OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

Mother Lode Union Elementary • Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Date & Time: October 14, 2026 @ 4:00 PM

Location: Mother Lode Union School District - MERC Center

Call to Order: 4:00 PM

Adjournment: 5:57 PM (1 hr 57 mins)

1. 4:00 PM - CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Board President Will Call the Meeting to Order — INFO ONLY

Notes: The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.

1.2 Roll Call — INFO ONLY

Notes: Trustees Skjelbred, Baker, Hartshorn, Cahill, and Wilson were present.

1.3 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Item(s) — INFO ONLY

Notes: No public comment.

2. CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

2.1 Closed Session Agenda — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

2.2 Student Matters: — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

2.3 Employer Employee Relations: — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

2.4 Conference with Legal Counsel - Litigation: — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

2.5 Conference with Real Property Negotiators: — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

2.6 Personnel Matters: — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

3. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

3.1 Board to Reconvene to Open Session — INFO ONLY

Notes: Open session was reconvened at 5:15pm.

3.2 Pledge of Allegiance — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

3.3 Roll Call — INFO ONLY

Notes: Trustee Skjelbred, Baker, Hartshorn, Cahill, and Wilson were present. Also present was Superintendent Larry Mahoney and CBO Marti Zizek.

3.4 Disclosure of Action taken, if any, in Closed Session — INFO ONLY

Notes: The board approved the hiring of three classified and two certificated staff members.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

4.1 Public Comment — INFO ONLY

Notes: No public comment was made.

5. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

5.1 Information: Student Representatives — INFO ONLY

Notes: Representatives from Indian Creek and Herbert Green spoke to the board.

5.2 Information: MLTA Representative — INFO ONLY

Notes: MLTA Co-President Janet Hensley spoke to the board.

5.3 Information: CSEA Representative — INFO ONLY

Notes: A CSEA representative did not address the board.

5.4 Information: Superintendent Larry Mahoney — INFO ONLY

Notes: Superintendent Mahoney spoke to the board about legislative updates and school activities.

5.5 Information: Board of Trustees — INFO ONLY

Notes: Trustees Skjelbred, Baker, Hartshorn, Cahill, and Wilson shared information about school visits.

6. CONSENT ITEMS - ACTION ITEMS

6.1 ACTION: Superintendent Requests Approval of Consent Items 6.2 - 6.3 — INFO ONLY

Notes: A motion was duly made by Trustee Cahill and seconded by Trustee Baker. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) 'Ayes' and zero (0) 'Nays'. The motion carried.

6.2 Warrants — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

6.3 Draft Board Meeting Minutes from 9/9/26 — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

6.4 GASB 75 OPEB Actuarial (7.01.25-6.30.26) — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

6.5 Gold Oak Nutrition Services Contract — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

6.6 ECDOE Food Services Contract — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

6.7 Surplus Items — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

6.8 Master Contract - Special Education — INFO ONLY

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Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

7. INSTRUCTION

7.1 Information: Principals' Reports — INFO ONLY

Notes: Reports from Principals Shannon Schmidt, Carmen Glaister, and Larry Mahoney were formally delivered.

7.2 Enrollment Summary — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

7.3 Class Size Summary — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

8. FINANCE/FACILITIES

9. HUMAN RESOURCES/COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

9.1 ACTION: Superintendent Requests Approval of Board Policy 4127 (Temporary Athletic Team Coaches) — INFO ONLY

Notes: A motion was made by Board Member Hartshorn and seconded by Board Member Cahill. The motion carried with five affirmative votes.

9.2 Action: Approval of Submission of an Application to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing for a Provisional Internship Permit for the 2026-2027 School Year — INFO ONLY

Notes: A motion was presented by Trustee Baker and seconded by Trustee Hartshorn. The motion carried with five (5) affirmative votes.

10. GOVERNANCE TEAM ISSUES SESSION

10.1 The Next Regular Board Meeting Will be Held on November 18th, 2026, at 4:00 pm (Closed) and 5:15 pm (Open) at the District Office (MERC Center) — INFO ONLY

Notes: Recorded for the official record — No formal motion required.

11. ADJOURNMENT

11.1 Meeting Adjourned

INFO ONLY

Notes: The meeting was formally adjourned at 5:57 PM.

OFFICIAL BOARD CERTIFICATION

These minutes were officially reviewed, approved, and ratified by the Board of Directors on **October 14, 2026**.



Cathy Wilson
PRESIDENT