



**SCHOOL OF UNLIMITED LEARNING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING**

**DATE:** May 18, 2026

**TIME:** 5:30 PM

**MAIN LOCATION:** Board Room 1920 Mariposa Street, Suite 310, Fresno, CA 93721

**TEAMS:** <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/27989119888642?p=9jq01DmgCXgmNXthaS>

**AGENDA**

ITEM	SUBJECT	PRESENTER	ACTION
1. Page 2	<b>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:</b> A. Board Attendance Record		
2.	<b>POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST</b> <i>(Any Board Member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter.) (FPPC §87105)</i>		
3.	<b>PUBLIC COMMENT (Items not on the Agenda).</b> <i>(This is an opportunity for the members of the public to address the Commission on any matter related to the Commission that is not listed on the Agenda. However, California Law prohibits the Commission from taking action on any matter that is not on the posted Agenda unless the Commission determines that it is an emergency or one of the other situations specified in Government Code section 54954.2. The Chair may limit each speaker to three (3) minutes per subject or topic.)</i>		
4. Page 3	<b>FEBRUARY 23, 2026 SOUL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES</b>	Pimentel, Chair	Approve
5. Page 6	<b>SOUL PROGRAM UPDATES</b> A. Supporting Document	Dr. Varnado, Staff	Information
6.	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	Pimentel, Chair	

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**SCHOOL OF UNLIMITED LEARNING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ROLL CALL 2026**

#	Commissioner	Term Expiration	Target Area / Appointing / Nominating Org.	2/23	5/18
1	ALVARADO, ALDO	Dec 2027	Head Start CWPC	0	
2	ARAMBULA, JOAQUIN	Dec 2027	31st Assembly District	T	
3	BONNER, ALYSIA	Dec 2027	Target Area F	T	
4	BROOKS, SHAWN	Dec 2028	Target Area E	0	
5	BROWN, EARL	Dec 2027	Target Area G	0	
6	BUCKLEY, ELIZABETH	Dec 2028	Fresno Reel Pride	0	
7	DANIEL, LINZIE	Dec 2028	Board of Supervisors	N/A	
8	DHILLON, RICKIE	Dec 2028	Mayor's Appointment	N/A	
9	LEON, REY	Dec 2027	Target Area B	0	
10	LIRA, DIANE	Dec 2027	FCSS	0	
11	MARTINEZ, LUIS	Dec 2028	14 <sup>th</sup> Senatorial District	0	
12	MCALISTER, BRUCE	Dec 2028	West Fresno Faith Based Organization	T	
13	MCCOY, BARIGYE	Dec 2027	Board of Supervisors	T	
14	MCKENZIE, DEBRA	Dec 2027	Target Area H	0	
15	PIMENTEL, ROBERT	Dec 2028	West Hills Community College District	0	
16	RODGERS, JIMI	Dec 2028	Association of Black Social Workers	0	
17	ROGERS, MATT	Dec 2027	Target Area C	0	
18	TAYLOR, STEVEN	Dec 2027	NAACP	T	
19	VACANT	Dec 2027	21 <sup>st</sup> Congressional District	N/A	
20	VACANT	TBD	Target Area A	N/A	
21	VACANT	TBD	Target Area D	N/A	
22	VACANT	TBD	Community Sector Representative	N/A	
23	VACANT	TBD	Public Official Representative	N/A	
24	VACANT	Dec 2027	Juvenile Court	N/A	

*It is the Commissioner's responsibility to check the matrix, verify accuracy and inform the Secretary or designee if any changes are needed.*



## SCHOOL OF UNLIMITED LEARNING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** February 23, 2026

**TIME:** 5:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Board Room 1920 Mariposa Street, Suite 310 Fresno, CA 93721

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Robert Pimentel, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

**Present:** Aldo Alvarado, Shawn Brooks, Earl Brown, Elizabeth Buckley, Rey Leon, Diane Lira, Luis Martinez, Debra McKenzie, Robert Pimentel, Jimi Rodgers, Matt Rogers, and David Ruiz.

**Teleconference:** Joaquin Arambula, Alysia Bonner, Bruce McAlister, Barigye McCoy, and Steven Taylor.

**Absent:** Rickie Dhillon.

### 2. POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action required.

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No action required.

### 4. DECEMBER 15, 2025 SOUL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

**Motion by:** McKenzie **Second by:** Ruiz

**Ayes:** All in favor.

**Nays:** None heard.

### 5. GOVERNING COUNCIL MINUTES

A. December 9, 2025

**Motion by:** Leon **Second by:** McKenzie

**Ayes:** All in favor.

**Nays:** None heard

6. **2026-2027 SAFE SCHOOL PLAN**

Dr. Dion Varnado, Principal/Academic Officer, provided an overview of the 2026-2027 Safe School Plan for the upcoming year, as required by the district's chartering agency.

**Motion by:** Bonner **Second by:** Lira

**Ayes:** All in favor.

**Nays:** None heard.

7. **2024-2025 SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARD (SARC)**

Dr. Varnado provided an overview of the 2024-2025 School Accountability Report Card (SARC), which California schools are required to submit in accordance with the regulations set by the California Department of Education. The SARC report provides required information on multiple operational areas, including student outcomes, facilities, student and staff demographics, certifications, and curriculum usage.

**Motion by:** Bonner **Second by:** Lira

**Ayes:** All in favor.

**Nays:** None heard.

8. **POLICY REGARDING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AND NOTICE OF POLICY REGARDING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY**

Dr. Varnado provided an overview of the Policy Regarding Immigration Enforcement Activity and Notice of Policy Regarding Immigration Enforcement Activity. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security ended its restriction on immigration enforcement in schools, leading California to amend EC 234.7 to better protect students and school communities.

**Motion by:** Leon **Second by:** Bonner

**Ayes:** All in favor.

**Nays:** None heard.

9. **MID-YEAR LOCAL CONTROL ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP)**

Dr. Varnado presented an overview of the Mid-Year Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), with detailed key goals, actions, and budgeted expenditures.

No action required.

10. **PRINCIPAL REPORT**

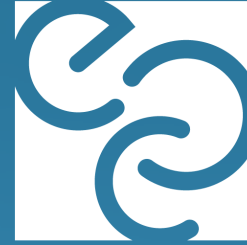
Dr. Varnado provided an overview of the principal report, highlighting that current enrollment stands at 182 students, with 32 enrolled in the classroom-based program and the remainder participating in the Personalized Learning Program, which requires 3 hours of weekly attendance, exceeding state requirements. Enrollment is evenly split by gender, with approximately 85% Hispanic/Latino students.


Dr. Varnado also announced that SOUL has been recommended for a three-year charter renewal by the Fresno Unified review team, with the final decision vote scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Additionally, the school recently received long-awaited city permits to begin facility renovations, and construction is expected to start within the week to improve space utilization and better support student needs.

No action required.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.




Fresno EOC  
**SOUL**  
**Charter**   
**High School**

# SOUL Program Updates

School of Unlimited Learning  
May 18, 2026

# Operations

- The charter term for the school has been updated under the Charter Schools Database:
- Remodel 
- CalSTRS Implemented w/supporting documents

## School Information

10-62166-1030642

Start Serving Students: 7/21/199

Date Charter Expires: 6/30/2029

Charter Type: Start-up

Funding Mode: Direct

Site Type: Combination of Site-ba

# Flexible Instructional Programs

Traditional all-day classrooms

Personalized Learning

CTE-ROP w/FCSS

Dual Credit

Career Training

Hybrid Classes



# Extra-Curricular Activities

Providing support for students' needs, extending learning opportunities, and fun!



# Community Partnerships

