

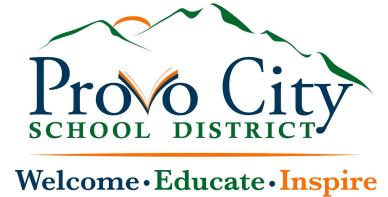
These minutes were approved by the PCSD Board of Education on June 9, 2026.

PCSD Study Session and Business Meeting

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

4:00 PM -8:00 PM

Provo City School District
280 West 940 North
Provo, UT 84904



A. 4:00 p.m. Study Session

The following YouTube link is available to watch the meetings live or at the viewer's convenience:

PCSD Live YouTube Channel: youtube.com/channel/UCFmB8Jxqa9-RMOSvfwbyIUQ

A.1. Welcome

Meeting called to order at 4:01 pm

A.2. Roll Call *(Audio Timestamp 00:00:47)*

Jennifer Partridge, Board President; Gina Hales, Board Vice President; Melanie Hall, Board Member; Lisa Boyce, Board Member; Meg Van Wagenen, Board Member; Rachel Ryu, Student Board Member; Emily Harrison, Board Member; Teri McCabe, Board Member; Devyn Dayley, Business Administrator; Wendy Dau, Superintendent

A.3. Motion to Convene *(Audio Timestamp 00:01:13)*

I move that we convene the study session. This motion, made by Lisa Boyce and seconded by Emily Harrison, Carried.

Lisa Boyce:	Aye
Gina Hales:	Aye
Melanie Hall:	Aye
Emily Harrison:	Aye
Teri McCabe:	Aye
Jennifer Partridge:	Aye
Megan Van Wagenen:	Aye

A.4. Board Member Training: Board Member Meg Van Wagenen How to Create Effective Agendas *(Audio Timestamp 00:01:29)*

Board Member Meg Van Wagenen gave a brief training on [USBA's Guide to Effective School Boards](#), p.24.

Summary:

- Board President is responsible to shape the content of the agenda. The president works with the Vice President and Superintendent to that ensure crucial matters are addressed efficiently
- Board Members can inform the board leadership what they'd like to put on the agenda, board leadership will prioritize items with expressed interest of 3 or more board members.
- Some items can be handled by district staff answering questions instead of including in a meeting

A.5. DLI (Audio Timestamp 00:05:30)

Summary:

The DLI Program Review Presentation is available for review under this agenda item in the agenda at <https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Organization/3318> or with [this link](#).

Due to time, the board stopped the discussion at page 27 of the presentation.

The following members of district staff helped with this discussion:

Assistant Superintendent Jarod Sites

Principal Jamie Davis-Leite

Doug Finch T&L Director

**Board Member Teri McCabe stepped out at 4:20pm, back in meeting at 4:23pm*

A.6. Preschool Discussion (Audio Timestamp 00:53:30)

Summary:

Director of Continuous School Improvement Michelle Eldredge led this discussion and Deputy Superintendent Jason Cox also gave input.

- Discussion regarding consolidating resources for Pre-School to Sunset View .

The presentation for this discussion can be found under this agenda item at

<https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Organization/3318> or with [this link](#).

- Concerns raised about losing local students (won't want to go so far from home)
- Different concerns with Special Education which the district wants to integrate into more schools for the benefit of all students and to more closely follow state guidelines
- State and Federal funds are for K-12, no funding provided for Pre-School (except Special Ed)
- Title I funds can be used for preschool, it is a lump sum for all Title I needs, must be used for all Title I schools and grade levels

A.7. Large Purchase Requests: Franklin Kindergarten Playground, Chromebooks

(Audio Timestamp 01:29:27)

Issue:

The board must approve expenditures over \$50,000.

For review tonight:

1. Franklin Kindergarten Playground

2. Chromebooks

- Discussions about decreasing Chromebook purchases and digital uses in classrooms, carts, etc.

- There will be a Tech committee that will help with the changes

Kassidy Wattleworth, member of the public, asked what happens to elementary Chromebooks as they age out.

Devyn answered: The elementary Chromebooks that are aged out are disposed of or held over for students who break one and need temporary replacements.

A.8. FY 27 Budget *(Audio Timestamp 01:34:57)*

The FY 27 Budget Presentation can be found on the agenda at

<https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Organization/3318> or with [this link](#).

A.9. Truth in Taxation Tax Impact Schedule *(Audio Timestamp 01:42:56)*

Truth in Taxation FY27 Tax Impact Statement:

Provo City School District will consider a tax increase for the FY27 school year. This increase will be an approximate 4% increase in total revenue. This increase will represent an estimated change in rates from .006922 to .007220. The impact of this tax increase and the reasons for the tax increase are listed below.

Current Provo City School District Tax Rate: .006922 (including Debt Service, Basic Rate and Charter School Rate)

Current Budgeted Tax Revenue: \$76,715,845

Requested Budgeted Tax Revenue: \$79,864,945

Proposed Provo City School District Tax Rate (without change to official state Basic Rate): .007220

Impact of tax increase on \$500,000 home/business

Home – Old rate - \$1,903.55 / New rate - \$1,985.50 / Difference of \$81.95

Business – Old rate - \$3,461.00 / New Rate - \$3,610.00 / Difference of \$149.00

Reasons for tax increase (Affected funds)

A tax revenue increase of \$2,500,000 – General fund (direct to teacher/staff salary increases)

A tax revenue increase of \$1,500,000 – Capital Projects fund (interest payment for Lease Revenue Bond payments)

This includes a decrease in the Debt Service fund of \$850,900.

The net increase in property tax revenue overall is \$3,149,100.

A.10. Expire Policy 6900 Funding Small District Schools *(Audio Timestamp 01:44:19)*

This policy is from 2022, the current policy committee is looking at other districts' policies to help create a more detailed Policy and Procedure. The board will also convene a committee with members of the public from each school to help give feedback as the policy is created. As a result, this policy could be retired.

A.11. Policy Review 1st Readings *(Audio Timestamp 01:54:49)*

Policy Review, 1st Readings

Wendy Dau, Superintendent

**Due to time constraints this item was saved for the Business Meeting, and then skipped to allow for more time for public input. These items will be reviewed in a future board meeting instead.*

A.12. Motion to Adjourn *(Audio Timestamp 01:54:54)*

I move that we adjourn. This motion, made by Melanie Hall and seconded by Lisa Boyce, Carried.

Lisa Boyce:	Aye
Gina Hales:	Aye
Melanie Hall:	Aye
Emily Harrison:	Aye
Teri McCabe:	Aye
Jennifer Partridge:	Aye
Megan Van Wagenen:	Aye

B. 6:00 p.m. Business Meeting

B.1. Welcome

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm

B.2. Roll Call *(Audio Timestamp 00:31)*

Devyn Dayley, Business Administrator; Lisa Boyce, Board Member; Teri McCabe, Board Member; Gina Hales, Board Vice President; Jennifer Partridge, Board President; Wendy Dau, Superintendent; Meg Van Wagenen, Board Member; Emily Harrison, Board Member; Melanie Hall, Board Member; Rachel Ryu, Student Board Member

B.3. Motion to Convene *(Audio Timestamp 00:58)*

I move that we convene the business meeting. This motion, made by Emily Harrison and seconded by Megan Van Wagenen, Carried.

Lisa Boyce:	Aye
Gina Hales:	Aye
Melanie Hall:	Aye
Emily Harrison:	Aye
Teri McCabe:	Aye
Jennifer Partridge:	Aye
Megan Van Wagenen:	Aye

B.4. Pledge of Allegiance: Assistant Superintendent Darrell Jensen

(Audio Timestamp 01:16)

C. Community Connections

C.1. Magical Moment *(Audio Timestamp 01:55)*

Director of Communications Caleb Price: Provost field day – 6th Graders Run the Show

C.2. Student Board Member Announcement *(Audio Timestamp 05:17)*

Board Vice President Gina Hales announced new Provo High School Student Board Member Shyah Ward PHS Student Board Member 2026-2027

Rachel Ryu, THS Student Board Member 2025-2026 advice for incoming student board member:

- Understand your peers
- Get different perspectives

Shyah Ward, PHS Student Board Member 2026-2027

- Expressed excitement to work with students at Provo High School and other schools

C.3. Public Input *(Audio Timestamp 08:31):*

Andrea Busby – Timpanogos Neighborhood Resident: In favor of rebuild of Timpanogos Elementary. Building is overcrowded; teachers and students need better.

Shannon Bingham – Timpanogos Neighborhood Resident: \$75 million of tax payer dollars to build an elementary school and remodel the existing elementary school when enrollment is declining and while facing budget issues is a mistake. Cap elementary school enrollment and change boundaries instead of using tax payer dollars to build a new elementary.

Karol Long – Timpanogos Neighborhood Resident: Timpanogos Elementary is a newer school, but the building has issues and isn't large enough for current needs. We need the rebuild, and it would be good to incorporate space for pre-school.

Dave Knecht - Spring Creek Neighborhood Resident: Neighborhoods with schools attract move-ins, new housing going into Spring Creek neighborhood

Ruth Busby – Timpanogos Student: Rebuild Timpanogos, there is not enough room for teachers and students, outside space is too small, often hit with balls which hurts and is scary and games, fairy gardens creations are disrupted due to lack of room for all to play

Robin Roberts - Provo School District Resident: Trends show that there will be less children in the future and that charter schools take students from public schools. The district needs to address charter school taking public school students. Seems that this is not a time to build a new school that may not have enough students to be full in the future.

Alison Ferguson - Timpanogos Teacher, Spring Creek Resident: The public seems to be getting mixed messages about rebuilding Timpanogos Elementary. The main issue is safety. 500 West is a busier road than it was when the school was built. It is a state highway and not able to have a school zone, the underpass was removed so students now cross that busy road every day. Timpanogos is the elementary school with the most kids in the district and has the smallest footprint and the least space outside. No space to have all the kids in at lunch time, so playgrounds are always full.

Ashley Larson – Wasatch Resident, Parent of Timpanogos Students: Timpanogos is crowded, teachers are working out of offices. There are different issues, different needs for different communities, shouldn't be competitive, one district, should work together for the best of all students.

Paris Bellback - Timpanogos Teacher, Wasatch Resident: Parking lot blind spots, busy roads, students in traffic every day. Intervention classes happen in the copy room because no room elsewhere, makes teacher preparation difficult. Stairs also difficult to navigate with students or with pregnant teachers. The only available space for nursing mothers is an electric closet.

Jordan Gibby - Wasatch Resident, Parent of Students in Timpanogos: Problems need to be fixed and money needs to be spent to do that at Timpanogos. Dixon needs to be demolished and something needs to go there. Money needs to be spent either way, so this isn't just about saving money, it's about where the money is spent. Again, this shouldn't be an issue of this or that, it shouldn't be a competition with other schools.

Eli Borup - Canyon Crest Resident: As an alumni of overcapacity schools, didn't feel like it was a big deal. It is very fiscally irresponsible to budget \$50 million for a new school when enrollment is in decline and budget is a problem. The district's record hasn't been great with the Wasatch build over budget, the Edgemont build over budget, and not enough money for a Timpview rebuild, so now it is being built piece by piece. Property taxes are high already, and will be higher because of this.

Motion: *(Audio Timestamp 39:17)*

With five public input requests remaining, Board President Jennifer Partridge asked if there was a motion to extend the 30-minute maximum allotted for public input for this meeting:

I move that we extend the public comment time. This motion, made by Lisa Boyce and seconded by Megan Van Wagenen, Carried.

Lisa Boyce:	Aye
Gina Hales:	Aye
Melanie Hall:	Aye
Emily Harrison:	Aye
Teri McCabe:	Aye
Jennifer Partridge:	Aye
Megan Van Wagenen:	Aye

Public Input Continued: *(Audio Timestamp 39:51)*

Brenna Borup - Canyon Crest Resident: Went to overcrowded schools as a student, it wasn't difficult. Temporary portables that were there at CMS then are still there. Tabling school closures was a good idea. Change administration, stop talking about taking programs like DLI and schools away from children. Share social workers, put DLI in every school, realignment of Timpanogos, if students are getting bused to Timpanogos, they could be bused to Canyon Crest instead.

Leah Grow – Timpanogos Resident, Parent of Students at Westridge: 68% of taxes go to schools. Many choose charter schools, private schools and homeschool because don't agree with teachers and what they are teaching. It is difficult to consider both sides. Yes, students need things, but with the amount of money to build new school, maybe consider other options instead of building a new school.

Kassidy Wattleworth - Canyon Crest Resident: Franklin Elementary is undercapacity but Timpanogos is overcrowded, so change boundaries. Choice makes that not as impactful is an argument for this, but from personal experience, students couldn't choice to Westridge because

they were full, so cap enrollment and change boundaries so Timpanogos won't be full. Table the build, for now, to save money.

Jen Isom - Canyon Crest Resident: Hard to hear about possible school closures and DLI changes, while spending \$75 million on a new school. It feels like a luxury to have more green space. Re-draw boundaries instead. Students have to cross 500 West to get to the Dixon site too, so it is hard to see why that is a problem. Lived in NY and FL, lots of schools have less green space, not wise stewardship of resources to build school now.

Clint Wolfe – Timpanogos Principal: There are multiple safety issues at Timpanogos Elementary School. Kids have been hit by cars, teachers and administrators have chased kids and saved them inches from 500 West. There is a bus stop right by the school, transients, people using drugs and alcohol often trying to get into the building. The front office can't see the front doors, they can't see people coming into or leaving the school from the office. Recently, a person came into the building after school and was in the bathroom using drugs before they were found.

D. Business Items *(Audio Timestamp 55:16)*

D.1. Business Item Large Purchase Request: Franklin Kindergarten Playground

(Audio Timestamp 55:30)

I move that we approve the large purchase request for Franklin Kindergarten Playground in the amount of \$83,036 as discussed in open meetings tonight. This motion, made by Megan Van Wagenen and seconded by Gina Hales, Carried.

Lisa Boyce:	Aye
Gina Hales:	Aye
Melanie Hall:	Aye
Emily Harrison:	Aye
Teri McCabe:	Aye
Jennifer Partridge:	Aye
Megan Van Wagenen:	Aye

D.2. Large Purchase Request: Chromebooks *(Audio Timestamp 56:23)*

I move that we approve the large purchase request for Chromebooks in the amount of \$521,648.70. This motion, made by Lisa Boyce and seconded by Melanie Hall, Carried.

Lisa Boyce:	Aye
Gina Hales:	Aye
Melanie Hall:	Aye
Emily Harrison:	Aye
Teri McCabe:	Aye

Jennifer Partridge: Aye

Megan Van Wagenen: Aye

D.3. Business Item: Policy 6900 Funding Small District Schools

(Audio Timestamp 57:36)

I move that we expire Policy 6900 Funding Small District Schools, as discussed in open meetings tonight. This motion, made by Megan Van Wagenen and seconded by Lisa Boyce, Carried.

Lisa Boyce: Aye

Gina Hales: Aye

Melanie Hall: Aye

Emily Harrison: Aye

Teri McCabe: Aye

Jennifer Partridge: Aye

Megan Van Wagenen: Aye

E. Motion to Adjourn *(Audio Timestamp 59:38)*

I move that we adjourn. This motion, made by Megan Van Wagenen and seconded by Emily Harrison, Carried.

Lisa Boyce: Aye

Gina Hales: Aye

Melanie Hall: Aye

Emily Harrison: Aye

Teri McCabe: Aye

Jennifer Partridge: Aye

Megan Van Wagenen: Aye