

**UNIVERSITY PREPARATORY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FEBRUARY 11, 2026 MEETING MINUTES
5:30 PM
SLC BOARDROOM
2200 EUREKA WAY
REDDING, CA 96001**

1. Board Vice President Kyle Jones called the Regular Meeting of the University Preparatory School Board to order at 5:30 PM. Board Members Susan Saephanh and Sue Brix were present. Superintendent/Principal Monica Cabral and Director of Administrative Services Molly Schlange were also in attendance.
2. OPENING BUSINESS
Board Vice President Kyle Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. STUDENT/STAFF HIGHLIGHTS
 - 3.1 Panther of the Quarter
Superintendent/Principal Monica Cabral and Assistant Principal Barbara Reuss presented the Panther of the Quarter awards to the 2nd Quarter recipients.
 - 3.2 Visual and Performing Arts
Mr. Brad Fowers introduced 9th grader Acacia McDaniels who sang "To Make You Feel My Love".
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
U-Prep parent Lars Widdel addressed the Board to share his concerns relating to politics and religion in the school setting. He expressed his perspective and encouraged the Board to remain mindful of these topics within the educational environment.
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS/ORDER
Motion - Brix
Second – Saephanh
Ayes – Jones
Carried – 3-0
6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
Motion - Brix
Second – Saephanh
Ayes – Jones
Carried – 3-0
7. REPORTS
 - 7.1 SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL REPORT
Superintendent/Principal Mrs. Cabral shared updates across several areas of the school. She reported meeting with UC Merced regarding the Merced Automatic Admissions Program (MAAP) and noted that the next step is a UC Compass meeting this week, with a potential MOU coming to the Board next month. She also shared that the Math Department is reviewing new state standards and previewing curriculum options.

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Mrs. Cabral highlighted Counselor Appreciation Week and Kindness Week, recognizing ASB's efforts and strong staff participation. She noted that survey results for staff, support staff, students, and parents will be shared soon. She reported that 20 students are interested in the Spring Break trip to China, with Biao and Jackie serving as chaperones, and congratulated Matthias Widdel and Grant Kopania for being selected for the Rotary Honor to Youth award. She also celebrated a Poetry Out Loud clean sweep, with Angela E advancing to the state finals.

In activities and athletics, Mrs. Cabral shared that Celebration of the Arts was a success, several VAPA events are upcoming, Junior High hosted a large basketball tournament, Girls Royal Soccer went undefeated, and Boys Basketball clinched the NAL title. She concluded by inviting the Board to attend the February 26 Parent Venture meeting, which will focus on student outcomes, student support services, and Dual Enrollment/AP opportunities.

7.2 BUSINESS REPORT

Director of Administrative Services Molly Schlange updated the Board on current budget items related to the 2025-2026 LCAP Year. Mrs. Schlange reported that she is currently working on the 2nd Interim Budget which will be shared with the Board at the March meeting.

8. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 ADMINISTRATIVE – ACTION/DISCUSSION

8.1.1 LCAP Mid-Year Report (DISCUSSION)

Superintendent/Principal Mrs. Cabral presented the LCAP Mid-Year Report, highlighting progress toward annual goals, reviewing current data, and outlining next steps to support student achievement and program effectiveness.

8.1.2 Request Approval of School Safety Plan (ACTION)

Motion - Brix
Second – Saephanh
Ayes – Jones
Carried – 3-0

8.1.3 Select Board Member(s) to attend the 2026-2027 School Lottery, March 11, 2026 (DISCUSSION)

Trustee Sue Brix said that she would like to be present for the event.

8.1.4 Select Board Member(s) to attend the 2026 Graduation Ceremonies (DISCUSSION)

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Board President Kyle Jones said that he would like to represent the board at the Junior High Ceremony. President Jones and Trustee Sue Brix are both interested in coming to the High School Graduation Ceremony.

8.1.5 Request Approval of Acceleration and Retention Policy (ACTION)

The Board discussed the item and voted to table the matter until the March meeting; no action was taken at this time.

Motion - Brix
Second – Saephanh
Ayes – Jones
Carried – 3-0

8.2 HUMAN RESOURCES - ACTION/DISCUSSION

8.2.1 Approve Athletic Stipend Schedule (ACTION)

Motion - Brix
Second – Saephanh
Ayes – Jones
Carried – 3-0

9. SUGGESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Board had no suggested future agenda items.

10. CLOSING/OPPORTUNITY FOR BOARD COMMENTS

The Board had no closing comments.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Sue Brix made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25PM. Motion seconded by Susan Saephanh. Motion approved unanimously.