

REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Location: 750 Bradford Street, Redwood City, California, 94063

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to Order

President Weekly called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

1. Roll Call

Present at the Closed Session Board Meeting: President David Weekly, Vice President Cecilia Márquez; Trustees Jennifer Ng Kwing King, David Li, and Mike Wells

2. Public Comment on Closed Session Items Only

None.

3. Announcement of Closed Session Purpose - 1 min

The School Board adjourned to Closed Session for a Conference with Labor Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6

4. Closed Session – 6:30 PM

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54957.6)
District- Designated Representatives: David Li, Board Member; David Weekly, Board Member
Unrepresented Employee: Superintendent (Prospective)

5. Reconvene to Open Session at approximately 7:00 PM

The School Board reconvened to Open Session at 7:00 PM

1. Roll Call

Present at the Regular Board Meeting: President David Weekly, Vice President Cecilia Márquez; Trustees Jennifer Ng Kwing King, David Li, and Mike Wells; and Superintendent Baker

Others present during the Regular Board Meeting: Assistant Superintendent Anna Herrera, Deputy Superintendent Wendy Kelly, Chief Business Official Rick Edson, Patrinia Redd, Phoebe Reid-Chambers, Lisa Cox, and Ann Lucero from the Health and Wellness Department, Instructional Coaches Bronia Whipp and Laura Pulido, Itzel Gloria, and others.

2. Report Out on Closed Session from January 14, 2026

No action was taken.

6. Welcome

Board President Weekly welcomed those present.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

The School Board participated in a student-led Pledge of Allegiance.

7. Changes to the Agenda

None.

8. Approval of the Agenda

The School Board approved the agenda as submitted (Li, Márquez; 5-0).

Trustee Wells (Ayes)

Trustee Li (Ayes)

Trustee King (Ayes)

Vice President Márquez (Ayes)

President Weekly (Ayes)

9. Public Comment

The School Board received a comment from a parent in the Mandarin immersion program. The parent expressed concerns about the district's limited support and funding for the Mandarin curriculum and teacher training, noting parents' fundraising efforts for the parcel tax initiative. She highlighted the essential role of their curriculum consultant, Pearl, and requested that staff be invited to present to the board to clarify the program's work and needs.

1. Labor Association Comments

The Redwood City Teachers' Association President addressed the School Board and expressed concern regarding the budget cut proposal and class size maximums caused by teacher reduction efforts.

The California School Employees Association President addressed the School Board to suggest that Instructional Assistants and Paraeducators be trained alongside teachers, expressing frustration with district guidelines for sick students, and announced her retirement

10. School/Community Reports

1. Health and Wellness Program Report

The Health and Wellness Program leaders, Patrinia Redd, Phoebe Reid-Chambers, Lisa Cox, and Ann Lucero, provided the School Board with a report on the Redwood City School District's Health and Wellness Program goals, core services, and day-to-day overview. Redd expressed appreciation for the Health and Wellness Committee, composed of staff, partners, and students. The School Board Trustees engaged in discussion, asked clarifying questions, and provided feedback on the data presented. Topics discussed included counselors' and nurses' overload,

Sonrisas dental pilot program at Garfield, student health and the PE program, funding sources, and funding challenges. The Board members and Superintendent Baker also expressed appreciation for the presentation and the department's commitment to the health and wellness of the district's students.

2. Presentation on California Reading Literacy Project (CRLP)

Instructional Coaches Bronia Whipp and Laura Pulido reported to the school board on the CRLP's training purpose, which is to improve student outcomes, the project timeline, goals, and teacher feedback.

The School Board Trustees engaged in discussion, asked clarifying questions, and provided feedback/suggestions on the data presented. Topics discussed included shared resources and crowdsourcing, coaching and collaborative planning time, parent resources and tools to support learning at home, the anticipated timeline for evaluating effectiveness and indicators of student success, as well as reading comprehension and assessments, and the importance of improving literacy. The Trustees and Superintendent Baker expressed appreciation for the presentation and the ongoing work to improve student outcomes.

11. Approval of Consent Items

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and are acted upon by the Board in one motion. The School Board approved all items listed under Consent (Wells, Li; 5-0), taking the following action:

1. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 0510: School Accountability Report Card
2. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 1100: Communication with The Public
3. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 1340: Access to District Records
4. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 1112: Media Relations
5. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 4235: Soliciting and Selling
6. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 4335: Soliciting and Selling
7. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5113.12: District School Attendance Review Board
8. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5125: Student Records
9. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 0430: Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education
10. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 6159: Individualized Education Program
11. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6159.2: Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education
12. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6159.3: Appointment of Surrogate Parent for Special Education Students
13. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 5145.11: Questioning and Apprehension by Law Enforcement
14. Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 6162.51: State Academic Achievement Tests

15. Approval of the December 13, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes
16. Approval of the Addendum to the Measure U Application for Taft Community School for the 2025-2026 School Year
17. Approval of the Addendum to the Measure U Application for Clifford School for the 2025- 2026 School Year
18. Approval of the Personnel Report
19. Approval of the 2025-2026 School Year Classified Seniority Report
20. Approval of the 2025-2026 School Year Certificated Seniority Report
21. Approval of Personnel Increase
22. Approval of the Agreement between Redwood City School District and the County of San Mateo for the 2025-2026 School Year
23. Approval of Equipment Purchase Approval Request (EPAR) for the use of California State Preschool (CSPS) Contract Funds for Classroom Assessment Consultant
24. Approval of the Student Instructional Calendar for the 2026-2027 School Year
25. Ratification of Warrant Registers, December 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Trustee Wells (Ayes)
 Trustee Li (Ayes)
 Trustee King (Ayes)
 Vice President Márquez (Ayes)
 President Weekly (Ayes)

12. Action Items

1. Adoption of Resolution No. 15, Approval of Education Code Option for Teaching Assignment

Deputy Superintendent Wendy explained that this item was being presented later in the school year due to a mid-year resignation.

The School Board adopted Resolution No. 15, Approval of Education Code Option for Teaching Assignment (Wells Li; 5-0). The Education Code Option for the teaching assignment was approved for:

NAME	SITE	CREDENTIAL	GRADE	ASSIGNMENT	ED Code/Local
MCMANUS, CAITLIN	MIT	MULTIPLE SUBJECT	6-8	ENGLISH	44256(b)

Trustee Wells (Ayes)
 Trustee Li (Ayes)
 Trustee King (Ayes)
 Vice President Márquez (Ayes)
 President Weekly (Ayes)

2. Approval of Declaration of Need for the 2026-2027 School Year

Deputy Superintendent Wendy Kelly provided an overview of the Declaration of Need compliance item, explaining that it is a form reporting the estimated number of emergency permit and limited assignment teachers to be employed for the school year.

The School Board approved the Declaration of Need for the 2026-2027 School Year (Márquez, Wells; 5-0)

Trustee Wells (Ayes)
Trustee Li (Ayes)
Trustee King (Ayes)
Vice President Márquez (Ayes)
President Weekly (Ayes)

13. Board and Superintendent Reports

Trustee Wells had nothing to report.

Trustee Li reported on attended events, including the SMCSBA meeting, Policy Committee meeting, Orion School site visit, and the Superintendent's Advisory Council meeting.

Trustee King reported attending the Policy and Health and Wellness Committee meetings.

Vice President Márquez reported attending the Superintendent's Advisory Council meeting.

President Weekly reported making a school site visit to Hoover School and attending the Juvenile Justice Prevention and Action Conference in San Mateo.

Superintendent Baker reported conducting education rounds at MIT, Hoover, Taft, and Roosevelt schools.

14. Information

1. Quarterly Williams Report, 2nd Quarter, October 2025 through December 2025

No questions or comments.

15. Correspondence

Trustee Li reported receiving correspondence from an Orion teacher regarding the budget.

16. Other Business/Suggested Items for Future Agenda

Trustee Li requested the addition of a discussion item regarding the possibility of creating a one-page executive summary for state-mandated documents, such as the SARC and SPSA.

17. Board of Trustees Meeting Reflection

The Board reflected on the effectiveness of the meeting, noting strengths in the improved presentation format, which allowed for more time for Board discussion. Areas for improvement included reminding trustees to remain mindful of the topic under discussion and to stay on topic, in order to be respectful of presenters and meeting time.

18. Board of Trustees Meeting Calendar

No new changes.

19. Adjournment

The School Board adjourned the meeting at 9:17 PM (Li, Márquez; 5-0).

Jennifer Ng Kwing King, Board Clerk