



CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 28JT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Hybrid Format

Board and key staff at CSD District Office

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

Executive Session at 5:30 pm

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
Rose Solowski	Position 5 - At Large
Ronald "Jess" Hardin	Position 2 - Zone 2
Melissa Standley	Position 4 - At Large

Absent members were: David Linn

The following District administrative team members were in attendance:

James Owens	Superintendent
Dr. Tasha Katsuda	Assistant Superintendent
Paul Southerton	Director of Business & 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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Centennial School District Governing Board met in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated to carry on labor negotiations.

Vice Chair Mohring called the executive session to order at 7:42 pm. Attendees include: Chair Shields (virtually), Vice Chair Mohring, Director Solowski, Director Hardin, Director Standley and Director Newman.

Superintendent Owens, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Katsuda, Director Southerton, Chief Communications Officer Andregg, Executive Assistant Grindle and CDR Labor Law Attorney, Chris Duckworth were also present.

The group discussed labor negotiations and next steps.

Vice Chair Mohring adjourned the executive session at 6:03 pm.

1. CALL TO ORDER -

Vice Chair Mohring called the regular business meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

1. Approval of April 8, 2026 Board Meeting Agenda

Director Solowski moved to approve the April 8th meeting agenda with flexibility. Director Standley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Due to having young students in attendance, Vice Chair Mohring adjusted the agenda to have the Pleasant Valley School Report come first.

- 2. PLEASANT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT - Christina Anderson, Principal**
Superintendent Owens introduced Pleasant Valley Principal Christina Anderson, who in turn introduced four students in attendance. Ms. Anderson described the school's strong focus on literacy, and the presentation featured several examples of how students are developing their reading skills. The students also shared what they are learning through each of the activities presented.

Board members expressed their appreciation for the report and the schoolwide emphasis on literacy, and they asked the students several follow-up questions.

3. INTRODUCTION OF GUEST (Optional)

1. Arab-American Heritage Month Proclamation

Board Members each read a portion of the proclamation into the record acknowledging April as Arab-American Heritage Month.

2. Centennial High School Winter Athlete and MESA Recognition

Superintendent Owens welcomed CHS Athletic Director and Assistant Principal, Daunte Gouge to the meeting. He introduced the attending coaches and recognized the Winter student athletes and coaches who achieved high honors. The Board extended their congratulations to the group and conveyed their appreciation for their dedication and efforts.

Vice Chair Mohring called for a break at 7:17 pm; resuming the meeting at 7:27 pm.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of March 11, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

Director Standley moved to approve the March 11, 2026 minutes as presented. Director Newman seconded the motion. Director Solowski abstained from voting, due to her absence at the March 11th meeting. The motion passed with five affirming votes.

5. PUBLIC FORUM - Chair Shields

The following individuals provided public testimony:

Cassidy Rogers Drew Rosa

6. REPORTS

1. Student Representative Report - CHS Student, Easton Hopkins and Yahir Castro

The Student Board Representatives were not in attendance.

2. Roadmap '27; Second Trimester Update - Dr. Tasha Katsuda, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Katsuda provided a mid-year update on progress toward the district's five strategic goals in alignment with Roadmap '27. Data reviewed included academic performance, student survey results, attendance, and early indicators of post-secondary readiness.

From the data, she highlighted that student performance trends from fall to winter remained largely stable, with some modest improvement noted in upper grades. Elementary literacy and math outcomes continue to be an area of focus, as current performance remains below long-term targets.

Student survey results indicate generally positive relationships with adults and strong effort in learning. However, a decline in sense of belonging and school enjoyment was noted at the secondary level. Attendance rates remain below desired benchmarks.

Secondary academic data shows slight improvement in reading and math, though performance continues below established goals. Early indicators related to graduation and post-secondary readiness are below target, with ongoing work in progress.

She reported continued implementation of key strategies, including Professional Learning Communities (PLCs), structured literacy, multi-tiered systems of support, data-informed instruction, culturally responsive practices, and transition supports.

Board Members asked questions and commented on the following: strategies to improve student belonging, academic growth, progress monitoring, addressing attendance challenges and when improvement can be expected.

3. ***Superintendent Report - James Owens, Superintendent***

Superintendent Owens reported on the following topics:

- District Office Art Display from Pleasant Valley Elementary
- Arab American Heritage Month
- School Library Month
- Autism Awareness Month
- Connect to Kindergarten - May 7, 2026
- Facility Advisory Committee Meeting #2

Board Members provided general comments on the presented topics.

7. CONFIRMATION ITEMS

Director Solowski moved to approve confirmation items as presented. Director Standley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with five affirming votes. Director Newman was not present at the time of the vote.

1. ***Site Council Minutes***
2. ***Miscellaneous Items***
3. ***Financial Statements***
 1. *December 2025 Financial Statement*
 2. *January 2026 Financial Statement*
4. ***Enrollment Reports***
 1. *Student Count*
 2. *Class Size Analysis*
5. ***Human Resources***
 1. *Approve Employment of Licensed Administrator*
 2. *Approve Retirement of Licensed Staff Members*

3. *Approve Resignation of Licensed Staff Member*
6. **Business/Operations**
 1. *Appoint Pauly, Rogers & Co., to Audit the 2025-26 Fiscal Year Financial Statements*
 2. *Award Copy Machine RFP*
 3. *Award Powell Butte Classroom Improvement Project*
7. **Board Policies (Deletions/Legal Reference Changes Only)**
8. **Student Services**
9. **Student Travel**

8. BOARD ACTION ITEMS - Chair Shields

1. OLD BUSINESS

1. Updates from Superintendent Committees
Vice Chair Mohring reminded the group of the previous discussed policy committee and asked for an update from each facilitator:
 - *BHD - Board Member Compensation and Expense Reimbursement* - Vice Chair Mohring (in Director Linn's absence) reported they plan to meet next week to discuss this policy
 - *BK - Evaluation of Board Operational Procedures* - Director Newman shared the team met and will be bringing a revised policy to the upcoming work session
 - *DBEA - Budget Committee* - Director Solowski shared the group is almost ready to bring a draft to the Board at an upcoming meeting.
 - *IIC/IICA - Field Trips and Excursions* - Director Standley indicated they are collecting information from all schools and hope to streamline the process across the district.

The Board discussed forming a small work group to re-establish a collaborative process for receiving the CEA report, which will include: Director Standley, Director Newman, Vice Chair Mohring, and Dr. Katsuda along with a representative from CEA; then report back to the full board. There was also interest in inviting OSEA to participate.

Members asked about the history of prior engagement with both groups and why it ended. It was noted that past meetings were discontinued due to limited effectiveness and lack of open, productive dialogue.

The Board emphasized the need for the work group to clearly define its purpose and goals to ensure the process is useful and meaningful moving forward, noting that leadership changes contributed to the prior effort losing momentum.

2. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider Ratification of ECBC/CEA and CSD Contract Agreement - *Dr. Tasha Katsuda, Assistant Superintendent*
Director Solowski moved to approve the ratification of the ECBC /CEA and CSD Contract Agreement (and accompanying MOU) effective July 1, 2026 through

June 30, 2028. Director Standley seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and each Board Member voted in favor of the motion.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

- First Budget Committee Meeting scheduled for 6:00pm (virtual)
- Work Session Scheduled to start directly after, at approximately 7:30pm
- Teacher Appreciation Week Recognition
- Long-Range Facility Planning mid-process update from DLR
- 2025-26 School Year Calendars
- 2025-26 Board Meeting Calendar Discussion

Director Hardin shared that Centennial Youth Football is accepting donations to fund their program. Director Standley talked about the partnership with the District and Mt. Hood Repertory Theatre and reported that “Into the Wood” will be playing at the CHS theatre this Fall.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Mohring adjourned the meeting at 8:57 pm.