



CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 28JT

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Hybrid Format

Board and key staff at CSD District Office

Guests attended via the Zoom App

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

Regular Meeting at 6:30 pm

The following Board of Directors were present at the meeting:

Pam Shields	Position 7 - At Large (<i>Attended Virtually</i>)
Michael Newman	Position 6 - At Large
Will Mohring	Position 3 - Zone 3
Melissa Standley	Position 4 - At Large
Ronald "Jess" Hardin	Position 2 - Zone 2

Absent members were: David Linn and Rose Solowski

The following District administrative team members were in attendance:

James Owens	Superintendent
Dr. Tasha Katsuda	Assistant Superintendent
Paul Southerton	Director of Finance & Operations
Denise Wright	Director of Student Services
April Olson	Director of Curriculum & Student Learning
Christine Andregg	Chief Communications Officer
Marin Miller	CHS Principal
Missy Grindle	Executive Assistant (<i>Attended Virtually</i>)

1. CALL TO ORDER - Vice Chair Mohring

Vice Chair Mohring called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

1. Approval of October 8 2025 Board Meeting Agenda

Director Standley moved to approve the October 8, 2025 agenda as presented. Director Newman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. INTRODUCTION OF GUEST (Optional)

1. Centennial Transportation Director, Suzanne Cummings & Transportation Supervisor, Massimiliano Bruschi

Superintendent Owens introduced Suzanne Cummings, the new Transportation Director and Massimiliano Burschi, the new Transportation Supervisor. He provided a brief overview of their past experiences. Each of them shared their excitement to be part of the District and work they are doing in the Transportation Department.

2. Dining Services Award - James Owens, Superintendent

The Superintendent recognized the district's Dining Services Team for receiving the Healthy Meals Incentive recognition from the U.S. Department of Agriculture in honor of their innovative strategies supporting healthy school meals. Director Kim Burns and

Nutrition & Wellness Coordinator Pia Watzig shared with the Board the work being done in this area and provided an overview of how the team earned this national recognition. Board members also had the opportunity to sample selected menu items prior to the meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. *Approval of September 24, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes*

Director Newman moved to approve the September 24, 2025 minutes as presented. Director Standley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC FORUM - *Vice Chair Mohring*

Drew Rosa, Centennial Education Association (CEA) President updated the board about CEA activities including CEA contract negotiations.

5. REPORTS

1. *Student Representative Report - CHS Students, Yahir Castro and Easton Hopkin*

They reported on the following:

- Homecoming events; specifically:
 - Assembly - Including recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month
 - Parade
 - Tailgate
 - Half time events during the game
 - Dance

2. *Personal Electronic Devices Update- April Olson, Director of Curriculum & Student Learning*

Superintendent Owens provided an overview of the continued work taking place in this area, noting that additional reference materials were available in BoardBook outlining actions taken by adjacent districts and further research conducted by Chair Shields.

Director Olson presented survey data that had been collected, highlighting themes that emerged from parents, staff, and students. Superintendent Owens also shared participation numbers for the survey. Vice Chair Mohring reminded the group that the Governor's order requires districts to have a policy in place by October 31, and that this item will return for a second reading at the next meeting.

Each Board member shared their perspectives and asked questions regarding the information presented. Student Board Representatives also contributed by sharing their experiences related to the use of devices..

3. *Superintendent Report - James Owens, Superintendent*

Superintendent Owens reported on the following topics:

- National Principals Month
- National School Lunch Week - October 13-17, 2025
- National School Bus Safety Week - October 20-24, 2025
- International Walk & Bike to School Day; Powell Butte Elementary
- Homecoming
- Equity Focused Professional Learning Series
- Affirming Commitment to Safe & Welcoming Schools
- Transportation Waiver Approval (*for Oliver Middle School, Parklane Elementary, and Patric Lynch Elementary*)

- OSBA Fall Regional Dinner
- District Office Display: Parklane Elementary

The group discussed the transportation waiver in greater detail and the possibility of exploring other options for schools within the district in future years.

6. CONFIRMATION ITEMS

There was discussion regarding the development of the school calendar and consideration of revising it in the upcoming year for the ease of families to read.

Director Standley moved to approve confirmation items as presented. Director Hardin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

1. **Site Council Minutes**
2. **Miscellaneous Items**
 1. *Revised 2025-26 School Year Calendar for Pre K - 8 & CTC*
3. **Financial Statements**
 1. *June 2025 Financial Statement*
 2. *July 2025 Financial Statement*
4. **Enrollment Reports**
 1. *Class Size Analysis*
 2. *Student Count*
5. **Human Resources**
 1. *2024-25 Superintendent Evaluation Summary*
 2. *Approve Employment of Licensed Staff*
6. **Business/Operations**
 1. *Sole Source Contract Approval - Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc*
 2. *Sole Source Contract Approval - Cascade Specialized Nursing, LLC*
7. **Board Policies (Deletions/Legal Reference Changes Only)**
 1. *KBA AR - Public Records*
8. **Student Services**
9. **Student Travel**

Vice Chair Mohring called for a break at 7:32pm; Reconvening at 7:36 pm

7. BOARD ACTION ITEMS - Chair Shields

1. OLD BUSINESS

1. *2025-26 Superintendent Evaluation Discussion*

The Board discussed the importance of reviewing and evaluating the superintendent's progress toward established goals and examining the flow of the evaluation timeline. Superintendent Owens shared the year-long evaluation schedule. Vice Chair Mohring and Chair Shields recommended maintaining the current process for this year and revisiting potential changes next year. Board members agreed with this approach. Chair Shields referenced OSBA's guidance and confirmed that keeping the process status quo for one year will allow for comparison and support targeted progress.

2. NEW BUSINESS

1. *First Read of Policies (with option to adopt) CEA - Educational Equity Advisory Committee - Dr Tahsa Katsuda, Assistant Superintendent*

Dr. Katsuda shared the proposed policy CEA - Educational Equity Advisory. She indicated this is a new policy due to recent legislative changes; which shifted the committee from one of Boards to a Superintendent committee. Each Board member shared their thoughts on the proposed policy. Chair Shields moved to adopt the policy amending it by eliminating the footnote and bracketed language. Director Standley seconded the motion. The motion to adopt this policy as amended, passed unanimously.

2. *First Read of Policies JFCEB (and AR) - Personal Electronic Devices (PED) - April Olson, Director of Curriculum & Student Learning*
Vice Chair Mohring reminded the group the proposed policy and AR are presented as first read. Director Olson explained the Governor's Executive Order requires the adoption of a PED policy by October 31st. She walked the group through the presented documents, highlighting the specific language in the proposed policy and recommendation for deletion of the current policy.

Board members discussed in great detail where electronic devices should be stored, the exemption process and the need for consistency across grade levels.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - Vice Chair Will Mohring

Superintendent Owens mentioned a number of items that will be included at next month's Board meetings, including:

- Division 22 annual report
- Possibly interview budget committee candidates
- Second Read and adoption of Personal Electronic Devices policy and AR.

There were no questions regarding upcoming future agenda items. Board members talked about the CHS Fall Theatre production and expressed their appreciation for all the hard work that was put into the homecoming event.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Morhing adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.