Journey School
A California Public Charter School
Thursday, May 28, 2026

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Approved June 15, 2026

6:00 p.m.

At Journey School
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1. *Agendas are available to audience members during the meeting and on the school website.*
2. *"Request to Speak" cards are available for all audience members who wish to speak prior to an agenda item or under the general category of "Public Comment." "Public Comment" time 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 Council can only listen to your issue, not discuss your issue, respond in substance or take action. These presentations are limited to five (5) minutes (ten (10) minutes if a translator is needed) and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed thirty (30) minutes. The Council may give direction to staff to respond to your concern.*
3. *With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may specify that agenda item on your "Request to Speak" card and submit the card prior to an agenda item. The public comment period precedes presentations on that agenda item by staff and/or school committees, Council discussion, and deliberation. You will be given an opportunity to speak for up to five (5) minutes (ten (10) minutes if a translator is needed).*

4. *When addressing the Council, speakers are requested to state their name and adhere to the time limits set forth.*
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	AGENDA ITEM	***SPONSOR***
1	***Call to Order and Roll Call :*** *The meeting was called to order by Mike Allbee at 6:09 p.m.* ***BOARD MEMBERS:*** Michael Allbee, Council President - PRESENT Margaret Moodian, Council Vice President - PRESENT Jeannie Lee, Council Secretary - PRESENT Cassie Kauwling, Board Treasurer - PRESENT Lisa Murray, Board Member - PRESENT ***ADVISORY POSITIONS****:* Faculty Advisor, Stacy Kinney - PARTICIPATING VIA ZOOM Parent Cabinet Advisor, Renal Moodley - PRESENT *Also present: Gaylen Corbett, Clerk of the Board*	*Mike Allbee*
2	***Inspirational Passage*** *- Margaret shared inspirational quotes by Mr. Rogers and Ziggy Marley.*	*Margaret Moodian*
3	***Approval of Agenda**** ***NOTE: The order of the agenda may be changed without prior notice to the public.*** *Margaret made a motion to approve the agenda. Jeannie seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.*	*Mike Allbee*
4	***PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may contribute public comment.*** *Reminder: See policy above for time guidelines.* *A public comment was offered by Renal Moodley. She read a comment written by Desigan Reddi. The request was for the board to remove a previous public comment made by teacher Kristi Kilcollins from the school's website since the Brown Act does not require posting of the full transcript.*	*Mike Allbee*

5	***FINANCIAL UPDATE & BUDGET PRESENTATION: Discussion*** *A.* ***Financial Update****: Larry Tamayo shared a report on April financials and the May Revise as outlined in the board materials.* *B.* ***Budget for 2026-27 fiscal year*:*** *Larry presented the draft 2026-2027 budget which reflects projected revenue, and expenses based on our current programming, resulting in a deficit. Gavin added that they plan to share a revised draft of the budget at the June meeting which will reflect a positive net balance.*	*0Larry Tamayo* *Larry Tamayo* *Gavin Keller*
6	***CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Items on Consent Agenda may be approved with one motion and vote for all but without discussion. If an item is to be discussed, it is removed from the Consent Agenda and moved to an Action Item immediately following the Consent Items.*** **A.** ***Approval of Minutes****: Minutes from regular meeting April 23, 2026.* ***B.*** ***Contract with ExED*:*** *Approval of renewal of Excellent Education (ExED) Business Services Agreement - Notice of Terms Supplement.* ***C.*** ***Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy*:*** *Annual approval of policy.* ***D.*** ***Renewal of contract with Strategic Kids*****: Approval of contract renewal with Strategic Kids for paraprofessionals, substitutes and after school programming.* ***E.*** ***Renewal of contact with Stepping Stones****: Approval of counselor/counseling services funded at Journey via CYBHI.* *Jeannie made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Margaret seconded the motion and all items were unanimously approved.*	*Mike Allbee*
7	***BOARD DEVELOPMENT and OVERSIGHT (Discussion/Action):*** *A.* ***Executive Director Performance Feedback Survey*:*** *Mike shared an update on the survey. It has been completed with 11 participants from PC Exec Team, council members, PEDCO and admin team members. The results will be reviewed in tonight's closed session.*	*Mike Allbee*
8	***PUBLIC HEARING: 2026-2027 Local Control and Accountability Plan* (LCAP):*** *A.* ***Public Hearing for 2026-2027 LCAP annual update and 2026-2027 LCAP*** *The public hearing was opened at 6:55 p.m. and public comment was invited in person and via Zoom. There were no requests for public comment. The hearing was closed at 6:57 p.m.*	*Gavin Keller*
9	***SCHOOL OPERATIONS: Discussion/Action***	*Gavin Keller*

	A. ***Presentation of Draft 2026-2027 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP*:*** *Gavin shared the LCAP annual update and the 2026-2027 plan. Board members reviewed the update and plan. In the related board materials, any references to 2024-25 is an error and should be viewed as 2025-26. The expenditures will be added after the draft budget is finalized. Goals 1-5 match our charter outcomes. Gavin summarized work done towards achieving each goal and described how that work will continue in 2026-27. The group discussed the school's low suspension rate, and also social emotional screenings. Board members and Gavin discussed the process of referrals for counseling services by Stepping Stones, funded by insurance providers at no cost to the school. The finalized LCAP will be brought to Council at the June meeting to be approved alongside the 2026-27 budget. Gavin stated that the input from PAC meetings has been helpful and is included in the draft, although attendance at the PAC meetings has been low.* **B.** ***Staffing Plan 2026-2027*:*** *Gavin reviewed a draft staffing plan for the 2026-2027 school year. The latest draft reflects the Governor's May revision of the state budget. The finalized staffing plan will be submitted for board approval at the June meeting.* **C.** ***Employee Handbook 2026-2027*:*** *Review and approval of updates to the Employee Handbook. Margaret made a motion to approve the revised 2026-27 Employee Handbook. Cassie seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.*	
10	***INFORMATION ITEMS: Reports*** *A.* ***Faculty Update:*** *Stacy shared an update on faculty activities including 8th grade projects, her 7th graders looking forward to their own 8th grade projects, the 8th grade trip next week, and graduation. Her 7th grade camping trip was lovely. Parent Cabinet hosted a very nice teacher appreciation luncheon that was very much appreciated by faculty and staff. She shared kudos to the teachers who helped 8th graders with their final projects, including Heather Boley, Jennifer Tarr, Lindsey LaFleur and Erin O'Neil.* *B.* ***Parent Cabinet Update****: Renal shared an update on Parent Cabinet activities. Recent events included the auction, May Faire, the ice cream social, and the clothing resale. PC's Parent Library days have been very successful. Invisible fundraising will be revamped and optimized. The volunteer appreciation tea was well received. Talent share is tomorrow with food and a pop-up shop. Student art for the PC wall calendar is due next week. Pickleball fundraiser is next weekend. Plans for next school year's Harvest Faire are underway. Parent Cabinet will be creating their own strategic plan with help from parent Kevin McHale. Their by-laws may be updated, and a volunteer agreement created. PC accounts are healthy and they have provided Journey School with a donation of $60k. Margaret inquired about sponsorship opportunities for fundraising.* *C.* ***Administrative Update****: Gavin shared an update on end of year events. He and Larry Tamayo hosted a coffee talk about Journey School finances. He also reviewed May Faire and praised Shelley's work on that event. He shared about the upcoming 8th grade graduation, state testing wrapping up for 3rd-8th graders, and summarized plans for our school lunch program to continue using CUSD for meals. Enrollment for*	*Stacy Kinney* *Renal Moodley* *Gavin Keller*

	2026-27 is projected to start with 615 students. Kindergarten teachers are helping to form next year's kindergarten and first grade classes. Shelley acknowledged our Human Resources specialist Grace LaHatt who is retiring at the end of June. Grace has served the school for many years and has always gone out of her way to serve the school and help others.	
11	***CLOSED SESSION:*** *The meeting convened to closed session to discuss the matters described below:* *A.* ***Pursuant to Government Code §54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Title:*** *School Executive Director* *B.* ***Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9:*** *Regarding anticipated litigation. Two matters, against the school.* *C.* ***Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators:*** *Update on the negotiations for 2026-27 CBA* ***Employee organization:*** *Journey Teachers' Association/CTA* ***Agency designated representative:*** *Gavin Keller* ***RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:*** *The meeting was reconvened to open session at: 10:15 p.m.* ***PUBLIC REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION*** *(includes the vote or abstention of every member present)* *Item 11A: The board reviewed the survey results.* *Item 11B: Regarding one pending litigation case, the Council gave direction to Administration to navigate due process.* *11C: No action taken.*	*Mike Allbee*
12	***Adjournment*** *Margaret made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeannie seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 p.m.*	*Mike Allbee*

Agenda publicly posted at Journey School on May 22, 2026.
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****Items that are expected to have back up materials provided prior to or at the meeting are indicate with an asterisk. Other items may also have back up materials provided.***