, Robert Van Gilder, Judy Morris, Gene Wooden, Pat Kernan

Results: Motion Passed

10.3 Information: Local Control and Accountability Plan

Discussion:

Superintendent Smith reported on the Local Control and Accountability Plan. See the attached presentation.

10.4 Discussion/Information: Facility Master Plan

Discussion:

Superintendent Smith reported we are receiving an infusion of one time funds and are hopeful we can update portables to house our support programs. He also reported with the ESSER funds to be used for health and safety reasons which would include upgrading all north facing original windows in all three wings and adding a frosted cover to help in lockdown situations. He also reported we will be able to look into improving our HVAC systems. Lastly Superintendent Smith reported the Black Top/Field Project was put together to be a community project.

10.5 Information: Health and Safety COVID-19

Discussion:

Superintendent Smith reported on the El Dorado County COVID-19 Dashboard. He reported we have moved to the red tier but that doesn't change the way we operate here at the school but does open up the community more. He reported every staff member that wanted the vaccine has had the opportunity to get it. Superintendent Smith thanked EDCOE for their efforts in coordinating the vaccine clinics. Lastly he stated we need to continue being cautious and follow the guidelines.

10.6 Discussion/Action: Current Hybrid Model

Discussion:

Superintendent Smith reported one year ago we shut down. He reported we started in August in D.L. with all intervention students coming to campus daily. In October we switched to hybrid and brought all students in on an AM/PM split. He reported parents had to take on such a huge roll and the challenges that came with it, your efforts are greatly appreciated. He reported at the February 9th Board meeting they made the decision to finish the 3rd trimester in Hybrid. He reported with the easing up on the 4ft spacing requirements, slowed rules for testing and adjusted rules on the vaccinations it made it possible to shift back to traditional. Superintendent Smith reported everyone believes we need to get back to traditional it is just when and how we can do it appropriately. Lastly he reported we will plan to start the fall in a traditional schedule whether they change the rules or not.

It was determined to stay with the current decision and finish the 3rd Trimester in hybrid as decided at the February 9th meeting.

10.7 Information: Statement of Economic Interest - Form 700

Discussion:

Superintendent Smith reminded the Board of Trustees their Statement of Economic Interest- Form 700 is due By April 1st.

10.8 Information: Investment Portfolio Report- Quarter ending December 31, 2020

11. Board Policy Review

11.1 FIRST READING

12. Consent Agenda

12.1 Approval of Minutes: February 9, 2021

12.2 Approval of Minutes: February 23, 2021

12.3 Approval of Warrant Orders:

12.4 Personnel:

12.5 Approval of Engagement Letter with Michelle Hanson, CPA for the 2020/21 audit services

12.6 Action: Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion By: Pat Kernan

Second By: Gene Wooden

Yeas: Robert Van Gilder, Mike Barreno, Judy Morris, Gene Wooden, Pat Kernan

Results: Motion Passed

13. Next Board Meetings

13.1 Special Board Meeting March 23, 2021 (if necessary)

13.2 Regular Board Meeting: April 13, 2021

13.3 Special Board Meeting: April 27, 2021 (if necessary)

13.4 Regular Board Meeting: May 11, 2021

13.5 Special Board Meeting: May 25, 2021 (if necessary)

14. Adjournment of the Regular Meeting

14.1 Adjournment:

Discussion:

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. back to closed session.

The meeting reconvened at 9:15 p.m. and there was no action taken.

The meeting adjourned 9:15 p.m..