

**CUYAMA JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025, 6:00 P.M.  
BOARD ROOM, CUYAMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
2300 Hwy 166, New Cuyama CA 93254**

Join Zoom Meeting

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- I. The meeting will be called to order by Board President, Jeffrey Mitchell at P.M.

Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson \_\_\_\_\_ Jeffrey Mitchell \_\_\_\_\_

Jeanette Rosales \_\_\_\_\_ Danielle Reynolds \_\_\_\_\_

Alfonso Gamino \_\_\_\_\_ Superintendent

FLAG SALUTE: Led by \_\_\_\_\_

II. PUBLIC FORUM:

The Board wishes to recognize all speakers. The board expects that all speech will be polite, courteous, and respectful by all, including the board. Following recognition by the President, members of the public shall have an opportunity to address the Board of Trustees either before or during the Board's consideration of each item of business to be discussed. In order to efficiently manage the business of the Board, the Board President may limit the amount of time allocated for each individual speaker to 3 minutes and limit the total time allocated on a particular issue to 15 minutes, pursuant to board policy. Items not appearing on the agenda cannot, by law, be the subject of Board action. Such items may be placed on future agendas for full discussion and/or action.

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Roll Call Vote:

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- III. Presentation: Garrett Wong, Sustainability Division Manager, County of Santa Barbara will present the Microgrid Incentive program (MIP) grant program to explore the feasibility of an submit applications for projects in Cuyama. Presentation via Zoom today. **Pg. 1-5**
  
- IV. Informational Item: The district team led by Mrs. Angel Cannon applied for and will receive \$70,000 for the 2025-2026 and the 2026-2027 school years as a member of the Peer Leading and Learning Network (PLLN). Angel has been attending the required monthly meetings. Grace and I have also attended to learn more about the grant and to be of support to the CEI efforts. I want to keep the Board informed of the district's engagement with this grant. **Pg. 6-13**
  
- V. CVHS FFA report: Advisor Mrs. Cannon and CVHS FFA Officers
  
- VI. CVHS ASB report: Advisor Mrs. Cannon and CVHS ASB
  
- VII. ASB Elementary School & Jr. High School report – Mrs. Furstenfeld
  
- VIII. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Elementary Back to School Night-August 26
  
  - b. High School Back to School Night-September 3
  
  - c. Enrollment update
  
  - d. Sufficiency of Instructional Materials – Date for September: week of Sept. 23-26
  
  - e. Other
  
- IX. Board Reports

X. 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. Minutes of the Thursday, August 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting. **Pg. 14-23**
2. Checks Board Report and Warrants August 1-31, 2025. **Pg. 24-58**
3. Fundraiser: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade club jog-a-thon to raise money for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip. This event has been held previously for over 20 years. ASB advisor Nicole Furstenfeld is requesting the fundraiser to be held on November 14, 2025. Club contact is Khalil Reed. **Pg. 59-62**
4. Halloween Carnival – 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will host a Halloween carnival on October 31, 2025. ASB advisor Nicole Furstenfeld and Club contact is Khalil Reed. **Pg. 63-66**
5. Fundraiser: Librarian Noelle Brunelle proposes to hold a book sale on Sept. 12, 20 & on Oct. 11 and 25<sup>th</sup>. Book sales at CVHS during the day and a larger set available for sale at the home football game. Noelle has parent volunteers helping her with the book sales. **Pg. 67**
6. CVHS FFA Fundraiser: FFA is seeking to hold November/December Popcorn sales and Christmas Buckets to raise funds for FFA trips/events. **Pg. 68**
7. CVHS FFA Fundraiser: FFA is seeking to hold a Cuyama Valley Car Show at a TBA date to raise funds for FFA trips/events. **Pg. 69**
8. CVHS FFA Fundraiser: FFA is seeking to do a Christmas Parade and sell cookies & cocoa during December 2025 for FFA trips/events. **Pg. 70**
9. CVHS FFA Fundraiser: FFA is seeking to hold a school-based enterprise project/SAE: Floral Shop fundraiser all year for FFA trips/events. **Pg. 71**
10. CVHS FFA Fundraiser: FFA is seeking to sell FFA apparel sales all 2025-2026 school year for FFA trips/events. **Pg. 72**
11. CVHS FFA Fundraiser: FFA is seeking to hold 2 Drive thru BBQ events during the 2025-2026 school year for FFA trips/events at dates TBA. **Pg. 73**
12. CVHS FFA Fundraiser: FFA to hold a Fall Festival: Pumpkin sales, face painting, hayrides, food, etc. on October 24, 2025, for FFA trips/events. **Pg. 74**
13. CVHS ASB: ASB will run the athletic concessions (dates vary) at athletic events for fundraiser for ASB/class trips. **Pg. 75**
14. CVHS ASB: ASB will run a student store (all year 2025-2026) to sell apparel, accessories, school spirit stuff/items for ASB/Class trips/dances. **Pg. 76**
15. Donation: Audacious Foundation Executive Director Catherine Brozowski and the support of Ramsey Cronk, who will assist Nicole and me, with working within the Nature Explore plans. We are looking at fruit trees, olive trees, and a garden area or half barrels to grow more edibles, herbs, or other items from the plan. There is no financial commitment from the district, and the grant donation is \$20,000.00. **Pg. 77**

16. Facilities Request: Bre Sliker, the Climate Projects Manager, of the Community Environmental Council would like to use the Elementary School Cafeteria on Thursday, November 6, 2025, from 3 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for the community to learn about the Resilient Cuyama Valley Initiative where they will engage in organic conversations with partners and organizations to share feedback on priorities that they would like to address.

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17. Field Trip: The Head Start through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are requesting a pumpkin patch field trip to Cherry Acres Farm located at 4011 Wegis Avenue in Bakersfield. Paid for by Head Start (their portion), and field trip funds from previous fundraisers. Will need a bus and two vans. **Pg. 80-82**

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Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson \_\_\_\_\_ Jeffrey Mitchell \_\_\_\_\_

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#### XI. Action Items:

a. It is recommended that the board discuss and approve Mr. Funkhouser's resignation from the school board effective August 25, 2025. Mr. Funkhouser is to be commended for his dedication to the Cuyama Joint Unified School District.

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Roll Call Vote:

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b. It is recommended that the board discuss and declare obsolete/discard the list that includes Funk & Wagnalls New Encyclopedia Books 1-29 (1996)

Encyclopedia Britannica Books 1-10 (1986)

Who's Who among High School Students 1992-1997

The World Almanac 2001

Verbal Review for Standardized Tests

Collier's Encyclopedia Books 1-24

Encyclopedia of Careers and Vocational Guidance Volumes 1-4 (1990)

World Travel Guide (1999-2000)

Chase English Language Arts (two)

A series of sci-fi books by L. Ron Hubbard

Some Agatha Christie Novels (see photo)

Novels by Mary Higgins Clark and Harlan Coben (see photos)

This list of books is not being used or checked out by students.

Included to discard are also the top two shelves (split into two photos of older AR books, all about 20 years old. Noelle (Librarian) went through them and pull out the ones she thought students would be most interest in. **Pg. 83-86**

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Roll Call Vote:

Elaine Johnson \_\_\_\_\_

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c. It is recommended that the board discuss and approve the disposition of surplus property pursuant to Education Code 17546 consisting of 5-district vehicles. The vehicle list with their VIN numbers and picture of the vehicles is attached. **Pg. 87-91**

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Roll Call Vote:

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d. It is recommended that the board review and approve for Angel Cannon, Carlos Diaz, and Kevin Lebsack to apply for the CTE Facilities program (Prop 2 bond that California voters approved in November 2024) if they would like to pursue this competitive grant. \$600 million specifically allocated for CTE facilities through a competitive grant program. Business Manager Grace Griego will support the efforts if the team moves forward. Mr. Gamino also supports the team and will support the decision and the efforts. **Pg. 92-103**

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Roll Call Vote:

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- e. It is recommended that the board discuss and approve the revised LCAP. SBCEO requested that the district revise the LCAP to meet all four requirements for approval. The district incoming Business Manager and Mr. Gamino worked with SBCEO to revise

the LCAP and it now meets the requirements. The board needs to re-approve the LCAP. **Pg. 104-171**

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Roll Call Vote:

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f. It is recommended that the board discuss and adopt the 24-25 unaudited actuals. **Pg. 172-270**

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Roll Call Vote:

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g. It is recommended that the board discuss and adopt the Resolution for adopting the “GANN” LIMIT resolution #2025:20. The district must adopt a revised Gann Limit for the 2024-2025 fiscal year and a projected Gann Limit for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. **Pg. starting on page 271**

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Roll Call Vote:

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**XII. ITEM(S) PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:**

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Roll Call Vote:

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Roll Call Vote:

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Roll Call Vote:

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### XIII. CLOSED SESSION:

NOTE: The Brown 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 and hirings reported by the Superintendent.
- B. Negotiations as it relates to CUE/CTA – Consult with District negotiators Mr. Tim Salazar and/or Mr. Alfonso Gamino, authorized by Government Code section 3549.1

C. Negotiations as it relates to CSEA Cuyama Chapter #288 – Consult with District negotiators Mr. Tim Salazar and/or Mr. Alfonso Gamino, authorized by Government Code section 3549.1

The Board will adjourn into closed session at \_\_\_\_p.m.

The Board returned to open session at: \_\_\_\_p.m.

Report out from closed session

#### XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

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2nd By: \_\_\_\_\_

Roll Call Vote:

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Jeffrey Mitchell \_\_\_\_\_

Jeanette Rosales \_\_\_\_\_

Danielle Reynolds \_\_\_\_\_

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 9, 2025; 6:00 p.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://www.cuyamaunified.org/board-material-2025-2026>/using the "Click Here" links next to the date: 10/09/2025.