PALO VERDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Special Minutes

Tuesday, June 23, 2026
Closed Session: 4:00 p.m. | Open Session: 5:00 p.m.
Physical Meeting Location: One College Drive, Blythe, CA – CL 101
LiveStream Meeting Location: PVC Needles Center, 725 W. Broadway, Needles, CA

1. OPENING OF MEETING

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Board President Gloria Copple.

1.2 ROLL CALL

- **Trustees Present:** Gloria Copple, Jon McNeil, Scott Dean, Glenda Williams, Stella Camargo-Styers, Brad Arneson
  Note: Trustees McNeil and Williams participated via teleconference from the Needles Educational Center.
- **Trustees Absent:** Angel Ramirez
- **Administrators Present:** Edward "Ed" Knudson, Interim Superintendent/President, Stephanie Slagan, Assistant Supt./VP of Administrative Services and College Advancement, Dr. Sandra "Sam" Robinson, Acting Assistant Supt./VP of Instruction and Student Services

1.3 APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Motion: Approve the Closed Session Agenda for this meeting.
Moved by: Stella Camargo-Styers
Seconded by: Scott Dean
Action: Motion Carries

Vote:

- **Yes:** Gloria Copple, Jon McNeil, Scott Dean, Brad Arneson, Stella Camargo-Styers, Glenda Williams

2. HEARING OF CITIZENS - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

2.1 PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments offered regarding the items on tonight's Closed Session agenda.

3. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Governing Board recessed to Closed Session at 4:02 p.m.

3.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957(B)(1))

3.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION; SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION (GOVERNMENT CODE 54956.9)

4. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Governing Board reconvened to Open Session at 5:25 p.m.

4.1 FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4.2 REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Board President Copple reported that no action was taken in Closed Session tonight.

4.3 APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION AGENDA

Motion: Approve the Open Session Agenda.

Moved by: Stella Camargo-Styers
Seconded by: Scott Dean
Action: Motion Carries

Vote:

- **Yes:** Gloria Copple, Jon McNeil, Scott Dean, Brad Arneson, Stella Camargo-Styers, Glenda Williams

4.4 ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECUSAL FROM AGENDA ITEMS

No recusals were declared.

5. ACTION ITEMS

5.1 APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT/VICE PRESIDENT OF INSTRUCTION AND STUDENT SERVICES

Motion: Approve the appointment of Dr. Sandra Robinson as Interim Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Instruction and Student Services, effective July 1, 2026, with the associated employment agreement to be presented for Board consideration at the August 11, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Moved by: Stella Camargo-Styers
Seconded by: Brad Arneson
Action: Motion Carries

Vote:

- **Yes:** Gloria Copple, Jon McNeil, Brad Arneson, Stella Camargo-Styers, Glenda Williams

- **No:** Scott Dean

5.2 APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT/VICE PRESIDENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND COLLEGE ADVANCEMENT

Motion: Approve the appointment of James Thomas as Interim Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Administrative Services and College Advancement, effective July 7, 2026, with the associated employment agreement to be presented for Board consideration at the August 11, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Moved by: Stella Camargo-Styers
Seconded by: Brad Arneson
Action: Motion Carries

Vote:

- **Yes:** Gloria Copple, Jon McNeil, Scott Dean, Brad Arneson, Stella Camargo-Styers, Glenda Williams

6. CLOSING OF MEETING

6.1 POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were requested.

6.2 ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Ed Knudson
Ed Knudson (Aug 13, 2026 14:01:45 PDT)

Edward Knudson, Interim Superintendent/President

Minutes approved at the August 11, 2026, Regular Board Meeting

Minutes prepared by Naomi Alaniz, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/President and Board of Trustees. These minutes are a summary of reports, discussions, and actions taken at this meeting. Audio/video recordings of Board of Trustees meetings are available on the District's website for public review and may be consulted for a more complete record of meeting discussions.

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