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# Pacific Coast Academy

## Minutes

### Regular Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Thursday March 12, 2026 at 6:00 PM

#### **Location**

Pacific Coast Academy Office  
13915 Danielson St. #200, Poway, CA 92064

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#### **Directors Present**

Benjamin Fung, Eric Banatao, Jessica Ackermann, Kim Gill, Patty Adams

#### **Directors Absent**

*None*

#### **Guests Present**

Jennifer Faber, Krystin Demofonte, Shari Erlendson

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

Benjamin Fung called a meeting of the board of directors of Pacific Coast Academy to order on Thursday Mar 12, 2026 at 6:03 PM.

#### **B. Roll Call of Board Members**

#### **C. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

#### **D. Approval of the Agenda**

Jessica Ackermann made a motion to approve the agenda.

Kim Gill seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **E. Executive Director Report**

### **II. Finance**

#### **A. 2025-2026 Second Interim Report**

Kim Gill made a motion to Approve the 2025-2026 Second Interim Report.

Patty Adams seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **B. Resolution Regarding Employee Retention Stipends**

Jessica Ackermann made a motion to Approve the Resolution Regarding Employee Retention Stipends.

Kim Gill seconded the motion.

- The Board approved with the following revisions, which align with the school's fiscal responsibility while continuing to support staff retention and organizational stability.
- The Employee Retention Stipend will be issued in **August** rather than June.
- Eligibility for the stipend requires that the staff member **return to duty for the 2026–2027 school year** and **work full-time during the months of July and August**.
- The Board approved that the **final stipend amounts will be determined in June**, upon completion and approval of the school's final budget, at which time funding availability will be confirmed.
- The Board further clarified that stipend amounts are **not guaranteed at any rate**, but may be awarded **up to the identified amount**, and **shall not exceed the approved maximum amounts**.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **C. 2025-2026 Independent Auditor Selection**

Patty Adams made a motion to Approve CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen LLP) as the independent auditor.

Jessica Ackermann seconded the motion.

The board approved to contract with CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen LLP)

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**D. Three-Year Audit Contract with Wilkinson Hadley King & Co. LLC**

Patty Adams made a motion to Terminate the Three-Year Audit Contract with Wilkinson Hadley King & Co. LLC.

Kim Gill seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**E. Resolution Regarding Joint Powers Authority Notice of Potential Withdrawal**

Jessica Ackermann made a motion to Approve Resolution Regarding Joint Powers Authority Notice of Potential Withdrawal.

Patty Adams seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**III. Other Business**

**A. Transcripts from Non-Accredited Schools**

Kim Gill made a motion to Approve Transcripts from Non-Accredited Schools.

Patty Adams seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**B. Graduation Rate - Certificate of Completion**

**IV. Consent Agenda**

**A. Approve Minutes**

Patty Adams made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 01-22-26.

Kim Gill seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**B. 2026-2027 Vendor Agreement**

**C. 2025-2026 Parent Student Handbook**

**D. Resolution: Non-Average Daily Attendance Summer School**

**E. Admissions/ Public Random Drawing/Lottery Policy**

**F. 2026-2027 Special Field Trips Over \$80**

**G. 2025-2026 Employee Handbook**

**H. 2025-26 Compensation Policy - Stipend Chart & Certificated Coordinator Salary**

**I. 2026-2027 Compensation Policy**

**J. English Learner Master Plan**

**K. Comprehensive School Safety Plan**

**L. Invoices/Purchasing Quotes Over \$100,000**

**M. Approve Consent Agenda**

Patty Adams made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.  
Kim Gill seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**V. Closed Session**

**A. Employee Performance Evaluation: Executive Director § 54957(b)**

The board went into closed session at 6:46 pm and returned to open session at 8:10 pm.  
There was nothing to report.

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Announcement of Next Scheduled Meeting- June 3 at 6:00pm**

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Benjamin Fung

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Prepared By:  
Jennifer Faber

Noted By:

Board Secretary

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