

Berkeley PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Berkeley Unified School District

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Location:

1231 Addison St

Berkeley, CA 94702

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

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1. Call to Order (Closed Session)

The Presiding Officer will call the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

2. Public Testimony (1st opportunity)

3. Closed Session

The Board may recess into Closed Session before or after the public meeting under the authority of the Brown Act (including but not limited to Government Code sections 54954.5, 54956.8, 54956.9, 54957, 54957.6, as well as 35146) Under Government Code section 54954.3, members of the public may address the board on an item on the Closed Session agenda.

3.1	Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code, section 54956.8)
	3.1.1 Property: 1720-1730 Oregon Street/1707 Russell Street, Berkeley, CA (APN 53-1676-001-02) Agency Negotiators: John Calise, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities Negotiating Parties: BUSD and to be determined (Ed. Code, section 17455, et seq.) Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment
3.2	Collective Bargaining - Government Code Section 54957.6(a) (District Negotiator: Samantha Tobias-Espinosa)

4. Call to Order (Open Session) - 7 pm

5. Approve Regular Meeting Agenda for March 18, 2026

6. Report Out on Closed Session

7. Superintendent Comments

8. Open Session Public (1st Opportunity)

Public Testimony is strictly limited to 30 minutes with a 2-minute limit per speaker per topic, although the time allotted per speaker may be adjusted at the discretion of the President.

9. Committee Comment

Superintendent’s Budget Advisory Committee	Audit Committee
District English Language Advisory Committee	Parent Advisory Committee
Gender Equity & Sexual Harassment Advisory Committee	CTE Advisory Committee
African American Advisory Committee	PTA Council
BSEP/BERRA Planning & Oversight Committee	Equity and Excellence Advisory Committee
Construction Bond Oversight Committee	

10. Union Comments

Berkeley Federation of Teachers (BFT)
Berkeley Council of Classified Employees (BCCE)
Union of Berkeley Administrators (UBA)
Local 21

11. Board Member Comments

12. Consent Calendar

12.1	Approval of Human Resources Report
12.2	Approval of Position Control Changes Report
12.3	Approval of MOU with University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley Principal Leadership Institute
12.4	Approval of Tentative Agreements for BFT Collective Bargaining Agreement 2025-2027
12.5	Approval of Overnight Field Trip Requests
12.6	Approval of Contracts/Purchase Orders for Services
12.7	Acceptance of Gifts/Donations
12.8	Approve Listing of Fiscal Warrants issued in February 2026
12.9	Approval of Resolution 26-033 – Establishment of Special Reserve Fund for Capital Outlay Projects (Fund 40)
12.10	Approval of Transportation Service Plan Update for 2026-27 School Year
12.11	Justification for Fuel Surcharges Due to Fuel Cost Escalation; Request Additional Funds for Special Education Transportation by First Alt, Inc.
12.12	Approve Expenditure for Wireless Access Points for Multiple Facilities
12.13	Accept the Completion of the District-Wide Access Control, Security Cameras and Server Replacement Project and Approve Resolution Number 26-034
12.14	Approval of Amendment for Terracon Consultants, Inc. for the Sylvia Mendez Modernization Project (Mod. #2)
12.15	Approval of Contract Modification for Core West Inc. for the updated Berkeley High School Capacity & Expansion Project
12.16	Approval of Contract Modification #2 for Ninyo & Moore for the Sylvia Mendez Elementary School Modernization Project.
12.17	Consideration of Establishment of a 7-11 Committee and Commencement of Surplus Property Disposition Process (APN: 53-1676-001-02, Oregon/Russell Property)

12.18	Approval to Award a TIPS Piggyback Contract to purchase products through ELB Global for Phase II of the Sylvia Mendez Modernization Project
12.19	Approval of BSEP Measure H 2026-27 Teacher Template
12.20	Approval of Board of Education Meeting Minutes

13. Action

13.1	Approval of Measure G - Program Update (60 min)
13.2	Approval of Second Interim Report for the Period ending January 31, 2026(60 min)

14. Information

14.1	24-25 BSEP Measure E1 and BERRA Measure E Annual Report
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15. Extended Public Comment

16. Extended Board Member Comments

17. Adjournment

GOVERNANCE TEAM COMMITMENTS

- Practice humility and self-reflection and ask for feedback;
- Create safe non-judgemental space to get to know each other as people;
- Be honest and candid with each other;
- Lead with curiosity (e.g., "Could you say more about what you mean by X?". Ask questions for deeper understanding so as to avoid assumptions;
- Prioritize direct communication with each other when there is a negative impact during a discussion or disagreement. Initiate 1:1 conversations via phone, email or text to request time via phone, video-chat, or in-person.) Use impact statements (e.g., "When you said X, I felt Y ...") ;
- Understand that our experiences, opinions, and perspectives are shaped by our positions and privilege in life, and be mindful of the impact the we have on others;
- Appreciate each others' strengths, experience and contributions, and the positive work carried out in the District;
- Embrace disagreement when respectfully articulated; this is a sign of a healthy governance team comprised of people with shared values but different perspectives;
- Commit to being a team player - be respectful about the way we discuss our colleagues and their views, even when we disagree. Strive to support each other, avoid disparaging each other publicly or privately and organizing against each other;
- Ensure clarity of our roles as they relate to Governance/Operations;
- Adhere to confidentiality of closed session discussions to comply with law, build trust with the governance team, and foster a safe space for candid discussion;
- Show public respect for the will of the Board even when in the minority on a decision;

- Be responsible and accountable to each other: do what you say you're going to do and acknowledge when expectations weren't met; Be responsive to all voices in the district and seek to elevate the voices heard less frequently; and
- Emulate/model the values and culture we strive for in the District.