

MEETING MINUTES

Irvine Unified School District Administration Center
5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA 92604
5:15 PM Closed Session / 6:30 PM Regular Meeting

Voting Members

Lauren Brooks, Board Member
Jeff Kim, Board Clerk
Katie McEwen, Board President
Connie Stone, Board Member
Cyril Yu, Board Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

President McEwen called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

2. CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:
None.

3. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:16 p.m.

a. Student Discipline Issue(s) (1 case) [Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918(c)]

The Board discussed one student discipline matter.

b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation [Government Code Section 54957]

The Board met with the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents to review progress toward the Superintendent's Goals and Objectives for 2025-26.

4. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM

President McEwen reconvened the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Student Member Willis.

Members Present:

Lauren Brooks
Jeff Kim
Katie McEwen
Connie Stone
Cyril Yu

Student Members Present:

Lennon Coffin (Irvine HS)
Rose Chhabria (Northwood HS)
Maria Poveromo (Woodbridge HS)
Sage Weinberg (University HS)
Marley Willis (Portola HS)

Staff Present:

Cassie Parham, Superintendent of Schools
John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Brianna Ford, Assistant Superintendent, Information Technology
Eamonn O'Donovan, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Stan Machesky, Assistant Superintendent, Education Services
Raianna Chavez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

6. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION / ACTION

President McEwen reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

7. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

a. Case No. 01H-2526

Approve the staff recommendation to expel Case No. 01H-2526 and to suspend and shorten the expulsion, permitting the student to voluntarily transfer from Northwood High School to ACCESS for the first semester of the 2025-2026 school year. Student will be eligible to reenroll in the Irvine Unified School District, specific school to be determined, for the second semester of the 2025-2026 school year with a behavior contract in place, pending completion of rehabilitation items.

Motion made by: Lauren Brooks

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes
Jeff Kim - Yes
Katie McEwen - Yes
Connie Stone - Yes
Cyril Yu - Yes

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the following meeting(s), as presented:

April 25, 2025 - Special Meeting

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Connie Stone

Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes
Jeff Kim - Yes
Katie McEwen - Yes
Connie Stone - Yes
Cyril Yu - Yes

9. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adopt agenda, as presented.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu
Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks
Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes
Jeff Kim - Yes
Katie McEwen - Yes
Connie Stone - Yes
Cyril Yu - Yes

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:
None.

11. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Minutes:
Student Board Members Lennon Coffin, Rose Chhabria, Maria Poveromo, Sage Weinberg and Marley Willis reported on school activities.

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:
Superintendent Parham expressed her appreciation to the Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF) for hosting the Sunset Soiree. The event provided an opportunity to engage with donors and share the District's future initiatives, including the integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI). She noted that while IUSD remains one of the highest-performing yet lowest-funded districts in the state, if it were funded at the California average, the District would receive an additional \$100 million annually. Despite these funding challenges, IUSD is the only district in Orange County to have all five high schools ranked in the top 5% of California high schools by U.S. News & World Report. This achievement is a testament to the dedication and continuous investment of the District's outstanding high school staff. In closing, she highlighted the Communities Come Together Irvine event; this safety education and community engagement event will take place on September 30. The event is hosted in collaboration with the Irvine Police Department, the Orange County Fire Authority, and IUSD's Special Education Department.

13. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Minutes:
Board members Brooks, Kim, McEwen, Stone, and Yu provided updates on their school visits, conference attendance, other responsibilities, and participation in various meetings and activities.

14. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 15.a. – 19.a.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu
Motion seconded by: Jeff Kim
Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes
Jeff Kim - Yes
Katie McEwen - Yes
Connie Stone - Yes
Cyril Yu - Yes

15. CONSENT CALENDAR - Business Services

- a. Check Register Report
- b. Contract Services Action Report 2025-26/03
- c. Purchase Order Detail Report
- d. Notice of Completion for the Irvine High School Stadium Field Replacement & Track Re-Surfacing Project
- e. Notice of Completion for the University High School Stadium Field Turf Replacement, Track Re-Surfacing, Stripping & Warranty Project

16. CONSENT CALENDAR - Education Services

- a. Field Trips and Excursions
- b. Participation in Outdoor Education Science Camps for the 2025-26 School Year
- c. Temporary Athletic Team Coach Certification 2025-26
- d. Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program (IEEEP) Funding Grant

17. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources

- a. Certificated Personnel Action Report 2025-26/03
- b. Classified Personnel Action Report 2025-26/03

18. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education

- a. Special Education Settlement Agreement(s)
- b. Special Education Reimbursement(s)

19. CONSENT CALENDAR - Superintendent's Office

- a. Conference Attendance

20. CONSENT CALENDAR RESOLUTIONS - Roll Call

Approve Consent Calendar Resolution Item Nos. 20.a. – 20.f.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Connie Stone

Voting:

- Lauren Brooks - Yes
 - Jeff Kim - Yes
 - Katie McEwen - Yes
 - Connie Stone - Yes
 - Cyril Yu - Yes
- a. Resolution No. 25-26-12: Approval of All Sierra Vista Middle School New Multipurpose Room Building Project Environmental Documents, Approval of the Project, and Authorize Staff to Execute and File the Notice of Exemption
 - b. Resolution No. 25-26-13: Approval of All Measure Series 4 – Building Expansion Project at College Park Elementary School Environmental Documents, Approval of the Project, and Authorize Staff to Execute and File the Notice of Exemption

- c. Resolution No. 25-26-14: Approval of All Measure E Series 4 - Building Addition and Renovation Project at Lakeside Middle School Environmental Documents, Approval of the Project, and Authorize Staff to Execute and File the Notice of Exemption
- d. Resolution No. 25-26-15: Approval of All Measure Series 4 – Building Expansion Project at Northwood High School Environmental Documents, Approval of the Project, and Authorize Staff to Execute and File the Notice of Exemption
- e. Resolution No. 25-26-16: Adopting the Gann Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Years 2024-25 and 2025-26
- f. Resolution No. 25-26-17: Approve 2025-26 Budget Revisions to Adjust 2024-25 Actual Fund Balance

21. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 21.a. – 21.e.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Jeff Kim

Voting:

- Lauren Brooks - Yes
- Jeff Kim - Yes
- Katie McEwen - Yes
- Connie Stone - Yes
- Cyril Yu - Yes

- a. Certificates of Authorized Signers for Irvine Unified School District – Community Facilities District Nos. 86-1, 01-1, 04-1, 04-2A, 04-2B, 06-1, 08-1, and 09-1
- b. Measure E Renewal of Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee Members
- c. Receive Bids/Award Contracts – Creekside Education Center IT Villa 2025
- d. Change Order Request for the Creekside Education Center IT Villa 2025
- e. Change Order Requests for Portola High School Expansion – Phase 2

22. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:
None.

23. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- a. **Public Hearing: Joint Bargaining Proposal Regarding the 2025-26 Agreement Between the Irvine Unified School District and the Irvine Teachers Association**

After holding a public hearing and considering all comments, adopt the proposal of the Irvine Unified School District and the Irvine Teachers Association in order to initiate the bargaining process on the listed articles.

Minutes:

President McEwen opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m., received no comments and closed the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Connie Stone

Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes
Jeff Kim - Yes
Katie McEwen - Yes
Connie Stone - Yes
Cyril Yu - Yes

b. Resolution No. 25-26-18: Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Implementation Agreement No. 3 and Joint Community Facilities Agreements, and Delegating Authority Related Thereto - Roll Call

Adopt Resolution No. 25-26-18, approving and authorizing the execution of implementation Agreement No. 3 and Joint Community Facilities Agreements, and delegating authority related thereto.

Motion made by: Lauren Brooks

Motion seconded by: Connie Stone

Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes
Jeff Kim - Yes
Katie McEwen - Yes
Connie Stone - Yes
Cyril Yu - Yes

c. Resolution No. 25-26-19: Board Decision Regarding Irvine Chinese Immersion Academy Charter Petition Material Revision 2025 - Roll Call

Approval of Option 2, Resolution No. 25-26-19, Conditionally Approving the Charter Petition Material Revision 2025 for the Irvine Chinese Immersion Academy Charter School.

Minutes:

Superintendent Parham provided an overview of the Charter School Act requirements and the process undertaken by the District in review of the Charter School Petition Material Revision submitted by petitioners for Irvine Chinese Immersion Academy, to increase their grade level offerings from TK-5 to include grades 6-8.

She reported, District staff, working with District legal counsel, reviewed and analyzed all information received pertaining to the proposed charter petition material revision. Based on that review, District staff recommend conditional approval of the charter with a Memorandum of Understanding to address some areas requiring more refinement.

Motion made by: Lauren Brooks

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes
Jeff Kim - Yes
Katie McEwen - Yes
Connie Stone - Yes
Cyril Yu - Yes

d. Approval of Unaudited Actuals Financial Report – 2024-25

Approval of 2024-25 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report.

Minutes:

John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the Unaudited Actuals Financial Report for 2024-25. This report represents the cumulative financial activity for the fiscal year and is subject to an annual audit conducted each fall. He reviewed the Unrestricted Financial Report, noting a \$4.5 million surplus over the estimated revenues and expenditures, representing less than 1% of the unrestricted total budget. This surplus primarily resulted from increased revenue from lottery apportionments, interest and use of district facilities fees to offset expenses. The Restricted Financial Report indicated a \$7 million surplus over the estimated amount, largely as a result of the timing of expenditures.

He then presented a pie chart demonstrating the distribution of the District's total general funds by function, highlighting that 97% of expenses are directed towards supporting students.

In conclusion, he reviewed the adopted 2025-26 unrestricted general fund budget alongside the 2024-25 unaudited actual amounts and the year-end financial report for 2024-25 for other fund categories, which include the student activity fund, cafeteria, insurance, and bond debt service funds. The County School Facilities funds, which include some Measure E facilities reimbursements, are reserved for future school improvements and maintenance.

Board members thanked John and the Business staff for the presentation and the budget book, noting it is available on the District's website and serves as a great resource for the public.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks

Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

Connie Stone - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

24. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:

None.

25. CLOSED SESSION (AS NECESSARY)

Minutes:

None.

26. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Connie Stone

Voting:

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

Connie Stone - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes