MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOL
2301 Evergreen Ave, West Sacramento, CA (Library)
Wednesday, August 12, 2026
3:00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS

The Sacramento Valley Charter School ("School") welcomes your participation at the School's Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1. Agendas are available to all audience members online at: https://www.sacvalleycharter.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=4426950&type=d&pREC_ID=2683673

2. Members of the public who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of "Oral Communications" will need to attend the meeting in person.
   a. "Oral Communications" is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes* and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
   b. With regard to a specific agenda item, you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes* when the Board discusses that item.

   Any person wishing to speak is asked to complete a Request to Speak Form which will be available at the meeting. Speakers are asked to state their full name when it is their turn to speak on an "Oral Communication" or a specific agenda item and adhere to the time limits set forth. *Persons requiring an interpreter shall receive a maximum of six (6) minutes.

3. The following Zoom link is being provided for members of the public who wish to observe the meeting (Zoom attendees will not attend closed session and will remain muted during open session):
   Please click the link below to join the Board Meeting as an attendee:
   https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81704460464?pwd=5Db1BtPtxHqbRwrieQC14qt4XPT6LJ.1
   Passcode: 013230

4. Any public records relating to an agenda item for an open session of the Board which are distributed to all, or a majority of all, of the Board members shall be available for public inspection at Sacramento Valley Charter School in the School Office at 2399 Sellers Way, West Sacramento, CA 95691 and online at the supporting documents located at: https://www.sacvalleycharter.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=4426950&type=d&pREC_ID=2683673

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 3:03 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Narinder Thandi	X	
Daljit Ghuman		X
Pritam S. Thind	X	
Tirath Pal Sandhu	X	
Harjit Sidhu	X	

II. OPEN SESSION

III. APPROVED THE MEETING AGENDA as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by H. Sidhu and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.

IV. APPROVED THE MEETING MINUTES from the July 15, 2026 Regular Meeting and the July 20, 2026 Special Meeting as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by P. Thind and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.

V. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes* and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

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- Douglas Spaulding and Nancy Nyothsom-Whiteside from WestAmerica Bank welcomed SVCS as new customers, gave a brief introduction of WestAmerica Bank, mentioned banking products that might help SVCS and discussed view-only options.
- Mrs. Sandip Kang – SVCS Kindergarten Teacher – requested the board consider adding more steps to the teacher salary schedule as she is at the maximum pay and received only a $1,200 increase in salary for 2026-27.
- Mrs. Sarbjeet Nijjar – SVCS Punjabi Teacher – made the same request as Mrs. Kang and also requested follow up on her previous request for on-going $750 for a matter that existed for two and a half years many years ago.

B. FOR INFORMATION: BOARD/STAFF DISCUSSIONS: Board and staff discuss items of mutual interest

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Was made by T. Sandhu

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

VIII. CLOSED SESSION began at approx. 3:38 PM

A. Conference With Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54957.1)
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Section 56956.9(b): 1 case

B. Conference With Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: 2 matters

IX. RECONVENED OPEN SESSION at approx. 4:10 PM

X. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

No action taken was announced by T. Sandhu.

XI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

A. BUSINESS (25 minutes)

1. Reviewed and approved the revenue and expense reports as Motioned by T. Sandhu, Seconded by H. Sidhu and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
2. Reviewed and approved the 45-Day Budget Revision as Motioned by T. Sandhu, Seconded by N. Thandi and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
3. Reviewed and approved the Foster Youth Transportation Policy as Motioned by T. Sandhu, Seconded by N. Thandi and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
4. Reviewed and approved a legal services agreement with Garcia, Hernandez & Sawhney (GHS) provided by Nitasha Sawhney as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by H. Sidhu and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
5. Reviewed and approved three attendees for the CCSA Conference in Sacramento in March 2027 (registration at $500 each plus parking and excess mileage for an estimated cost of $2,100) as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by P. Thind and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (10 minutes)

1. Approved one week of Barn Dance lessons for grades TK-3rd at a cost of $4,800 using Prop 28 Art & Music in School funding. This is the same weekly rate as incurred in 2025-26 as Motioned by T. Sandhu, Seconded by N. Thandi and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
2. Reviewed and approved the renewal of HMH California Go Math! K–8 digital licenses and online platforms for the 2026–2027 school year at a cost not to exceed $12,000. (This is online portion related to the GoMath approval for textbooks and consumables approved at the July 20th Special Meeting for $19,779.95) as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by T. Sandhu and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
3. Approved the purchase of eight (8) business-grade laptops for faculty and staff at a cost not to exceed $12,000.00 as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by P. Thind and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.

C. PERSONNEL (35 minutes)

1. Approved closing the VAPA Teaching position as Motioned by T. Sandhu, Seconded by N. Thandi and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
2. Approved closing the Reading Intervention Specialist position as Motioned by T. Sandhu, Seconded by N. Thandi and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent. An Instructional Aide will provide one-on-one and small group support with scripted curriculum.
3. Approve hiring Sandeep Kaur as Instructional Aide III at $23.00/hour pending LiveScan/DOJ clearance, TB test results and reference checks.
4. Approve hiring Nicole Salazar King as Middle School English Language Arts (ELA) teacher pending LiveScan/DOJ clearance, TB test results and reference checks, with verified experience for placement on the certificated salary schedule as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by T. Sandhu and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
5. Approved assigning the Title IX Coordinator duties to the HR/Payroll Technician for the 2026-27 school year compensated at the employee's usual hourly rate and ensure sufficient training is completed within 60 days as Motioned by P. Thind, Seconded by H. Sidhu and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
6. Approve assigning the Homeless and Foster Student Liaison duties to the Extended Learning Programs, Student Data and Student Health Coordinator for the 2026-27 school year compensated at the employee's usual hourly rate and ensure sufficient training is completed within 60 days as Motioned by H. Sidhu, Seconded by N. Thandi and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
7. Reviewed and approved Certificated At-Will Agreements for 2026-27 as Motioned by T. Sandhu, Seconded by H. Sidhu and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1 – Absent.
8. Tabled the review and approve Classified At-Will Agreements for 2026-27

D. PUPIL SERVICES

XII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

A. BUSINESS (10 minutes)

1. Discussed the Charter Renewal Timeline with P. Thind and H. Singh to participate as part of the Charter Renewal Committee, as needed.
2. Discussed an amendment or addendum to the MOU with the Sikh Temple Sacramento regarding the intent to lease 2411 Sellers Way. Following discussion with WUSD as authorizer, the MOU needs to be revised and a draft will be brought to the September meeting.
3. Rescheduled the November 11th meeting (Veteran's Day Holiday) to Nov. 12th.

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (5 minutes)

1. Principal's Report: This is a written or verbal update of information which has occurred since the previous Board meeting and may include items such as ongoing efforts for student performance, enrollment, attendance, LCAP advisory/ ELAC/site council updates, and meetings with our authorizer and/or YCOE.

C. PERSONNEL (3 minutes)

1. Discussed policy and procedure regarding signing At Will and Arbitration Agreements within a reasonable, established time period.

D. PUPIL SERVICES (2 minutes)

1. Update on Transportation Services
2. Update on School Safety

XIII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 PM as Motioned by N. Thandi, Seconded by P. Thind and approved by a vote of 4 – Ayes, 1- Absent..

For future meeting(s):
Sick Leave Policy revision
2026-27 Employee Handbook
Office Manager Job Description and salary range
MOU addendum