MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ALTA LOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO–WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025

OPEN SESSION, CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting was called to order by Board President Brad Buller at 6:00 PM. Present were members Buller, Chung, Davies, Hurley, and Martinez. Absent none.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

Mr. Buller led the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Buller read aloud the Public Comment Announcement.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried unanimously to adopt the agenda of the meeting, as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Mr. Chung, and carried with the following vote to approve the minutes of May 7, 2025 meeting, as presented

AYES:	4	(Buller, Chung, Hurley, Martinez)
NOES:	0	
ABSENT:	0	
ABSTAIN:	1	(Davies)

RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Student Recognition – Perfect CAASPP Score

Students who received a perfect score on their English Language Art (ELA) and Math CAASPP tests were recognized for their outstanding efforts. Those students received a certificate of excellence, a medal, and the opportunity to have their photo taken with their principal, Superintendent Smith and the Board of Trustees. These students were:

- Dmitri Alvarez, Math
- Olivia Anzalone, Math
- Breanna Argomido, ELA & Math
- Logan Barrett, Math
- Luke Beck, ELA
- Oona Bowman, ELA
- Joy Braum, ELA
- Ruohan Chen, ELA
- Oliver Clark, ELA
- Meghan Conlon, ELA
- Dyllen Costanza, Math
- Sophia DeLaRosa, ELA
- Tinley Drolet, ELA & Math
- Ari Friedman, ELA
- Karthik Garlapati, ELA
- Elizabella Green, ELA
- Claire Hagemann, ELA & Math
- Jennifer Hamilton, ELA
- Nora Hays, ELA

- Mengrong He, Math
- Addison Huang, ELA & Math
- Nicholas Huang, ELA
- Edward Jiang, Math
- Parker Johnson, ELA
- Anaya Jovellanos, ELA
- Thomas Kabia, Math
- Raymond Kim, ELA
- Natalia Kliegl, ELA
- Travis Knowles, Math
- Bowen Lang, Math
- William Li, ELA & Math
- Zedong Li, ELA
- Jude Moreno, Math
- Andrew Musharbash, Math
- Katy Namy, ELA
- Aberdeen Nguyen, ELA
- Ralunna Nnamonu, Math
- Melissa Palabiyikoglu, ELA
- Eloise Perkins, ELA
- Hunter Polk, ELA
- Joshua Rainsberry, Math
- Logan Rausch, Math
- Judah Rivera, ELA
- Logan Rodriguez, ELA
- Chloe Soliz, Math
- Tatum Stewart, ELA & Math
- Henry Takeuchi Chung, ELA
- Yimo Tang, ELA
- Emily Thomas, ELA
- Mason Thompson, Math
- Owen Vitt, Math
- Ariel Wang, ELA
- Yi Ru Wang, Math
- Taylor Wilhelm, ELA & Math
- Junhong Wu, ELA & Math
- Richard Zhang, ELA & Math
- Kwan Nga Zheng, ELA & Math
- Aidan Zhou, Math

PUBLIC COMMENT

Antoinette Jensen, raised concerns about a lack of transparency regarding a tuition decision for the C.H.A.M.P.S. Preschool Program. She questioned the legality of charging general education families when federal funding and public employees are being used. She argued that charging tuition to general education families constitutes double billing and violates federal inclusion laws, which require students with disabilities to be educated alongside typically developing peers. Jensen cited other districts, such as San Juan Capistrano, that offer similar models tuition free and stated that charging for access undermines the definition of public education.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

BOARD REPORTS

Board member Jessica Martinez …May 12th, attended a San Bernardino County Board of Education Meeting; shared concerns from members of the public about sound quality at meetings and legal risks surrounding public records; noted feedback about Board Policy 1340.

Board member Rebecca Davies …expressed gratitude for support while assisting her husband in cancer treatment; praised student achievement and District events.

Board member Dr. Malinda Hurley …May 9th thrilled to attend the TK Fashion Show and Open House at Jasper alongside Superintendent Smith, and Carnelian's Open House with Associate Superintendent Eric Hart and Principal Williams; Trustee Hurley is grateful for our teachers who inspire students to reach their full potential; thanked Principal Peralta and Assistant Superintendent Cara Cerecerez for the exceptional open house tour highlighting our students' academic and artistic accomplishments; gave kudos to Dr. Christina Pierce and Principal Jauss for an inspiring open house featuring exceptional culminating projects that highlighted the remarkable growth and learning of our students throughout the 2024-2025 school year; May 15th attended Alta Loma Junior High's first theatrical performance; it was an uplifting experience, filled with high-energy singing, dancing and humorous moments that left the audience inspired.

Board member Eric Chung . . . highlighted Alta Loma Junior High School's musical performance and Stork Elementary sixth grade promotion; praised staff and the community for all the end of the year celebrations.

Board member Brad Buller …thanked his fellow Trustees for being present in the community and attending many events; had the opportunity to attend the Powderpuff Game, it was a delight.

SUPERINTENDENT & STAFF REPORTS

Dr. Smith shared deep gratitude for families, staff, and students, and highlighted both junior high schools theater programs. Dr. Smith discussed the Districtwide surveys she sent and clarified that the open-ended survey to staff will be personally read by her, but the site level surveys evaluating principals and assistant principals are anonymous. Clarification will be sent to reassure staff of survey anonymity and the intent of the survey, to identify growth areas via theme-based summaries.

Assistant Superintendent Cerecerez updated the Board on the Resident Substitutes Program. Cerecerez reviewed the origin and purpose of the Resident Substitute program and highlighted three categories of sub use: full day, partial day and unassigned coverage. Mrs. Cerecerez shared photos of the resident subs and their integration into the school communities. She reviewed the new legal updates and the interpretation of the new update suggests that long term site assigned subs could qualify for probationary teaching status. The recommendation moving forward is to reduce the program by half and retain 6 resident subs, centralizing 4 subs Districtwide and assigning 1 per junior high school.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Chung, and carried with the following vote to adopt the following Consent Calendar items and pull Items L. 4. & L. 5. for a separate discussion and vote.

Vendor Agreements
Approved agreements with the following vendors, and authorized Sherry Smith and/or applicable administrators to sign all related documents:
1) All City Management; 2) American School Counselor Association; 3) CASBO; 4) Visser Bus Services.

Board Payment Report
Approved the Board Payment Report

Routine Personnel Items
Approved employment, terminations, resignations, leaves and temporary assignments, as presented.

Job Descriptions
First Reading and Action was taken to amend job descriptions
Junior High Assistant Principal – Student Services
Junior High Assistant Principal – Curriculum and Instruction

Agreement with Chaffey Community College
Approved the agreement with Chaffey Community College and authorized Superintendent Sherry Smith and/or Assistant Superintendent Cara Cerecerez to sign all related documents.

Agreement with California State University, Fullerton
Approved the agreement with California State University, Fullerton and authorized Superintendent Sherry smith and/or Assistant Superintendent Cara Cerecerez to sign all related documents.

Agreement with San Diego State University Research
Approved the Unpaid Dietetic Internship Affiliation Agreement with San Diego State University Research Foundation and authorized Superintendent Sherry Smith, and/or Associate Superintendent Eric Hart to sign all related documents.

Item L. 4 Board Policies
A second reading and discussion was held. The Board agreed to add "in person" to the last paragraph of BP 1340 – Access to District Records, with the paragraph reading "In order to help maintain the security of District records, members of the public granted ***in person*** access shall examine records in the presence of a District staff member.

Moved by Ms. Davies, seconded by Mr. Chung and carried with the following vote to amend the Board Policies listed below.

BP 1340 – Access to District Records
BP 3311 – Bids
BP 3312 - Contracts
BP 3314.3 – Use of District Credit Cards
BP 3516.5 – Emergency Schedules
BP 3580 – District Records
BP 4151/4251/4351 – Employee Compensation
BP 4158/4258/4358 – Employee Security
BP 5125 – Student Records
BP 5131 – Conduct
BP 5131.8 – Mobile Communication Devices

BP 5145.3 – Nondiscrimination/Harassment
BP 5145.7 – Sexual Harassment and Sex-Based Harassment
BP 5145.13 – Response to Immigration Enforcement
BP 6145 – Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities
BP 6163.4 – Student Use of Technology

AYES:	4	(Buller, Chung, Davies, Hurley)
NOES:	1	(Martinez)
ABSENT:	0	
ABSTAIN:	0	

Item L. 5 Board Bylaw
A second reading and discussion was held.

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried with the following vote to amend Board Bylaws 9224 – Oath or Affirmation, and Board Bylaw 9260 – Legal Protection

AYES:	4	(Buller, Chung, Davies, Hurley)
NOES:	1	(Martinez)
ABSENT:	0	
ABSTAIN:	0	

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

2025-2026 School Plan for Student Achievement
Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried unanimously to approve the 2025-2026 School Plan for Student Achievement for all District schools.

Benchmark-Adelante Spanish Curriculum
Dr. Pierce gave an overview of the DLI Program and the timeline the taskforce used to select the Benchmark-Adelante Spanish Curriculum for adoption for the Dual Language Immersion Program.

Moved by Mr. Chung, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried unanimously to approve Benchmark-Adelante Spanish /curriculum for the Dual Immersion Program, Grades K-2 and authorized Superintendent Sherry Smith and/or Associate Superintendent Eric Hart to sign all related documents.

BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Job Description – First Reading
Proposition 28 Instructor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The date of the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 6:00 PM at the Alta Loma School District Support Center, 9390 Base Line Road and will include a public hearing for the District's Local Control Accountability Plan.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 8:14 PM for the purpose of discussing matters expressly authorized by Government Code Section §3549.1, §54956.9, §54956.9(d), §54957, and §54957.6.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.