

**SANTA CRUZ VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #840
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES – JULY 8, 2026**

REGULAR MEETING

DATE/TIME/PLACE

The Santa Cruz Valley Union High School District Governing Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, July 8, 2026, in the Santa Cruz Library, Community Room, at 1000 N. Main Street in Eloy, AZ 85131.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Ysaguirre called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

THOSE PRESENT

Emilio Ysaguirre, President; Jerry Olveda, Vice President; Jordan Davis, Member; Ralph Moran, Member; Chrystal Reyes, Superintendent; Elizabeth Ibarra, Business Manager; and Mirian Avilez, Administrative Assistant. Billy Brown, Member was absent.

RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Johnny Lopez recognized the Facilities and Maintenance Department staff for their outstanding service and dedication to the District. Certificates of appreciation were presented to Alma Rodriguez, Roger Stubblefield, Lisette Portillo, Paula Ruiz Rios, Luis Cervantes, and Jose Huerta in recognition of their continued commitment, exceptional performance, and valuable contributions.

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Mr. Moran MOVED to adopt the agenda as presented, with a SECOND by Mr. Olveda.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no requests to address the Governing Board during Call to the Public.

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. Business Manager's Report – *Ms. Elizabeth Ibarra*

Ms. Ibarra presented her monthly report to the Governing Board. She reported the District Office is in the process of closing the current fiscal year and preparing for the new fiscal year. She informed the Board of the current vacancies, which include Certified Nursing Assistant, Accounts Payable/Payroll Clerk, Culinary Arts Paraprofessional, and Art Teacher. Ms. Ibarra also noted that the FY 26/27 Adopted Budget was being presented with no changes from the previously proposed budget. The Governing Board had no further questions or comments.

2. Food Service Director's Report – *Mr. Ricardo Cazares*

Mr. Cazares did not submit a monthly report. Mrs. Reyes informed the Governing Board that Mr. Cazares was prepared for the upcoming school year and was actively assisting with student registration while ensuring eligible students were enrolled in the Free and Reduced Lunch Program.

3. Facilities Director's Report – *Mr. Johnny Lopez*

Mr. Lopez submitted his work order report and facility use report for the month of June. He reported that staff are implementing the new SFB portal and that the stadium bleachers had recently undergone inspection. The inspection identified significant repairs necessary to bring the bleachers into compliance with safety standards. Mr. Ysaguirre inquired whether community volunteers could assist with the required repairs. Mr. Lopez explained that while certain maintenance projects may be completed by District personnel, performing the bleacher repairs in-house would place liability on the District in the event of an incident. He further explained that contracting the work to a qualified vendor would transfer responsibility and liability to the contractor. The Governing Board had no further questions or comments.

4. Athletic Director's Report – *Mr. Michael Ibarra*

Mr. Ibarra submitted the football and volleyball schedules for the upcoming fall season. The Governing Board had no questions or comments.

5. Transportation Director's Report – *Mr. Michael Jimenez*

Mr. Jimenez presented his monthly report and stated that all transportation services for the previous school year had concluded. He reported that he is currently developing a departmental handbook in preparation for the upcoming school year. Mr. Moran requested an update regarding the proposed safety routes. Mr. Jimenez explained that the required paperwork had not yet been finalized and that final bus routes would be determined after student registration concluded to accurately assess transportation needs. Mr. Moran also inquired about the District's bus inspection process. Mr. Jimenez responded that annual inspections are conducted by the Arizona Department of Public Safety and reported that the District's fleet successfully passed the inspections with no deficiencies. The Governing Board had no further questions or comments.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of the FY 26/27 Adopted Expenditure Budget and Summary of Expenditure Budget.

Mr. Olveda MOVED to approve the FY 26/27 Adopted Expenditure Budget and Summary of Expenditure Budget, with a SECOND by Mr. Davis.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

SUPERINTENDENTS ITEMS

1. Monthly Report

Mrs. Reyes presented her monthly report to the Governing Board. She reported that District administration is actively preparing for the upcoming school year and completing year-end transition activities. Mrs. Reyes informed the Board that student registration began on Monday, July 6, and that participation had been strong. She noted that a significant number of families were expected to attend registration on Thursday, the final scheduled day of the registration event. In response to an inquiry from Mr. Ysaguirre regarding late registration, Mrs. Reyes explained that students who were unable to attend during the scheduled registration period would have the opportunity to register the following week by appointment. She added that many students typically complete the registration process during that time due to missing the initial registration dates. The Governing Board had no further questions or comments.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

1. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Michael Ibarra as the Activities Supervisor and Athletic Director for FY 26/27.

Mr. Moran MOVED to approve Michael Ibarra as the Activities Supervisor and Athletic Director for FY26/27, with a SECOND by Mr. Olveda.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

2. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of all Extra Duty Stipends for the District for FY 26/27.

Mr. Moran MOVED to approve all Extra Duty Stipends for the District for FY 26/27, with a SECOND by Mr. Davis.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

3. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Buy Back Prep Periods for Nico Flores and Eva Miles for FY 26/27.

Mr. Moran MOVED to approve Buy Back Prep Periods for Nico Flores and Eva Miles for FY 26/27, with a SECOND by Mr. Olveda.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

4. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval to hire Certified Teaching Staff listed for FY 26/27.
 - Raoul Perales

Mr. Moran MOVED to approve hiring Certified Teaching Staff listed for FY 26/27, with a SECOND by Mr. Davis.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

5. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of Employee Staffing Agreement through Educational Services, LLC.

Mr. Moran MOVED to approve the Employee Staffing Agreement through Educational Services, LLC, with a SECOND by Mr. Olveda.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval for ratification of the expenditures identified in the Auxiliary Operations Fund Report for June 2026.
2. Approval for ratification of the expenditures identified in the Student Activities Account Report for June 2026.
3. Approval for ratification of payroll and expense vouchers for June 2026.

Payroll:		Expenses:	
# 36	\$ 82,563.19	# 2636	\$ 130,816.00
# 37	\$ 204,698.67	# 2637	\$ 61,159.78
# 38	\$ 70,867.94	# 2638	\$ 80,764.21
# 39	\$ 56,258.64	# 2639	\$ 22,517.01
# 40	\$ 57,500.57	#2640	\$ 29,751.28
# 41	\$ 14,805.00		
Total Payroll	\$ 486,694.01	Total Expenses	\$ 325,008.28
GRAND TOTAL: \$ 811,702.29			

4. Approval of the Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes from June 8, 2026.
5. Approval of June Donations.
6. Approval of Cash Fund Drawer in the amount of \$300 from Auxiliary Account (A-Z #35) for FY 26/27.
7. Approval of the IGA between Data Processing Services and the Santa Cruz Valley Union High School from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.
8. Approval for ratification of stipend payment to returning teachers for completion of Simple K12 trainings.
9. Approval of Student Activity Fundraisers for FY 26/27.
10. Approval of a one-year extension for Advisent, formally CWDL, for auditing services for FY 26/27.

Mr. Olveda MOVED to approve Consent Items I.1 – I.10, with a SECOND by Mr. Davis

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Michael Ibarra announced that Homecoming Week for the 2026–2027 school year will be held October 12–16, 2026. He also informed the Governing Board that the Homecoming Football Game is scheduled for Friday, October 16, 2026.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Mr. Moran inquired about the work session that had been scheduled for 5:00 p.m. prior to the Regular Governing Board Meeting. Mrs. Reyes explained that she arrived before the scheduled start time and waited for the Governing Board members; however, no members were present. She noted that there may have been a misunderstanding regarding the scheduled work session. Mrs. Reyes recommended rescheduling the work session for Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., immediately preceding the Regular Governing Board Meeting. The Governing Board members confirmed that the proposed date and time were acceptable. Mrs. Reyes also requested that the September Regular Governing Board Meeting be rescheduled from Wednesday, September 9, 2026, to Tuesday, September 8, 2026, due to the Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) Law Conference, which was scheduled for September 9–11, 2026, and conflicted with the previously scheduled meeting date. The Governing Board members agreed to the proposed date change. There were no further questions or comments from the Governing Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Moran MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 PM, with a SECOND by Mr. Davis.

MOTION CARRIED: Mr. Ysaguirre – aye; Mr. Olveda – aye; Mr. Davis – aye; Mr. Moran – aye.

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

Emilio Ysaguirre, President

Jerry Olveda, Vice President

Billy Brown, Member

Jordan Davis, Member

Ralph Moran, Member

Date Approved: _____