

CUYAMA JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 16th, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.
BOARD ROOM, CUYAMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2300 Hwy 166, New Cuyama CA 93254

I. The meeting will be called to order by Board President, Jeffery Mitchell at: **4:09 p.m.**

Roll Call:

Elaine Johnson **Present** Jeffery Mitchell **Present** Jeanette Rosales **Present**

Danielle Reynolds **Present**

Kevin Lebsack (Superintendent) **Present**

FLAG SALUTE: Led by: Jeffery Mitchell

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board of Trustees welcomes and values public participation in its meetings. The Board requests that all speakers conduct themselves in a courteous, respectful, and civil manner to ensure a productive meeting environment. Following recognition by the Board President, members of the public shall have the opportunity to address the Board on agenda items before or during the Board's consideration of the item and on matters within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, as provided by law. To facilitate the efficient conduct of Board business, the Board President may establish reasonable time limits for public comments, including limiting individual speakers to three (3) minutes and limiting the total time devoted to a particular item to fifteen (15) minutes, consistent with Board policy and applicable law. Speaker cards are voluntary and are used solely to assist in the orderly conduct of the meeting. Members of the public may attend and address the Board without providing their name, address, or other identifying information. Items not listed on the agenda may be discussed by members of the public; however, pursuant to the **Ralph M. Brown Act**, the Board may not take action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda except as authorized by law. Matters brought to the Board's attention may be referred to staff or placed on a future agenda for discussion and/or action.

References:

Government Code § 54954.3 (Brown Act - Public Comment)

Education Code §§ 35145 and 35145.5 (School Board Meetings and Public Participation)

Jeff Mitchell read the board's public comment policy aloud, outlining speaker time limits (3 minutes per speaker, 15 minutes per item), voluntary speaker cards, and Ralph M. Brown Act compliance. Public comment period opened per established board policy.

Laura Price provided positive remarks about recent upgrades at the high school campus. Laura highlighted improvements including the new office layout, gym floor, new concrete, trash cans, and plumbing. She announced the creation of a "Bears Bistro" in the gym lobby with bistro tables and stools. She also noted a strict no food/drink (except water) and no hard-soled shoes policy for the gym floor. She went on to praise the collaborative spirit among staff, citing Eric staying through lunch to help assemble furniture.

Laura raised detailed procedural and legal concerns regarding Resolution 2026-2027-05 (censure of Trustee Elaine Johnson). She noted that letters were sent to several players but only a handful were interviewed; Laura: Questioned the validity of an anonymous letter entered into evidence from someone with no direct involvement. She pointed out that draft minutes from the August 13th meeting inaccurately reflected the vote as "1 yay, 0 nos" when the actual vote was 1 yes and 2 nos. Ms Price referenced California Education Code Section 35153 requiring accurate records of official board actions. She then cited Board Bylaw 9323 requiring board members to vote on all issues absent a conflict of interest. Ms Price then posed two questions for District Counsel: (1) What specific law prohibits Trustee Johnson from voting? (2) How many affirmative votes are required to adopt the resolution?

Angel Cannon, an FFA advisor, expressed concern about being excluded from the investigation despite FFA being referenced in the findings. Ms Cannon stated she was never questioned during the investigation, despite being present at nearly all FFA events involving Trustee Johnson. Angel agreed with Laura's bylaw concerns and noted that the district's own website links to an outdated Gamut page (last updated 2024), while updated bylaws approved in April 2026 are not reflected there. Ms Cannon submitted anonymous letters from students to Kevin (Mr. Lebsack) to be read to the Governing board.

Kevin Lebsack read two anonymous letters from beach volleyball players submitted by Ms Cannon

Anonymous Beach Volleyball Player 1: Described a positive first-year experience, fun practices, and strong team camaraderie.

Anonymous Beach Volleyball Player 2: Stated Trustee Johnson was never rude or racist, always made the student feel included, hyped up the team, and ensured everyone was treated well.

Letters entered into the public record as part of the public comment period

III. Public Hearing

Pursuant to California Education Code Section 60119, the Governing Board is required to conduct an annual public hearing to determine whether each pupil in the District has sufficient standards-aligned textbooks and instructional materials in core curriculum areas. The hearing must be held on or before the end of the eighth week of school and must provide an opportunity for participation by parents, teachers, bargaining unit representatives, and community members. Notice was posted on Friday, September 4, 2026. **Page 1-4**

A required annual public hearing was held to determine whether instructional materials in core curriculum areas meet state standards. Public Hearing opened at

It was noted that the hearing was posted on Friday, September 4th, 2026. Kevin Lebsack confirmed all subject areas covered — mathematics, science, history/social science, English language arts, English language development, health, and laboratory science equipment for grades 9–12.

No public comment was received during the hearing.

Public hearing closed at with no comment. Resolution 2026-2027-07 brought forward for adoption later in the meeting.

IV. CVHS FFA Report: Advisor Mrs. Cannon and CVHS Officers

Angel Cannon presented the FFA report on behalf of the chapter, as most officers were at practice or preparing for homecoming.

Angel announced a chapter opening-closing contest the following Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria; board members invited. It will consist of four competing teams (freshman team, two open teams, officer team) heading to Pioneer Valley High School the following Saturday for sectional competition; the chapter has placed third out of ten schools for the past two years. Angel then stated there will be upcoming livestock judging at Cow Palace, and online contests in vet science, farm power, water issues, and livestock terminology. Angel then stated three students will

be attending National Convention, including Joseph — the district's first-ever national delegate — who received high praise from State FFA director Mr. Mooney. She then mentioned Joseph's intention to run for state FFA officer, which would also be a district first.

V. CVHS High School ASB Report

Laura Price, the ASB advisor, presented the high school ASB update. Ms. Price expressed growing comfort in the role compared to the prior year. She then reported concessions being run by each class for football and volleyball games to earn class funds. Laura then announced plans to paint the interior of the concession stand. Ms. Price stated two pep rallies were held; homecoming festivities are underway including dress-up days, pep rally, tri-tip sandwiches at the football game, and a potential homecoming dance (pending approval). She then noted that 8 of 15 seniors wanted to paint parking spots; 3 completed theirs on Sunday, with markers reserved for others pending licensure.

VI. CVHS Elementary and Jr High ASB Report

The Elementary and Junior High ASB advisor introduced the ASB officers and their president, Stella Biggs McBrian who delivered a formal report. Stella introduced officers including President Stella Biggs McBrian, Vice President Emilio Castro, Secretary Ruby Lobo, Treasurer Rosalie Shaw, Event Coordinator Michael Price, Girls Sports Rep Hadley Russell, Boys Sports Rep Raul Alarcon, 7th Grade Rep Eduardo Lucitero, 8th Grade Rep Bella Fonseca, and elementary officers including President Madison Bosma, Vice President Shylah Dubey, Secretary Faith Harrington, Events Coordinator Kailey Lopez, 5th Grade Rep Kiara Olivas, and 6th Grade Rep Esteban Barrios. Stella went on to say that it has been a positive start to the year and ASB is planning activities including a ball, spring-themed fundraisers, sporting events, field trips, and other student activities. Stella did a great job emphasizing ASB's goal of making the year enjoyable, memorable, and inclusive for all students.

VII. Superintendents Report

Kevin Lebsack delivered the superintendent's report covering multiple operational and strategic updates. Mr. Lebsack said students are settling into the school year and expressed growing comfort with elementary students. A letter of support for Garrett

Wong for grant and infrastructure funding; copies available. High school office remodel nearly complete; counter repositioned so the secretary can now see the parking lot a significant improvement to school safety. Discussed plans for a bench with engraving and planters at the school entrance to improve curb appeal. He then brought up the PG&E property and title matter as increasingly complex, requiring a real estate lawyer; discussions ongoing. The ACES program is growing in enrollment, benefiting both the budget and the community. He brought up a new grant opportunity, the California Serve Grant as a new state grant being evaluated for eligibility. Kevin then Introduced the student board member application packet and prospective board member questionnaire The board member appointments are required before November 3rd. There is an upcoming board candidate workshop being organized by the county. He then reported positive feedback from both back-to-school nights and highly praised the cookies at the high school. Mr. Lebsack then updated the Community Engagement Initiative (CEI) grant team members for the current year. Then shared two commendation letters received regarding Grace's work on LCAP approval and the district's fiscal solvency. Mr. Lebsack finished up with an athletics update, volleyball won the last two matches. The football coaching staff was praised for hard work and conditioning and football field is being actively improved ahead of Friday's game.

VIII. Board Reports

Jeffery Mitchell addressed the board on core governance values before introducing legal counsel. Mr. Mitchell reminded Board members of their duty to vote on matters brought before the Board, noting that abstentions are appropriate only when required by a conflict of interest or other legal prohibition. He emphasized the importance of transparency, accountability, and integrity in Board governance. Mr. Mitchell then introduced the District's legal counsel, Mark Pafford, to address questions raised during public comment regarding Board voting requirements and the process for conducting investigations. Legal counsel provided clarification on these matters for the record. District legal counsel, Mark Pafford, provided guidance regarding the proposed censure resolution and related Board procedures. Counsel advised that, with the current composition of the Board consisting of four seated members and one vacancy, three affirmative votes were required for any action to pass. Counsel further advised that Trustee Johnson should abstain from voting on the censure resolution due to a potential conflict of interest under the Common Law

Doctrine of Conflict of Interest. Counsel reviewed Board Bylaw 9323 regarding voting requirements and outlined the process used to conduct the independent investigation, including the retention of Nicole Miller and Associates to perform the investigation and the issuance of notice of findings letters to the respective parties. Counsel explained that the investigative report is privileged and confidential, while the notice of findings letters are not subject to District control once issued. Counsel also stated that the resolution had been returned for Board consideration after members indicated they had not understood that a vote was being taken at the prior meeting, and that reconsideration was permissible. The Board engaged in discussion regarding the reintroduction of the censure resolution. Public comment was received expressing concerns about the fairness of reconsidering a matter that had previously been voted upon and about the procedures followed at the prior meeting. Board members discussed their understanding of the action taken at the August meeting, with some members indicating they did not realize a formal vote was being conducted. District legal counsel provided clarification regarding the process for reintroducing the item and advised that, in the absence of a bylaw prohibiting reconsideration, the matter could be returned to the agenda. Jeffrey Mitchell acknowledged that verbal roll-call votes should have been requested during the August meeting and accepted responsibility for procedural oversight. The Board noted the importance of clear voting procedures and maintaining public confidence in the integrity of Board actions.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA:

The Board will consider the following consent calendar items. All items listed are considered to be routine and noncontroversial. Consent items will be considered first and may be approved by one motion if no member of the CJUSD Board wishes to comment or discuss. If comment or discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the CJUSD Board concerning the item before action is taken.

1. July 13, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. **Pg 5-40**
2. Facilities Use Agreement with Cuyama Basin Water District Board of Directors **Pg 41-45**
3. Field Trip Request: 21st Annual Career Expo. All High School Students. Paid for by Allen Hancock College **Pg 47-49**
4. Elementary Field Trip to Cherry Acres Farm **Pg 51**

5. Elementary and Jr High ASB Collaborative Fundraiser selling shirts, hoodies and school spirit items. **Pg 53-54**
6. Elementary Garden Club Fundraiser: Peddlers Fair and Silent Auction **Pg 55-56**
7. Jr High ASB Fundraiser: Sports Mania **Pg 29**
8. Elementary and Jr High Collaborative Fundraiser Event: Movie Night **Pg 59-60**
9. Jr High ASB Fall Carnival, to raise money for 8th Grade Trip. **Pg 61-62**
10. Elementary and Jr High All School Walkathon **Pg 63-64**
11. Elementary and Jr High ASB Fundraiser: Krispy Kreme Donut Sales. **Pg 65-66**
12. Elementary and Jr High ASB Fundraiser: Spring Fling Carnival **Pg 67-68**
13. Elementary and Jr High ASB Fundraiser: Marie Calendar Pie Sales **Pg 69-70**
14. Elementary and Jr High ASB Fundraiser: Spooky Treat Sales **Pg 71-72**
15. High School ASB Homecoming Dance **Pg 73-76**
16. High School ASB Junior Class Fundraiser: School Spirit T shirts **Pg 77**
17. High School ASB Fundraiser: Chocolate Bars **Pg 78**
18. Warrant List 2627-02 **Pg 79-101**
19. Warrant List 2627-03 **Pg 103-105**
20. High School Animal Science Tour to Cannon Show Pigs **Pg 107**
21. High School Animal Science Tour to Cal Poly **Pg 108**
22. FFA Field Trip to Cal Poly Fall Preview **Pg 109**
23. FFA Community Service Senior Luncheon at Cuyama Valley Resource Center **Pg 110**

Moved by: **Danielle Reynolds** 2nd by: **Jeanette Rosales**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: **Y** Jeffery Mitchell: **Y** Jeanette Rosales: **Y**
 Danielle Reynolds: **Y**

(Consent Agenda Passed 4Y 0N)

X. ACTION ITEMS:

- A.** It is recommended that the Board discuss and bring for Consideration and Possible Adoption of **Resolution No. 2026-2027-05 Censuring Trustee Elaine Johnson Pg 111-115**

The proposed censure resolution was read into the record. The resolution referenced findings of the independent investigation concerning allegations of conduct toward students and at District-sponsored activities. It further outlined corrective actions and expectations, including compliance with Board policies, participation in leadership development at the Trustee's expense, and consideration of resignation. Following the reading of the resolution, a roll-call vote was conducted.

Moved by: Danielle Reynolds

2nd by: Jeanette Rosales

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: **Abstain**

Jeffery Mitchell: **Y**

Jeanette Rosales: **N**

Danielle Reynolds: **Y**

(Resolution Failed 2Y 1N)

- B.** It is recommended that the Governing Board **discuss and approve the separation of the Associated Student Body (ASB) accounts into two distinct accounts:**

Elementary School ASB Account

Junior High School ASB Account

District administration will work with the County Office of Education, auditor, and appropriate financial institutions as necessary to implement the account separation and establish accounting procedures for the independent tracking and reporting of each ASB organization's funds. **Pg 117**

Separating the accounts will strengthen internal controls and ensure that funds generated by each student group are clearly identified and used for the benefit of the students who raised them. This change is consistent with sound financial management practices and will provide more accurate reporting to students, advisors, administration, and the Governing Board.

Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack explained the need to separate the combined Elementary and Junior High Associated Student Body (ASB) account into two distinct accounts to ensure that funds raised by each student group remain available for the benefit of that respective group. He reported that District administration would work with the County Office of Education auditor and the appropriate financial institutions to implement the account separation and ensure proper accounting procedures moving forward.

Moved by: Danielle Reynolds

2nd by: Jeanette Rosales

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: **Y**

Jeffery Mitchell: **Y**

Jeanette Rosales: **Y**

Danielle Reynolds: **Y**

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

C. First Reading of Board Policy 4119.24/4219.24/4319.24 – Maintaining Appropriate Adult-Student Interactions.

The California School Boards Association (CSBA) has developed Board Policy 4119.24/4219.24/4319.24 regarding maintaining appropriate boundaries and interactions between employees and students. The policy is intended to promote student safety, establish expectations for professional conduct, and provide guidance regarding appropriate adult-student interactions in both in-person and electronic communications. Administration is presenting the policy for a first reading and review by the Governing Board. No action to adopt the policy is being recommended at this time. Following Board review and discussion, the policy will be brought back for a second reading and adoption at a future meeting. **Pg 119-122**

Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented the California School Boards Association (CSBA) policy regarding appropriate boundaries and interactions between adults and students, including expectations for both in-person and electronic communications. The policy was presented for the Board's review and consideration as a first reading. No action was taken at this meeting. The policy will be returned to a future meeting for a second reading and possible adoption.

D. It is recommended that the Governing Board discuss and approve the questionnaire to fill the vacant Governing Board seat.

To ensure consistency, fairness, and transparency, all applicants will be required to complete the same application, affirm the same eligibility requirements, and participate in the same selection process established by the Board.

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Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented a proposed questionnaire for use in the Board vacancy application process. He explained that the questionnaire was developed to provide consistency, fairness, and transparency in evaluating applicants and includes eligibility requirements to assist prospective candidates in determining whether they meet the qualifications for appointment.

Moved by: **Danielle Reynolds**

2nd by: **Elaine Johnson**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: **Y**

Jeffery Mitchell: **Y**

Jeanette Rosales: **Y**

Danielle Reynolds: **Y**

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

- E. It is recommended that the Governing Board **discuss and approve the Student Board Member Application and Selection Process.**

The approved process shall require all interested students to complete the same application, meet the established eligibility requirements, submit all required supporting materials, and participate in the same interview and/or speech process. The Board affirms that all student candidates will be evaluated using the same criteria and selection procedures to ensure fairness, consistency, and equal opportunity for participation. No applicant may be considered for appointment unless all application requirements are completed and submitted by the established deadline.

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Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented the proposed Student Board Member Application and Selection Process. He explained that the application was modeled after the Future Farmers of America (FFA) officer application process and noted that additional criteria, including minimum GPA, attendance requirements, and the interview or speech component, would be finalized at a later date. Mr. Lebsack stated that the intent was to make the application available immediately so interested students could begin reviewing and completing the materials.

Moved by: Elaine Johnson

2nd by: Danielle Reynolds

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: Y

Jeffery Mitchell: Y

Jeanette Rosales: Y

Danielle Reynolds: Y

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

- F. It is recommended that the Governing Board **discuss and approve the agreement with LunchAssist, Inc.** for district-wide Child Nutrition Program training and professional development services through LunchAssist PRO in the amount of **\$845.00 Pg 133-134**

Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented the proposed agreement with Lunch Assist Incorporated for the Lunch Assist PRO Training Program. He explained that the program would provide a centralized platform for required nutrition services training, tracking, and compliance, including ServSafe and other annual training requirements for cafeteria staff. Mr. Lebsack noted that the first-year cost of the program is \$845, which includes setup, with an ongoing annual cost of \$500 thereafter. He further explained that the training is primarily delivered

online through Zoom and would assist the District in maintaining required training records and compliance documentation.

Moved by: **Danielle Reynolds** 2nd by: **Elaine Johnson**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: Y Jeffery Mitchell: Y Jeanette Rosales: Y
Danielle Reynolds: Y

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

- G.** It is recommended that the Governing Board **discuss and approve LunchAsist PRO consulting services for the District's Fund 13 (Cafeteria Fund)** and authorize the Superintendent/Principal, Chief Business Official, and/or their designees to execute the necessary agreement and related documents. **Pg 135-141**

LunchAssist PRO will provide consulting and technical assistance related to the District's school nutrition program and Fund 13 operations. These services will support the District in maintaining accurate program administration, fiscal accountability, compliance with applicable requirements, and effective management of the cafeteria program.

Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented the proposed agreement with Lunch Assist Incorporated for consulting and technical assistance services related to the District's nutrition services program. He explained that the consulting component was being reconsidered as District administration was exploring a potentially more cost-effective alternative to meet the District's needs. Following discussion, a motion was made and approved to table the item for consideration at a future meeting.

The item was tabled and will be brought back to a future Board meeting for further review and possible action.

Moved by: **Danielle Reynolds** 2nd by: **Elaine Johnson**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: Y Jeffery Mitchell: Y Jeanette Rosales: Y
Danielle Reynolds: Y

(The item was tabled and will be brought back to a future Board meeting for further review and possible action.)

- H. It is recommended that the Governing Board **discuss and approve the 2026-2027 Community Engagement Initiative Peer Leading and Learning Network Agreement with the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence** and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement and related documents on behalf of the District. **Pg 143-151**

Under the agreement, CJUSD will participate in the Cohort VI and/or Cohort VII PLLN through June 30, 2027. Participation includes establishing a district team representing various stakeholder groups, attending network meetings, engaging in professional learning activities, sharing resources, and supporting community engagement efforts throughout the district.

Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented the proposed renewal agreement with the Health Collaborative for Educational Excellence for participation in the Community Engagement Initiative (CEI) Peer Learning Network through June 30, 2027. He explained that the agreement represents a continuation of the District's participation from the prior year and provides opportunities for collaboration with other districts through professional learning, networking, and community engagement activities.

Moved by: **Danielle Reynolds**

2nd by: **Elaine Johnson**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: Y

Jeffery Mitchell: Y

Jeanette Rosales: Y

Danielle Reynolds: Y

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

- I. It is recommended that the Governing Board **discuss and approve the Disposal of Obsolete, Damaged, and Unusable Instructional Materials**.

Education Code authorizes school districts to remove instructional materials that are obsolete, outdated, worn, damaged beyond repair, no longer aligned with current curriculum and instructional needs, or otherwise no longer suitable for classroom use. District staff have reviewed library and classroom inventories and identified instructional materials that are no longer needed for educational purposes. **Pg 153**

Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented the recommendation to dispose of obsolete and damaged instructional materials. He explained that the high school

textbook storage area had become overcrowded with materials from multiple prior curriculum adoptions, including items that were outdated, water-damaged, or affected by rodent activity. Mr. Lebsack noted that California Education Code authorizes the removal and disposal of instructional materials that are obsolete, no longer aligned with the current curriculum, or otherwise unsuitable for continued use.

Moved by: **Danielle Johnson**

2nd by: **Elaine Johnson**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: Y

Jeffery Mitchell: Y

Jeanette Rosales: Y

Danielle Reynolds: Y

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

- J. It is recommended that the Governing Board **discuss and approve the initiation of the process to fill two vacant Governing Board seats by appointment pursuant to Education Code sections 5326 and 5328**, authorize the public posting of the vacancies in the Taft Midway Driller and other District communication channels, and direct the Superintendent or designee to develop and implement an application and interview process for the appointment of one candidate to a four-year term and one candidate to a two-year term. **Pg 155-156**

Superintendent/Principal Kevin Lebsack presented the proposed process for filling two vacant Governing Board seats. He outlined the steps required to complete the appointments, including declaring the Board's intent to fill the vacancies by appointment, authorizing public notice, opening an application period, developing an interview and selection process, and making appointments prior to the deadline established by the Santa Barbara County Elections Office. Mr. Lebsack stated that notices of the vacancies would be broadly distributed through local newspapers, community organizations, social media, and public posting locations throughout the community to encourage interested residents to apply. He further noted that a special Board meeting may be required in late October to complete the appointment process before the November 3 deadline. Following discussion, the Board authorized the initiation of the vacancy appointment process.

Moved by: **Elaine Johnson**

2nd by: **Danielle Reynolds**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: Y

Jeffery Mitchell: Y

Jeanette Rosales: Y

Danielle Reynolds: Y

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

- K. Following the required Public Hearing, it is recommended that the Governing Board adopt **Resolution No. 2026-2027-07, Certification of Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for the 2026-2027 School Year**, affirming that each student in the Cuyama Joint Unified School District has sufficient standards-aligned instructional materials in accordance with California Education Code Section 60119.

Moved by: **Danielle Reynolds**

2nd by: **Elaine Johnson**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: **Y**

Jeffery Mitchell: **Y**

Jeanette Rosales: **Y**

Danielle Reynolds: **Y**

(Motion Passed 4Y 0N)

XI. ITEM(S) PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

1. None

Moved by: _____

2nd by: _____

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson _____

Jeffery Mitchell _____

Jeanette Rosales _____

Danielle Reynolds _____

2. _____

Moved by: _____

2nd by: _____

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson _____

Jeffery Mitchell _____

Jeanette Rosales _____

Danielle Reynolds _____

XII. CLOSED SESSION:

NOTE: The Bown Act permits the Board to consider certain matters in closed session, in limited circumstances. The Board will consider and may act upon any of the items described below in closed session. The Brown Act requires that the Board report out certain actions taken in closed session, which will be announced following the closed session. **WITH LIMITED EXCEPTIONS,**

**THE LAW REQUIRES THAT INFORMATION DISCLOSED IN CLOSED SESSION
REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL.**

- A. Under California Government Code 54957 Certificated and Classified Personnel changes. The board will be asked to review and approve a number of transfers, reassignments, promotions, evaluations, terminations, resignations, leave of absence request, and hirings reported by the Superintendent.

The Board will adjourn into closed session at **5:49** p.m.

The Board returned to open session at **6:00** p.m.

Report out from closed session

Personnel Report Accepted

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by: **Elaine Johnson**

2nd by: **Danielle Reynolds**

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson: **Y**

Jeffery Mitchell: **Y**

Jeanette Rosales: **Y**

Danielle Reynolds: **Y**

Materials prepared in connection with an item on the regular session agenda may be reviewed in the Superintendent's office 72 hours in advance of the meeting and will be available for public inspection at the meeting. An individual who requires disability- related accommodations or modifications, including auxiliary aids and services, in order to participate in the board meeting should contact the Superintendent or designee. (Government Code 54954.2)

The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting will be on Thursday, October 8, 2026 6:00p.m., Elementary School Board Room. Materials related to an item on this Order of Business distributed to the Board of Education are available for public inspection at the district office and at: <http...>

DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO CONJUNTO DE CUYAMA

REUNIÓN ORDINARIA DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA

Miércoles, 16 de septiembre de 2026, a las 4:00 p. m.

Sala de Juntas, Escuela Primaria Cuyama

2300 Hwy 166, New Cuyama, CA 93254 Pasted markdown

I. APERTURA DE LA REUNIÓN

La reunión fue llamada al orden por el Presidente de la Junta, **Jeffery Mitchell**, a las **4:09 p. m.**

Pase de lista:

Elaine Johnson — **Presente**

Jeffery Mitchell — **Presente**

Jeanette Rosales — **Presente**

Danielle Reynolds — **Presente**

Kevin Lebsack (Superintendente) — **Presente**

SALUDO A LA BANDERA: Dirigido por **Jeffery Mitchell**

II. COMENTARIOS DEL PÚBLICO

La Junta Directiva da la bienvenida y valora la participación del público en sus reuniones. La Junta solicita que todos los participantes se conduzcan de manera cortés, respetuosa y civil para garantizar un ambiente productivo durante la reunión.

Una vez reconocidos por el Presidente de la Junta, los miembros del público tendrán la oportunidad de dirigirse a la Junta sobre los asuntos incluidos en la agenda, antes o durante la consideración de dichos asuntos por parte de la Junta, así como sobre asuntos dentro de la jurisdicción temática de la Junta, conforme a la ley.

Para facilitar el desarrollo eficiente de los asuntos de la Junta, el Presidente podrá establecer límites de tiempo razonables para los comentarios públicos, incluyendo limitar a cada orador a **tres (3) minutos** y limitar el tiempo total dedicado a un asunto específico a **quince (15) minutos**, de conformidad con las políticas de la Junta y la ley aplicable.

Las tarjetas para oradores son voluntarias y se utilizan únicamente para ayudar a mantener el orden durante la reunión. Los miembros del público pueden asistir y dirigirse a la Junta sin proporcionar su nombre, dirección u otra información de identificación.

Los miembros del público pueden comentar sobre asuntos que no aparecen en la agenda; sin embargo, conforme a la **Ley Ralph M. Brown**, la Junta no puede tomar medidas sobre ningún

asunto que no aparezca en la agenda publicada, excepto cuando lo permita la ley. Los asuntos presentados ante la Junta pueden ser remitidos al personal o colocados en una agenda futura para discusión y/o acción.

Referencias:

Código de Gobierno § 54954.3 (Ley Brown – Comentarios del Público)

Código de Educación §§ 35145 y 35145.5 (Reuniones de la Junta Escolar y Participación Pública)

Jeff Mitchell leyó en voz alta la política de la Junta sobre comentarios públicos, explicando los límites de tiempo para los oradores (3 minutos por persona y 15 minutos por asunto), el carácter voluntario de las tarjetas para oradores y el cumplimiento de la Ley Ralph M. Brown. Se abrió el período de comentarios públicos conforme a la política establecida por la Junta.

Laura Price hizo comentarios positivos sobre las mejoras recientes en el plantel de la escuela preparatoria. Destacó mejoras como la nueva distribución de la oficina, el piso del gimnasio, el concreto nuevo, los botes de basura y las mejoras de plomería. Anunció la creación de un **“Bears Bistro”** en el vestíbulo del gimnasio, con mesas y bancos estilo bistró. También señaló que existe una política estricta que prohíbe alimentos y bebidas, excepto agua, así como zapatos de suela dura sobre el piso del gimnasio. Además, elogió el espíritu de colaboración entre el personal y mencionó que Eric permaneció durante su hora de almuerzo para ayudar a armar muebles.

Laura planteó inquietudes detalladas de carácter procesal y legal relacionadas con la **Resolución 2026-2027-05 (censura de la miembro de la Junta Elaine Johnson)**. Señaló que se enviaron cartas a varios jugadores, pero solamente se entrevistó a unos cuantos. Cuestionó la validez de una carta anónima presentada como evidencia por una persona que no tuvo participación directa.

También señaló que el borrador de las minutas de la reunión del 13 de agosto reflejaba incorrectamente la votación como “1 sí, 0 no”, cuando la votación real fue **1 sí y 2 no**. La Sra. Price hizo referencia a la Sección 35153 del Código de Educación de California, que requiere registros precisos de las acciones oficiales de la Junta. Posteriormente citó el Estatuto 9323 de la Junta, que requiere que los miembros voten sobre todos los asuntos, salvo que exista un conflicto de interés.

La Sra. Price formuló dos preguntas para el asesor legal del Distrito: **(1)** ¿Qué ley específica prohíbe que la miembro de la Junta Johnson vote? **(2)** ¿Cuántos votos afirmativos se requieren para adoptar la resolución?

Angel Cannon, asesora de FFA, expresó preocupación por haber sido excluida de la investigación a pesar de que FFA fue mencionado en las conclusiones. La Sra. Cannon indicó que nunca fue interrogada durante la investigación, a pesar de haber estado presente en casi todos los eventos de FFA en los que participó la miembro de la Junta Johnson.

Angel estuvo de acuerdo con las inquietudes de Laura respecto a los estatutos y señaló que el sitio web del propio Distrito contiene un enlace a una página de Gamut desactualizada, cuya última actualización fue en 2024, mientras que los estatutos actualizados y aprobados en abril de 2026 no aparecen reflejados allí.

La Sra. Cannon entregó a Kevin (Sr. Lebsack) cartas anónimas de estudiantes para que fueran leídas ante la Junta Directiva.

Kevin Lebsack leyó dos cartas anónimas de jugadoras de voleibol de playa presentadas por la Sra. Cannon.

Jugadora anónima de voleibol de playa 1: Describió una experiencia positiva durante su primer año, prácticas divertidas y una fuerte camaradería entre el equipo.

Jugadora anónima de voleibol de playa 2: Declaró que la miembro de la Junta Johnson nunca fue grosera ni racista, que siempre hizo que la estudiante se sintiera incluida, motivaba al equipo y se aseguraba de que todos fueran tratados adecuadamente.

Las cartas fueron incorporadas al registro público como parte del período de comentarios públicos.

III. AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

De conformidad con la Sección 60119 del Código de Educación de California, la Junta Directiva debe llevar a cabo una audiencia pública anual para determinar si cada estudiante del Distrito cuenta con suficientes libros de texto y materiales educativos alineados con los estándares en las áreas curriculares principales.

La audiencia debe celebrarse a más tardar al finalizar la octava semana de clases y debe brindar la oportunidad de participación a padres, maestros, representantes de unidades de negociación y miembros de la comunidad. El aviso fue publicado el **viernes 4 de septiembre de 2026. Páginas 1–4.**

Se llevó a cabo la audiencia pública anual requerida para determinar si los materiales educativos en las áreas curriculares principales cumplen con los estándares estatales.

Se señaló que el aviso de la audiencia fue publicado el viernes 4 de septiembre de 2026. **Kevin Lebsack** confirmó que se cubrieron todas las áreas académicas: matemáticas, ciencias, historia/ciencias sociales, lengua y literatura en inglés, desarrollo del idioma inglés, salud y equipo de laboratorio de ciencias para los grados 9–12.

No se recibieron comentarios del público durante la audiencia.

La audiencia pública se cerró sin comentarios. La Resolución 2026-2027-07 fue presentada posteriormente durante la reunión para su adopción.

IV. INFORME DE FFA DE CVHS

Asesora Sra. Cannon y Oficiales de CVHS

Angel Cannon presentó el informe de FFA en representación del capítulo, ya que la mayoría de los oficiales se encontraban en prácticas o preparándose para las actividades de Homecoming.

Angel anunció un concurso de ceremonias de apertura y clausura del capítulo para el miércoles siguiente a las **6:30 p. m. en la cafetería**, e invitó a los miembros de la Junta. Participarán cuatro equipos: un equipo de estudiantes de primer año, dos equipos abiertos y el equipo de oficiales. Los equipos viajarán a Pioneer Valley High School el sábado siguiente para participar en la competencia seccional. Durante los últimos dos años, el capítulo ha obtenido el **tercer lugar entre diez escuelas**.

También informó que habrá próximas competencias de evaluación de ganado en Cow Palace y concursos en línea de ciencias veterinarias, maquinaria agrícola, asuntos relacionados con el agua y terminología ganadera.

Tres estudiantes asistirán a la **Convención Nacional**, incluyendo a Joseph, quien será el **primer delegado nacional en la historia del Distrito** y recibió grandes elogios del director estatal de FFA, Sr. Mooney. Angel también mencionó la intención de Joseph de postularse como oficial estatal de FFA, lo cual también sería algo sin precedentes para el Distrito.

V. INFORME DE ASB DE LA ESCUELA PREPARATORIA CVHS

Laura Price, asesora de ASB, presentó la actualización de ASB de la escuela preparatoria. La Sra. Price expresó que se siente más cómoda desempeñando su función en comparación con el año anterior.

Informó que cada clase está administrando puestos de concesiones durante los partidos de fútbol americano y voleibol para recaudar fondos para su respectiva clase. También anunció planes para pintar el interior del puesto de concesiones.

Se han realizado dos reuniones de motivación estudiantil (*pep rallies*). Las actividades de Homecoming están en marcha e incluyen días temáticos de vestimenta, una reunión de motivación, sándwiches de tri-tip durante el partido de fútbol americano y un posible baile de Homecoming, pendiente de aprobación.

También señaló que **8 de los 15 estudiantes del último año** querían pintar sus espacios de estacionamiento; tres completaron sus espacios el domingo y se reservaron espacios para los demás, pendientes de que obtengan su licencia.

VI. INFORME DE ASB DE PRIMARIA Y SECUNDARIA (JR. HIGH)

La asesora de ASB de Primaria y Junior High presentó a los oficiales de ASB y a su presidenta, **Stella Biggs McBrian**, quien presentó un informe formal.

Stella presentó a los oficiales: Presidenta Stella Biggs McBrian; Vicepresidente Emilio Castro; Secretaria Ruby Lobo; Tesorera Rosalie Shaw; Coordinador de Eventos Michael Price; Representante de Deportes Femeninos Hadley Russell; Representante de Deportes Masculinos Raul Alarcon; Representante de 7.º grado Eduardo Lucitero; y Representante de 8.º grado Bella Fonseca.

Los oficiales de primaria incluyen a: Presidenta Madison Bosma; Vicepresidenta Shylah Dubey; Secretaria Faith Harrington; Coordinadora de Eventos Kailey Lopez; Representante de 5.º grado Kiara Olivas; y Representante de 6.º grado Esteban Barrios.

Stella indicó que el año ha comenzado de manera positiva y que ASB está planeando actividades que incluyen un baile, recaudaciones de fondos con temática de primavera, eventos deportivos, excursiones y otras actividades estudiantiles. Stella hizo un excelente trabajo al destacar que la meta de ASB es hacer que el año sea **divertido, memorable e inclusivo para todos los estudiantes**.

VII. INFORME DEL SUPERINTENDENTE

Kevin Lebsack presentó el informe del Superintendente, que incluyó varias actualizaciones operativas y estratégicas. Indicó que los estudiantes se están adaptando al año escolar y expresó que cada vez se siente más cómodo trabajando con los estudiantes de primaria.

Informó sobre una carta de apoyo para Garrett Wong relacionada con financiamiento para subvenciones e infraestructura; hay copias disponibles.

La remodelación de la oficina de la escuela preparatoria está casi terminada. El mostrador fue reubicado para que la secretaria pueda ver el estacionamiento, lo que representa una mejora significativa en la seguridad escolar.

También se discutieron planes para colocar una banca con grabado y maceteros en la entrada de la escuela para mejorar la apariencia del plantel.

El Sr. Lebsack habló sobre el asunto de propiedad y título relacionado con PG&E, el cual se ha vuelto cada vez más complejo y requiere la participación de un abogado especializado en bienes raíces. Las conversaciones continúan.

El programa ACES está aumentando su inscripción, beneficiando tanto al presupuesto como a la comunidad.

También mencionó una nueva oportunidad de subvención, la **California Serve Grant**, cuya elegibilidad está siendo evaluada.

Kevin presentó el paquete de solicitud para miembro estudiantil de la Junta y el cuestionario para posibles miembros de la Junta. Los nombramientos de los miembros de la Junta deben realizarse antes del **3 de noviembre**. El condado está organizando un próximo taller para candidatos a la Junta.

Informó que se recibieron comentarios positivos sobre ambas noches de regreso a clases y elogió especialmente las galletas de la escuela preparatoria.

El Sr. Lebsack también proporcionó una actualización sobre los miembros del equipo de la subvención **Community Engagement Initiative (CEI)** para el año actual.

Posteriormente compartió dos cartas de reconocimiento recibidas por el trabajo de Grace relacionado con la aprobación del LCAP y la solvencia fiscal del Distrito.

Finalmente, presentó una actualización deportiva. El equipo de voleibol ganó sus últimos dos partidos. Se elogió al personal de entrenadores de fútbol americano por su arduo trabajo y acondicionamiento, y se están realizando mejoras activamente en el campo de fútbol antes del partido del viernes.