

Camino Union School District

Minutes

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, May 12, 2026



Regular Meeting

Camino School, Room B, 3060 Snows Road, Camino CA 95709 also via Zoom

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

05:30 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: Nathan Ferris
Justin Hewitt
Pat Kernan
Deborah Lyster
Andrew MacLean

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 5:30 pm.

3. Public Comments on Closed Session

3.1 Public Comments:

Discussion:

No comments were shared.

4. Adjourn to Closed Session

The Board may adjourn to closed session to discuss matters of personnel, security, negotiations, student discipline, litigation, or other matters as authorized by Government Code Sections 3549.1, 54956.9, 54956.8, 54957, and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918.

4.1 Superintendent Goals

4.2 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (G.C. 54957)

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

4.4 Student Discipline (G.C. 54962, California Education Code Section 35146)

5. Reconvene Regular Meeting

5.1 Pledge of Allegiance:

Discussion:

The meeting reconvened at 6:37 pm. The Board President, Justin Hewitt, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. Meeting Management

6.1 Staff Members in Attendance:

Discussion:

Dusty Botting, Sarah Skidmore, Katie Gust, Alice Bresnan
via Zoom: Cora Dillard

6.2 Board Member Roll Call:

Discussion:

All Board Members were present.

6.3 Others Present (signed in):**Discussion:**

via Zoom: Holly Thane, Adrienne Bitondo

6.4 Approval of Agenda:**Motion:**

It was moved to approve the agenda.

Motion By: Nathan Ferris

Second By: Deborah Lyster

Yeas: Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster, Justin Hewitt, Andrew MacLean , Pat Kernan

Results: Motion Passed

6.5 Disclosure of action, if any, taken in closed session**Discussion:**

Board President Hewitt shared that no action was taken during the closed session.

7. Updates

7.1 Student Report**Discussion:**

Superintendent/Principal Matthew Barnes shared that the student report will be held tomorrow at Spring House.

7.2 Board Members Updates:**Discussion:**

Board President Hewitt reported no updates and noted he has been focused on work.

Trustee Ferris shared a highlight that the field was opened for play, noting a student-versus-faculty/parent game in which the faculty won 7–5. He also reported that the team placed second in the county tournament.

Trustee Kernan reported attending a Union Mine dance event and noted that Dusty Botting's daughter was one of

the featured performers.

Trustee Lyster shared that Math and Muffins was a fun event and noted seeing Andrew there. She also expressed excitement for the upcoming Living History event and getting to dress up for it.

Trustee Maclean reported speaking with the 5th grade class and attending a Monday EDCSBA dinner meeting with Trustee Ferris.

7.3 Assistance League Updates:

Discussion:

Dusty Botting shared that there wasn't a formal update from the Assistance League. She noted that there is an upcoming dance and that 8th-grade students were working with kindergarten students on a Spring House performance.

7.4 EDCSBA Representative Updates:

Discussion:

There were no EDCSBA Updates.

7.5 Superintendent-Principal Updates:

Discussion:

The Superintendent-Principal shared that the end of the school year is in full swing, with Appreciation Week activities, excitement for the Spring House event, ongoing field trips, and 8th grade celebratory events.

7.6 Administrative Updates:

Discussion:

No update from Assistant Principal Sabbagh.

CFO Breann Grissom had no updates to share.

8. Communications

8.1 Bargaining Unit Reports:

Discussion:

There were no updates from CFA.

CSEA President Annika Nelson reported that the first round of negotiations had been completed. She expressed appreciation for Breann Grissom's participation and noted the camaraderie among participants during negotiations.

8.2 Parent Teacher Organization:

Discussion:

Superintendent Barnes shared that the PTO would play a large role in Spring House Festivities.

8.3 DELAC:

Discussion:

Dusty Botting shared the upcoming reclassification ceremony to be held at Spring House the following day. She also inquired whether Chromebooks that are no longer in use could be sold to students at a reduced price, or recycled for student use.

8.4 Communication to the Board of Trustees:

Discussion:

Superintendent Barnes shared the Second Interim agreement Letter from El Dorado County Office of Education concurring with the qualified certification.

8.5 Comments and Petitions from Guests:

Discussion:

Sarah Skidmore expressed concerns about the loss of a reading specialist, the impact on intervention progress, and the proposed 4th/5th grade combination class.

Alice Bresnan acknowledged reading specialist Katie Gust and noted the significant loss her departure will represent. She also recognized Katie's selection by the California Department of Education to serve in a leadership role in the state's ELA curriculum adoption process, highlighting her expertise and contributions.

Holly Thane shared concerns about a potential 4th/5th-grade combination class and the challenges of meeting the needs of all students.

9. BUDGET - FISCAL

9.1 Action: Approval of Date & Time of Public Hearing of the 2026–2027 LCAP & District Budget

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Date & Time of Public Hearing of the 2026–2027 LCAP & District Budget.

Motion By: Pat Kernan

Second By: Nathan Ferris

Yeas: Andrew MacLean , Justin Hewitt, Pat Kernan, Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster

Results: Motion Passed

9.2 Action: Approval of Date & Time for the Adoption of the 2026–2027 LCAP & District Budget

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Date & Time for the Adoption of the 2026–2027 LCAP & District Budget.

Motion By: Deborah Lyster

Second By: Nathan Ferris

Yeas: Pat Kernan, Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster, Justin Hewitt, Andrew MacLean

Results: Motion Passed

10. Business and Information

10.1 Action: Consider the Approval of the 2026-2027 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

Motion:

It was moved to approve the 2026-2027 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.

Motion By: Andrew MacLean

Second By: Nathan Ferris

Yeas: Pat Kernan, Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster, Justin Hewitt, Andrew MacLean

Results: Motion Passed

10.2 Action: Consider Approval of the Request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions Form J-13A - Camino Elementary

Motion:

It was moved to approve the request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions Form J-13A - Camino Elementary

Motion By: Pat Kernan

Second By: Nathan Ferris

Yeas: Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster, Andrew MacLean , Justin Hewitt, Pat Kernan

Results: Motion Passed

10.3 Action: Consider Approval of the Request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions Form J-13A - Camino Polytechnic

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions Form J-13A - Camino Polytechnic.

Motion By: Pat Kernan

Second By: Nathan Ferris

Yeas: Justin Hewitt, Andrew MacLean , Pat Kernan, Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster

Results: Motion Passed

10.4 Information: Investment Portfolio Report- Quarter ending March 31, 2026

Discussion:

Superintendent Barnes introduced the Investment Portfolio Report for the Quarter ending March 31, 2026.

10.5 Action: Consider Approval of Resolution 25/26-08, Declaring an Election be Held in its Jurisdiction & Consolidation with Other Districts Requesting Election Services

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Resolution 25/26-08, Declaring an Election be Held in its Jurisdiction & Consolidation with Other Districts Requesting Election Services.

Motion By: Deborah Lyster

Second By: Nathan Ferris

Yeas: Pat Kernan, Deborah Lyster, Nathan Ferris, Justin Hewitt, Andrew MacLean

Results: Motion Passed

10.6 Action: Consider Approval of Resolution 25/26-09 , Volunteer Appreciation Day

Motion:

It was moved to approve Resolution 25/26-09, Volunteer Appreciation Day.

Motion By: Nathan Ferris

Second By: Deborah Lyster

Yeas: Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster, Justin Hewitt, Andrew MacLean , Pat Kernan

Results: Motion Passed

10.7 Action: Consider Approval of Resolution 25/26 -10 , School Employees Appreciation Week

Motion:

It was moved to approve Resolution 25/26 -10 , School Employees Appreciation Week.

Motion By: Nathan Ferris

Second By: Deborah Lyster

Yeas: Justin Hewitt, Andrew MacLean , Pat Kernan, Deborah Lyster, Nathan Ferris

Results: Motion Passed

10.8 Action Item: Establishment of a District Communications Subcommittee

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Establishment of a District Communications Subcommittee.

Motion By: Deborah Lyster

Second By: Justin Hewitt

Yeas: Pat Kernan, Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster, Andrew MacLean , Justin Hewitt

Results: Motion Passed

11. Consent Agenda

11.1 Consider Approval of Minutes

11.2 Personnel:

11.3 Consider Approval of Warrant Orders

11.4 Consider Approval of Quarterly Williams Uniform Complaints Report

11.5 Consider Permission to Dispose of Obsolete/Unusable Furniture, Equipment and Textbooks

11.6 Consider Approval of Curriculum Associates i-Ready and Classroom Mathematics California - Quotes

11.7 Action: Approval of all Consent Agenda Items

Motion:

It was moved to approve the remainder of Consent Agenda Items.

Motion By: Pat Kernan

Second By: Nathan Ferris

Yeas: Pat Kernan, Nathan Ferris, Deborah Lyster, Andrew MacLean , Justin Hewitt

Results: Motion Passed

Discussion:

The Leaves of Absence for both Certificated and Classified Management employees were requested to be removed from the Consent Agenda and brought back for consideration at the next meeting.

12. Next Board Meetings

12.1 Regular Board Meeting: June 16, 2026 Budget/LCAP Public Hearings

12.2 Regular Board Meeting: June 18, 2026 Budget/LCAP Adoption

12.3 Regular Board Meeting: August 11, 2026

12.4 Regular Board Meeting: September 8, 2026

13. Adjourn Meeting

13.1 Adjournment:

Discussion:

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.