Pioneer Union School District

Minutes

February 12, 2026 - Regular Board Meeting

Regular Meeting

Room E-3 of Mountain Creek Middle School, 6862 Mt Aukum Road, Somerset, CA 95684

Thursday, February 12, 2026

05:30 PM

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Details

Board Members:

Nathaniel Houston
Cory Morrison
Patricia Ciampa
Courtney Clendenin
Kyle Baker

1. Call to Order

1.1 Meeting Access

Statement:

1.2 Call the meeting to order:

Discussion:

The meeting was called to order by President Ciampa at 5:34 pm.

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance:

2. Roll Call

2.1 Roll Call:

Discussion:

President Ciampa, Vice President Morrison, Clerk Clendenin, and Member Baker were present.

2.2 Staff Members present:

Discussion:

Mim Legate, Kathy Kaher, Melissa Witcher, Miriam Bolster, Amanda Wenig, Courtney Moody (online), Erika Molinari (online), Patrick Paturel and Sarah Fike (Recording Secretary) were present.

3. Public Comments/Requests

3.1 Public Comments/Requests:

Discussion:

The Board heard public statements from two community members, Geni Pillow and Amanda Tavita.

4. Meeting Management

4.1 Approval of Agenda

Motion:

It was moved to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion By: Courtney Clendenin
Second By: Kyle Baker
Yeas: Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker, Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed
Discussion:

President Ciampa asked to move part of Section 5.1 up to follow Section 3.1. This was to allow the students that were making presentations to do so earlier in the meeting, so that they would be able to attend another activity.

5. Reports/Acknowledgements

5.1 Board Members' Reports:

Discussion:

Member Baker reported on the EDCSBA meeting he attended on January 26.

Clerk Clendenin reported on scheduling a meeting with Chris Reef about the funding to rebuild Walt Tyler.

Files:

Board Report EDCSBA 2.12.26.pdf

5.2 Correspondence Received by the Board:

Discussion:

President Ciampa reviewed the letters received by the Board. Three from community members and the First Interim Budget Review from EDCOE.

Files:

25-26 1st Interim Letter - Pioneer.pdf

25-26 1st Interim Letter - Pioneer.pdf

5.3 Superintendent Report:

Discussion:

Superintendent Paturel introduced new CBO, Mike Henkel, and Interim CBO, Julie Rasmussen.

Mr. Paturel reported on a meeting me and Kelly Howard attended with Assembly Member Hadwick in regard too funding for Walt Tyler. Ms. Hadwick offered advice and guidance.

Enrollment is holding steady.

Files:

Enrollment 2.26.pdf

5.4 Principal Report:

Discussion:

Principal Paturel spoke about the Valentine's Dance and the last girls' basketball games that took place that night.

Mr. Paturel also told the Board about the Read Bowl event that was taking place at Pioneer Elementary. Run by Melanie Schader. She created a football field on the wall in the cafeteria. Reading minutes are tracked by class. 182,261 minutes was the total read by our kids.

The entire elementary school went to Harris Center to see the Jungle Book. Teachers said it was and that it went great. Funded by a grant.

5.5 LCAP Report:

Discussion:

Superintendent Paturel presented the Mid-Year LCAP Monitoring Report.

Files:

2026_LCAP_Mid-Year_Report_for_the_2025-26_LCAP_Pioneer_Union_Elementary_School_District_20260209.pdf

5.6 Budget Report:

Statement:

5.7 Maintenance and Operations Report:

Discussion:

Mr. Paturel reported on the successful replacement of the heater in Mountain Creek B1.

Mr. Paturel reported that there will soon be a sit-down meeting with the OPSC regarding the Walt Tyler project. He is feeling optimistic. There was some coverage from both the Mountain Democrat and CBS 13 about the project. The State Allocation Board grant is pulled back if the project isn't under construction by April 1.

5.8 Transportation Report:

Statement:

5.9 Reports from Employee Group representatives:

Statement:

5.10 Other Reports:

Discussion:

Courtney Clendenin for PMC - Upcoming fundraiser on March 14, Spring into Music. Will include food, music, raffle. Tickets on sale on the PTO website.

Tricia Ciampa for PTO - Candygram sales and distribution are under way. April 8 is STEM Night. Sports Boosters are working on funds for new nets, balls, goals and uniforms. Current fundraiser at the Dinner Station. They are selling flowers Friday and Saturday.

6. Business and Information Items

6.1 Action: Consider Approval of the Draft 2026.2027 Calendar

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Draft Calendar for 2026-2027.

Motion By: Kyle Baker
Second By: Courtney Clendenin
Yeas: Kyle Baker, Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin, Cory Morrison
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:
Draft Calendar 2026-2027.pdf

6.2 Action: Consider Approval of the Tentative Agreement with the Certificated Group

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Certificated Group.

Motion By: Kyle Baker
Second By: Courtney Clendenin
Yeas: Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin, Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:
Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Template 12-2025 Certificated revised.xlsx

Tentative Agreement Certificated 1.2026.pdf

6.3 Action: Consider Approval of the Tentative Agreement with the Classified Group

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Classified Group.

Motion By: Kyle Baker
Second By: Cory Morrison
Yeas: Courtney Clendenin, Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker, Patricia Ciampa
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:
Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Template 12-2025 Classified.xlsx

Tentative Agreement CSEA 1.2026.pdf

6.4 Action: Consider Approval of the Tentative Agreement with the Classified Management Group

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Classified Management group.

Motion By: Cory Morrison
Second By: Kyle Baker
Yeas: Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker, Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:

Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Template 12-2025 Classified Management.xlsx

Tentative Agreement Classified Management 1.2026.pdf

6.5 Action: Consider Approval of the Tentative Agreement with the Classified Confidential Group

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Classified Confidential group.

Motion By: Courtney Clendenin
Second By: Cory Morrison
Yeas: Kyle Baker, Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin, Cory Morrison
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:

Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Template 12-2025 Confidential.xlsx

Tentative Agreement Confidential 1.2026.pdf

6.6 Action: Consider Approval of the Draft Salary Schedules

Motion:

It was moved to approve the draft salary schedules.

Motion By: Courtney Clendenin
Second By: Kyle Baker
Yeas: Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin, Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:

Certificated.pdf

Classified - IA and Bilingual IA.pdf

Classified - IA Special Education.pdf

Classified - Preschool Instructor.pdf

Classified Confidential.pdf

Classified Management.pdf

Classified.pdf

6.7 Action: Consider Approval of Changes to Meeting Dates

Motion:

It was moved to approve the changes to meeting dates.

Motion By: Kyle Baker
Second By: Courtney Clendenin
Yeas: Courtney Clendenin, Kyle Baker, Cory Morrison , Patricia Ciampa
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

6.8 Information: 2025.2026 Seniority Lists

Discussion:

Files:
25.26 Cassified Seniority List.pdf

25.26 Certificated Seniority List.pdf

6.9 Action: Consider Approval of Resolution 25/26-06, Designation of Applicant's Agent for Non-State Agencies

Motion:

It was moved to approve Resolution 25/26-06, Designation of Applicant's Agent for Non-State Agencies.

Motion By: Cory Morrison
Second By: Kyle Baker
Yeas: Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker, Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:
2026.Cal OES 130 - Designation of Authorized Agents.pdf

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

Motion:

It was moved to approve the vote for Misty diVittorio as the candidate for CSBA Delegate Assembly Representative.

Motion By: Kyle Baker
Second By: Courtney Clendenin
Yeas: Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin, Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:
CSBA Delegate Ballot.pdf

7. Policies and Administrative Regulations

7.1 Approve Proposed New or Revised Board Policies / Administrative Regulations or Board Bylaws

Motion:

It was moved to approve the new or revised Board Policies, Administrative Regulations or Board Bylaws.

Motion By: Kyle Baker
Second By: Courtney Clendenin
Yeas: Patricia Ciampa , Courtney Clendenin, Kyle Baker, Cory Morrison
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

Files:
CSBA Policy Updates Full Text 1.2026.pdf

8. Consent Agenda

8.1 Approval of Minutes: January 8, 2026

Discussion:

Files:
Minutes 1.8.26.pdf

8.2 Approval of Warrants:

Discussion:

Files:
Batches 028-030.pdf

8.3 Personnel:

Statement:

8.4 Approval of the 2025.2026 Winter Consolidated Application

Discussion:

Files:

SchlStuCnts.pdf

TitleIPartASchoolAllocations.pdf

TI_PtASWPAuth.pdf

ESEAConsolidationofAdministrativeFunds.pdf

TIV_PtA_LEA_ClsOut.pdf

TIV_PtA_LEA_UseFnds.pdf

8.5 Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Motion:

It was moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion By: Courtney Clendenin
Second By: Kyle Baker
Yeas: Courtney Clendenin, Cory Morrison , Kyle Baker, Patricia Ciampa
Absent: Nathaniel Houston
Results: Motion Passed

9. Next Board Meetings

9.1 Meeting Dates:

Discussion:

10. Public Comments on Closed Session

10.1 Public Comments/Requests:

Discussion:

There were no comments on Closed Session.

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 7:24 pm.

11. Adjourn to Closed Session

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

11.2 Litigation

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

11.4 Education Codes, 48918(c)

11.5 Superintendent Evaluation

12. Reconvene Regular Meeting

12.1 Meeting Reconvened:

Discussion:

The meeting was reconvened at 9:11 pm.

12.2 Disclosure of any action, taken in closed session:

Statement:

13. Adjournment of the Regular Meeting

13.1 Adjournment:

Discussion:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.