

SAVANNA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 - 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Dr. Gay Zambrano, at 4:00 p.m. in the District Administration Office.

Members Present: Mr. John Shook, President (arrived @ 4:23 p.m.)
Dr. Gay Zambrano, Vice President
Mrs. Tina Karanick, Clerk
Mrs. Chris Brown, Member
Mr. Rigoberto A. Ramirez, Member

Motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Ramirez, to adopt the agenda was carried 4-0.

The Flag Salute and Invocation were led by Mrs. Karanick.

There were no public comments regarding closed session items.

Motion by Mr. Ramirez, seconded by Mrs. Karanick, to adjourn to closed session was carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 4:03 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Ramirez, seconded by Mrs. Brown, to adjourn closed session was unanimously carried.

Closed session adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

No action taken during closed session, there was nothing to report out.

Meeting reconvened into open session at 4:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mr. John Shook, President
Dr. Gay Zambrano, Vice President
Mrs. Tina Karanick, Clerk
Mrs. Chris Brown, Member
Mr. Rigoberto A. Ramirez, Member

Mr. Shook read the meeting protocols.

Members of the public addressed the Board.

Information was presented regarding oral health screening data for the 2024-25 school year.

Information was presented regarding Team Kids Challenge, in partnership between local law enforcement, fire departments, Team Kids Coaches and our schools.

Information was presented regarding School Safety measures, both physical and online, as well as the partnerships we have in place with a variety of organizations.

Information to be presented on the Savanna Student Services and Special Education Department.

Motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Dr. Zambrano, to approve the following items:

Board meeting minutes

Personnel report on file in the District Office

Approve the Proposition 28 Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Plan
Approve the agreement between Tustin ABA Services for Kids LLC and Savanna School District
Check numbers 37168 through 37368
Purchase order numbers W52R0181 through W52R0388
Revolving cash fund check numbers 2207 through 2208
The motion was unanimously carried.

Motion by Dr. Zambrano, seconded by Mrs. Karanick, to appoint the Executive Director of Human Resources.

Mr. Shook read the following:

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953, subdivision (c)(3), the Board provides this oral summary of the salary and fringe benefits as set forth in the proposed Executive Director of Human Resources Employment Agreement between Savanna School District and Dr. Jennifer Solano.

- Contract term effective October 13, 2025 through June 30, 2028.
- Annual salary of \$205,941 effective October 13, 2025 is based on a full twelve-month work year of 224 days. For the 2025-26 school year, salary to be prorated based on the actual number of workdays remaining in the year.
- An additional \$1,512/year to be added for an earned doctorate – adjusted annually by salary increase and prorated for the 2025-26 school year based on the actual number of workdays remaining.
- Paid medical benefits on same terms as other certificated employees.
- Paid health and welfare benefits in retirement on same terms as other certificated employees.
- During the term of the agreement or any renewal or extension of the agreement, Dr. Solano will be provided a whole life insurance policy with a face value of \$150,000.
- The work year will be 224 days, and Dr. Solano's annual salary is based on a full twelve-month work year exclusive of paid holidays.
- Paid holidays benefits shall be granted in accordance with Education Code and Board approved holidays.
- 12 days of annual sick leave.
- The District shall provide \$150 monthly stipend for mileage.
- Dr. Solano shall be entitled to reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred within the scope of her employment while on District-related travel outside the boundaries of the District. Professional dues shall be paid by the District.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Board took a break from 6:29 p.m. to 6:39 p.m.

Information was presented by Mr. Eric Fano regarding the 2024/25 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report.

Motion by Mr. Ramirez, seconded by Mrs. Karanick, to approve the 2024/25 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report. The motion was unanimously carried.

Motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Dr. Zambrano, to approve Resolution No. 2025/26-02 authorizing budget changes and transfers of funds between reserve and expenditure classifications for 2024/25 per Education Code Section 42601. The motion was unanimously carried.

Motion by Mrs. Karanick, seconded by Mrs. Brown, to approve Resolution No. 2025/26-03 providing public notice of the Appropriations (Gann) Limit calculations for 2024/25 and 2025/26 and declaring that appropriations do not exceed these limits. The motion was unanimously carried.

Information was presented by Mr. Eric Fano regarding the Annual Developer Fee Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

Motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Dr. Zambrano, to approve the Arts, Music, and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan (Revised 09/09/25). The motion was unanimously carried.

Motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Dr. Zambrano, to appoint members to represent the Savanna School District on the Greater Anaheim Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Community Advisory Committee. The motion was unanimously carried.

A public hearing was held regarding the availability of textbooks and instructional materials within the District.

Public hearing opened at 7:24 p.m.

There were no comments from the public.

Public hearing closed at 7:25 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Ramirez, seconded by Mrs. Karanick, to approve Resolution No. 2025/26-04 regarding availability of textbooks. The motion was unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. Ramirez, seconded by Mrs. Brown, to adopt and/or approve updated Board Policies and Administrative Regulations as submitted by California School Boards Association. The motion was unanimously carried.

Dr. Johnson gave the Superintendent report as follows:

1. Out & About in our Schools and the Community.
2. Buena Park State of the City is October 1.

There were no public comments regarding closed session items.

Motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Ramirez, to adjourn to closed session was unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:38 p.m.

Closed session adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

No action taken during closed session, there was nothing to report out.

Motion by Mr. Ramirez, seconded by Mrs. Brown, to adjourn the meeting was unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.