

BALLARD SCHOOL DISTRICT

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA Wednesday, August 19, 2026 4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. Special Meeting – Monday, June 15, 2026
 - a. Regular Meeting – Thursday, June 18, 2026

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Open Forum: Items Not Included on the Agenda:

The public may address the board on any matter pertaining to the school district that is not on the agenda. Unless otherwise determined by the board, each person is limited to 3 minutes per item. If you wish to speak during the Open Forum, please obtain a card that is on the table along with the agenda; fill the card out completely and give it and any supporting materials (e.g. copies of your remarks, charts or graphs, copies of articles or reports) to the administrative assistant or superintendent/principal. Please turn your card in prior to the beginning of the Open Forum. Your card and materials will be presented to the President of the Board, who will call upon you during the Open Forum. Board members are legally prohibited from discussing non-agenda items and, therefore, will not respond to items presented in the Open Forum. The board encourages the public to be mindful of, and exercise discretion when making comments about individual students. If you cannot attend the meeting in person, but wish to have your comments read aloud to the Board, they may be submitted to Pam Rennick by 12:00PM on the date of the meeting. The written comments will be subject to the same time limitations.

Items Included on the Agenda:

The board encourages your participation in its deliberations and has tried to make it convenient for you to express your views to the board. If you wish to address the board on an agenda item, please obtain a card that is on the table along with the agenda; fill the card out completely and give it and any supporting materials (e.g. copies of your remarks, charts or graphs, copies of articles or reports) to the administrative assistant or superintendent/principal. Please turn your card in prior to the presentation of the item you wish to address. Your card and materials will be presented to the President of the Board, who will call upon you at the appropriate time during the discussion of that agenda item.

At regular meetings, the board will follow this format for major agenda items:

- staff presentation
- preliminary board and staff discussion
- community participation
- board deliberation and decision, if appropriate

During study sessions and special meetings, this format may vary.

Board agendas are very full and time is limited. For that reason, we request that you speak only once on an item and that you limit your remarks either when addressing an agenda item or when speaking in the Open Forum to a maximum of three minutes. If numerous individuals request to speak on a particular item or in the Open Forum, the President of the Board may limit the total time allocated to that item, thereby reducing the time for each speaker. A citizen may request to place an item on the board agenda by submitting a written request and supporting information to the superintendent/principal ten days prior to the regularly scheduled meeting. The superintendent/principal, in consultation with the President of the Board, will determine at which upcoming regular board meeting the item will be scheduled. The person who requested the item will be allowed five minutes at the meeting to present

the information to the board. Following this presentation, the board may address the issue, put the issue on a future agenda for more discussion and action, refer the issue to the administration for follow-up, or take no action.

6. INFORMATION SECTION

a. Calendar

(*Indicates off campus events that the Superintendent/Principal is scheduled to attend.)

- Mon./Tues. 8/10 & 8/11 Staff Meeting and Teacher Workdays
- Wed. 8/12 First Day of School!
- Wed. 8/12 Back to School Coffee PTA
- Tues. 8/18 *Valley Superintendent's Meeting
- Wed. 8/19 School Board Meeting
- Thurs. 8/27 Back to School Night Grades 1-6
- Wed. 9/2 PTA General Association Meeting
- Mon. 9/7 Labor Day Holiday – No School
- Tues. 9/11 Superintendents' Meeting
- Wed. 9/16 School Board Meeting

b. Board Members' Comments & Correspondence

c. PTA Report

d. Superintendent's Report

- School Start
- 2026/2027 School Enrollment
- Specialist Updates
- Schools for Sound Finance Reports
Week Ending: 7/16, 7/10, 7/16

7. CORRESPONDENCE

8. CONSENT AGENDA

The board will be asked to approve all the following items by a single vote unless any member of the board or public requests an item be removed from the consent agenda and considered and discussed separately.

- a. Approval of Warrants
- 904130 – 904137 (6/12/26)
 - 905390 – 905395 (6/18/26)
 - 906330 -- 906339 (6/26/26)
 - 907172 -- 907178 (7/02/26)
 - 908067 – 908082 (7/10/26)
 - 909289 – 909296 (7/17/26)
 - 910303 – 910312 (7/24/26)
 - 911105 – 911111 (7/31/26)
 - 911860 – 911866 (8/07/26)

b. Approval of Certificated and Classified Payroll: June 30, 2026

c. Approval of Certificated and Classified Payroll: July 31, 2026

d. Quarterly Report on Williams Complaints: April – June 2026

Background: No complaints received

Recommendation: Approve the Consent Agenda

9. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

a. Review and universal adoption of board policy updates.

Background: The following board policies are being updated for compliance with state legislature.

BP 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan

AR 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan

BP 1445 Response to Immigration Enforcement

AR 1445 Response to Immigration Enforcement

BP 5125 Student Records

AR 5125 Student Records

BP 5125.1 Release of Directory Information

AR 5125.1 Release of Directory Information

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BP 4119.24 Maintaining Appropriate Adult-Student Interactions

BP 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process

AR 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process

BP 5145.2 Freedom of Speech/Expression

AR 5145.2 Freedom of Speech/Expression

BP 6173 Education for Homeless Children

AR 6173 Education for Homeless Children

BB 9320 Meetings and Notices

BB 9322 Agenda/Meeting Materials

AR1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

AR 3517 Facilities Inspection

AR 4112.5 Criminal Record Check

BP 5141.75 Weather Safety

BP 5142 Safety

AR 5142 Safety

Recommendation: Approve updated board policies

10. BUSINESS MATTERS

a. Review and Approval of the Unaudited Actuals for the 2025/2026 School Year

Background: The Unaudited Actuals report is mandated by state law. It details actual expenditures for the prior budget year (2025/2026) and must be submitted to the Santa Barbara County Education Office. After their analysis, the report will be sent to the California Department of Education.

Recommendation: Approve the 2025/2026 Unaudited Actuals report

11. FACILITIES

Approval of a contract with Converged for the installation of a new Phone system, for \$6,794.28 to replace the existing phones from Ring Central.

Background: Ballard has been operating with an outdated phone system and intercom system. The new phone system would be an upgraded safety feature including outdoor intercoms to improve the safety after hours during the after school program. All new phones would have the "all call" ability.

Recommendation: Approve the contract with Converged for installation of the new Phone system from Ring Central for \$6,794.28 to replace the existing phones.

12. PERSONNEL MATTERS

- a. Approval of new hire for classroom aide, 18.75 hours per week, step 4, based on experience.

Recommendation: Approval of new hire for classroom aide position.

- b. Approval of temporary contracts with independent contractors for special services
 - i. Approval of the renewed contract with the music specialist for music instruction, \$100 per hour, 15 hours per week.
 - ii. Approval of the renewed contract with the librarian, \$40 per hour, 8-10 hours per week.
 - iii. Approval of new contract with art specialist for \$50 per hour for art instruction, 10 hours per week.
 - iv. Approval of renewed contract with Explore Ecology at \$14,800 per year for garden science instruction.
 - v. Approval to hire a science support instructor, \$30 per hour for science instruction, 6 hours per week.

Recommendation: Approval of the new and renewed temporary contracts with independent contractors for special services.

13. STUDENT MATTERS

14. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 3:45pm.

15. CLOSED SESSION

a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9: 1 case

16. ADJOURNMENT

Any materials required by law to be made available to the public prior to a meeting of the Board of Trustees Of the District can be inspected at the following address during normal business hours:

**Ballard School Office
2425 School Street
Solvang, CA 93463. 805-688-4812**

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY

Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in a meeting or function of the Ballard School District may request assistance by contacting the district/school office, 2425 School Street, Solvang, CA 93463; telephone 805-688-4812; or fax 805-688-7325 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.