

ORANGE CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

3530 South Cherry Avenue

Fresno, CA 93706

Board of Education Meeting

UNADOPTED MINUTES

August 13th, 2025

6:00 p.m. – In the School Library

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 The regular session of the Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., by the Board President Melinda Moralez. The flag salute was led by Melinda Moralez.

1.2 Board Members Present:

Panfilo Cerrillo
Rosa DePew
Melinda Moralez
Ernestine Gonzalez

Absent
Veronica Salazar

2.0 INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

- 1) Kris Ingrao
- 2) Mayra Sanchez
- 3) Alexis Marquez
- 4) Ruby Marquez

3.0 AGENDA

3.1 Approval of the August 13th, 2025, Board of Education Meeting Agenda.
MSC (DePew, Gonzalez).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

4.0 MINUTES

4.1 Approval of July 9th, 2025, Board of Education Meeting Minutes, as presented.
MSC (Moralez, DePew).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

5.0 PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 5.1 An opportunity for the public to address the Board on matters related to school District business that is not on the agenda. Although item(s) may be discussed, no action may be taken on the item(s). Please see the *Welcome!* Pamphlet for additional information.

6.0 OLD BUSINESS

NONE AT THIS TIME

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 7.1 Approval of the MOU between Teocalli Cultural Academy and Orange Center School District. The Teocalli Cultural Academy will provide a Folklorico dance program, contract term effective August 20th, 2025, through May 28th, 2026. MSC (Moralez, DePew).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7.2 Approval of the agreement between Play Marimba and Orange Center School District. Play Marimba will provide services K-8th for the 2025-2026 school year. MSC (DePew, Cerrillo).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7.3 Approval of the agreement between Fresno County Superintendent of Schools and Orange Center School District for the Fresno County Early Stars Program, contract term effective July 1st, 2025, through June 30th, 2027. MSC (Gonzalez, Cerrillo).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7.4 Approval of Resolution 1-2025-08-13 In the Matter of Permanent Fund Transfers for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. MSC (Moralez, DePew).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7.5 Approval of Resolution 2-2025-08-13 In the Matter of Permanent Fund Transfers for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. MSC (Moralez, DePew).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7.6 Approval of Resolution 3-2025-08-13 In the Matter of Permanent Fund Transfers for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. MSC (Cerrillo, Gonzalez).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

- 7.7 Approval of Resolution 4-2025-08-13 In the Matter of Permanent Fund Transfers for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.
MSC (DePew, Gonzalez).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7.8 Approval of Resolution 5-2025-08-13 In the Matter of Permanent Fund Transfers for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.
MSC (Moralez, DePew).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0
- 7.9 Approval of Resolution No. 25-07-09 Re: Orange Center School District Board of Trustees Member Compensation for Missed Meeting.
MSC (DePew, Moralez).
Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

- 8.1 Modernization update- Kris Ingrao shared that the front drive is completely finished. Everything was striped during the week. New fencing is going up. The gates are not in, possibly in one week or two. All closed for decorative fencing. The landscaping is two days in. The plants will be in tomorrow. All across the front, there will be several miniature olive trees. We put a planter by the Wellness Center and two large trees near Marquee. We have drought resistant landscaping and some gravel will be included. We have two big parking lot lights that were installed. We have half of the power to the Cafeteria building. The kitchen has 98% of its appliances. The ovens and ice maker are wired; lights are in and working. The deadline for the kitchen will be met by Monday or Tuesday after inspections (fire, health). A/C will be fired up tomorrow. We had a plumbing issue. Once the A/C is running, we can focus on the Cafeteria. When the temperature drops, plastic sheeting will go in for easy to wipe down for the walls. Flooring will be done by Friday. We will be able to get people in by Back to School Night. We still need to get curtains for the stage. The sound system, projector screen and the freezer will be here mid September. We will fire up the walk-in refrigerator on Sunday and can use the walk-in freezer. The ornamental gate is going up and we will have a walkway to preschool. All spots where cement was broken are now re-seeded. We have samples of the OC sign, one has acrylic finish and is raised off of the wall with a border behind the logo. The second option is no background, only logo off the wall without any trim. Mr. Cerrillo suggested a powdered coating finish.

9.0 PUPIL PERSONNEL

NONE AT THIS TIME

10.0 PERSONNEL

NONE AT THIS TIME

11.0 WARRANTS

11.1 The July 31st, 2025, regular payroll, and all maintenance cycles were approved, as presented.

MSC (DePew, Moralez).

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

12.0 REPORT OF THE BOARD MEMBERS

Melinda Moralez mentioned that her students sent back a full lunch pale because they had Subway for lunch. Panfilo Cerrillo shared that there was an annexation meeting on Monday and letters were sent to City Council. The City Council will vote on annexation tomorrow at 9:20 am. At the Monday meeting, two ladies joined from Las Planchas. He will meet out there at 8:30 am, the vote will take place at 9:20 am. Hopefully, City Council will vote against the annexation.

13.0 REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

- Leadership Council Meeting -Monday, 8/11 the meeting held 30 people in opposition to the project. Questions were asked and we were given seemingly or misleading answers. The company did not know the information to some of the questions and did not provide a map. There was no interpreter, so, I stepped in to interpret. This project is not welcome and there was a full room supporting this. The Superintendent had an impromptu meeting with the mayor over zoom about this project. A statement was provided to CBS47 that we as a district do not support this project. We are waiting on a traffic study and environmental reports. It has been reported by Crowne real estate representatives that the City of Fresno told Central Trucking company that this is a great area for the project. The City of Fresno Council meeting will take place tomorrow, the Superintendent will be in attendance for the vote. I have submitted my letter to City Council.
- ASP - 30 students on waitlist, ASP/ELOP grant decreased; site lead position is now a 6 hr position. The reduction in staff includes: decrease in Site Lead hours, decrease in one tutor and one door monitor position.
- First day of school -went smoothly, kids worked hard and everyone was where they needed to be. Kinder has a 1:10 ratio, we would like to reduce the waitlist. We do not have a VP this year, the work load is disseminated well. Ms. Langley orders curriculum, Mrs. Bloodgood and Miss Cortes are working proactively to decrease attendance concerns. The Superintendent has absorbed class scheduling and all district matters.
- Back to School Night (8/21/2025)
- Unofficial program data:
TK-8th -251 Preschool - 4 ASP - 127

14.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 14.1 The next regular session of the Board of Education Meeting will convene on Wednesday, September 10th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

- 15.1 The regular session of the Board of Education Meeting, was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.
MSC (Cerrillo, DePew).

Ernestine Gonzalez, Board Clerk