

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Date: August 25, 2023

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Orange County Register, 1771 S. Lewis, Anaheim, CA 92805
Anaheim Bulletin, 1771 S. Lewis, Anaheim, CA 92805
Los Angeles Times, 1375 Sunflower, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
Event News, 9559 Valley View Street, Cypress, CA 90630

You are hereby notified that a special meeting of the
Board of Trustees of the Anaheim Union High School District
is called for

Thursday the 31st day of August 2023

in the forum at Western High School, 501 South Western Avenue, Anaheim,
California 92804

Individuals requesting interpretation should contact the executive assistant to the
superintendent at morales_p@auhsd.us by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 29, 2023, to
allow reasonable arrangement to ensure interpretation services.

Closed Session-3:45 p.m.
Open Session-4:30 p.m.



Michael B. Matsuda
Superintendent

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Some items on the agenda of the Board of Trustees' meeting include exhibits of supportive and/or background information. These materials are also posted with the meeting agenda on the District website, www.auhsd.us, at the same time that they are distributed to the Board of Trustees.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with a disability who require modification or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting should contact the executive assistant to the superintendent at morales_p@auhsd.us by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 29, 2023, to allow for reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to the meeting.

We respectfully acknowledge that the Anaheim Union High School District is located on the ancestral land of the Gabrielino/Tongva people. We gratefully acknowledge those on whose ancestral homelands we gather, as well as the diverse and vibrant Native communities who make their home here today.

1. **CALL TO ORDER–ROLL CALL** **ACTION ITEM**
2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** **ACTION ITEM**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS, CLOSED SESSION ITEMS** **INFORMATION ITEM**

This is an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Board of Trustees concerning any item described in this special meeting agenda. Public comment on items not on the agenda may be made at the next regular meeting. Persons wishing to address the Board of Trustees should complete a speaker request form, available on the information table, at the back of the room, and submit it to the executive assistant prior to the meeting. Each speaker is limited to a maximum of three minutes; each topic or item is limited to a total of 20 minutes. Board members cannot immediately respond to public comments, as stated on the speaker request form.

4. **CLOSED SESSION** **ACTION/INFORMATION ITEM**

The Board of Trustees will meet in closed session for the following purpose:

To consider matters pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(a), (d)(2), and (d)(4):
Conference with legal counsel, anticipated litigation, one case (existing facts and circumstances pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(5)).

5. **RECONVENE MEETING, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT** ***INFORMATION ITEMS***

5.1 **Reconvene Meeting**

The Board of Trustees will reconvene into open session.

5.2 **Pledge of Allegiance**

Board President O'Neal will lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

5.3 **Closed Session Report**

The clerk of the Board of Trustees will report actions taken during closed session.

6. **PRESENTATION** ***INFORMATION ITEM***

School Efficiency Committee

Background Information:

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Current Consideration:

Business Services staff will provide a presentation on the work of the SEC and its recommendation(s).

Staff Recommendation:

Although this is an information item only, requiring no formal action by the Board of Trustees, it is recommended that the Board officially receive the information in the presentation.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS, OPEN SESSION ITEM** ***INFORMATION ITEM***

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8. **ITEM OF BUSINESS**

School Efficiency Committee Recommendation

ACTION ITEM

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Current Consideration:

After considerable discussion, analysis, and thought, the SEC arrived at a final recommendation to be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval. Based on current and projected student numbers, current and future facility needs, as well as associated financial and intangible savings, the SEC recommends that Orangeview Junior High School relocate onto the Western High School campus on or about the beginning of the 2025-26 school year and that Hope School relocate onto the vacated Orangeview Junior High School campus on or about the beginning of the 2026-27 school year. The vacated Hope School would be repurposed for another District use. It is further recommended that the Board of Trustees delegate to the superintendent or designee day-to-day decision-making authority to effectuate the intent of the recommended action.

Budget Implication:

The potential savings for this recommendation is estimated at \$1 million (in fiscal year 2022-23 dollars).

Staff Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve and adopt the recommendation of the SEC.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

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