

BIG OAK FLAT-GROVELAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board
Wednesday, September 10, 2025
Tenaya Elementary School, Room 24
19177 State Hwy 120, Groveland, CA 95321

5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum at 4:59 p.m.

C. Hochhaus M. Coppock, J. Ahlswede, , D. Dougherty and L. Reynolds in attendance

2. Approval of Presented Agenda

Motion to approve agenda as amended by L. Reynolds, 2nd by J. Ahlswede

Vote: Yes 5/No 0/Absent 0

3. Adjournment to Closed Session at 5:00 p.m.

- a. Personnel
 - 2025-2026-03 – resignation
 - 2025-2026-06 – employ
- b. Public Employment Government Code 54957
Title: Superintendent

4. Reconvene to Open Session at 6:06 p.m.

Motion to approve 25.26.03,06 – 06 contingent upon fingerprint and pre-employment physical clearance by C. Hochhaus, 2nd by J. Ahlswede

Vote: Yes 5/No 0/Absent 0

5. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Rob Abbott

6. Presentation(s):

7. Public Comment and Communication

At this time, the public may comment on any item of interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Though the Board generally will not respond, we want you to understand that we are listening carefully. However, in compliance with board policy and the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board is not permitted to take action on non-agenda items. If appropriate, consistent with board policy, the board may direct the Superintendent to schedule an item for a future board agenda.

- Shannon Abbott – supplied information regarding her UCP Complaint as to status of Tioga mainly but commented on all sites. Referred to SARC FIT info and that it is contradictory to actual status of sites.
- M. Higgins – supplied info on CSBA Conference in December, updates from TCSOS Board Meeting

8. Information Items (Please limit report to 10 minutes)

- Tenaya Elementary Report by A. Schmid, principal –report submitted
- Tioga High School Report by J. McFarland, principal/Supt – report submitted
- Don Pedro High Report by N. Lamm, Principal – report submitted
- Union Communication – Report by Union Representative(s)
- District Report by J. McFarland - update on current District projects (report submitted)
- Board Communication –
 - L. Reynolds – Back to School Nite really nice
 - D. Dougherty: Back to School nite, transition with admin, good to see staff and parents in the house

9. Public Hearing opened at 6:48 p.m.

Williams Act: Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials

With staff in the house, the Board was informed that there is no curriculum at this time and that staff is having to copy info from last year's consumables. Conversations ensued.

Public Hearing closed at 7:08 p.m.

****Board took a 5 minute recess to restart computer for Zoom portion: Communication issues**

10. Action Item

a. Approval of District's Unaudited Actuals, 24.25 Fiscal Year

Motion to approve Unaudited Actuals and EPA by C. Hochhaus, 2nd by M. Coppock

Vote: Yes 5/No 0/Absent 0

b. Approval of Resolution 2025.2026.02 Williams Act: Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Motion to approve by L. Reynolds, 2nd by C. Hochhaus

Vote: Yes 0/No 5/Absent 0

c. Approval of Resolution 2025.2026.03 Gann Limit

Motion to approve by C. Hochhaus, 2nd by J. Ahlswede

Vote: Yes 5/No 0/Absent 0

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d. **Approval of Proposition 28: Arts & Music in Schools Annual Report**

Motion to approve by L. Reynolds, 2nd by C. Hochhaus

Vote: Yes 5/No 0/Absent 0

e. ~~Approval of Job Descriptions:~~ Tabled until October, corrections and further review

• ~~CTE Coordinator~~

• ~~Admin Asst Supt~~

11. Discussion/Action Items

a. **Cell Phone Pockets**

Supt McFarland stated that information has been provided to students& parents/guardians as to status of cell phones at school citing information from State of California and possible upcoming school cell phone ban for 26.27. THS did not get a lot of resistance. DPHS Principal N. Lamm stated she had conversations with parents during registration and will again at back to school night. She is not getting a lot of resistance either. Supt McFarland stated at this time that he does not believe that the cases will be necessary.

12 Policy/Regulations

a. **First Reading (no action)**

- BP XXXX –Student Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)
- BP XXXX – Employee Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)

b. **Second Reading (action required)**

- ~~Cell Phone Policy~~—There is a lot of conversation still happening on topic, Board requested that this be a monthly informational item until progress is made and comfort levels are met as to a policy that will work for entire District. Possible umbrella type policy.

13 Curriculum

a. **Curriculum (1st Reading)**

b. **Curriculum –2nd Reading & adoption.**

- Edmentum – DPHS

Motion to approve by C. Hochhaus, 2nd by L. Reynolds

Vote: Yes 5/No 0/Absent 0

14 Consent Agenda

- Minutes for the Regular Meeting August 13, 2025
- Payroll Warrants for August 2025
- Commercial Warrants for August 2025
- Helping Hands RFA
- THS Drama 10/01/25 – SRT Sonora, Of Mice & Men

Motion to approve by M. Coppock, 2nd by C. Hochhaus

Vote: Yes 5/No 0/Absent 0

15 ~~Adjournment to Closed Session~~

16 **Adjournment at 8:08 p.m.**

With no further business to attend to, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Approved and Ordered into the proceedings of the Big Oak Flat-Groveland Unified School District

Secretary of the Governing Board

Clerk of the Governing Board