

# AGENDA



## GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ARARAT CHARTER SCHOOL

**January 23, 2025**  
**6:30 pm**

***Regular Meeting Location:***

*Ararat Charter School – Campus 1  
6555 Sylmar Avenue  
Van Nuys, CA 91401*

***Teleconferencing is available at:***

*Ararat Charter School – Campus 2  
13400 Erwin Street  
Van Nuys, CA 91401*

***Instructions for Presentations to The Board by Parents and Citizens***

The Ararat Charter School (“School”) welcomes your participation at the School’s Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Governing Board (“Board”) is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided.

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.
2. “Oral Communications” 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 Board can only listen to your issue, not respond, or take action. Members of the public who wish to comment during the Board meeting may use the "Request to Address the Governing Board” form" available on the School’s website. Individual comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. If an interpreter is needed for comments, they will be translated to English and the time limit shall be six (6) minutes. The Governing Board may limit the total time for public comment to a reasonable time.
3. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.
4. Citizens may request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda. Once such an item is properly agendized and publicly noticed, the Board can respond, interact, and act upon the item.
5. The Board reserves the right to mute or remove a member of the public if comments or actions disrupts the Board meeting.
6. Access to Board Materials: A copy of the written materials which will be submitted to the School's Governing Board may be reviewed by any interested persons on Ararat Charter School's website along with this agenda following the posting of the agenda at least 72 hours in advance of this meeting.
7. Disability Access: Requests for disability-related modifications or accommodations to participate in this public meeting should be made 24 hours prior to the meeting by calling (818) 994-2904 or [cmenjivar@araratcharterschool.com](mailto:cmenjivar@araratcharterschool.com). All efforts will be made for reasonable accommodations. The agenda and public documents can be modified upon request as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**I. OPEN SESSION**

- a. **Call to Order**
- b. **Roll Call**

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING(S)**

- a. December 12, 2024, Meeting Minutes

**III. APPROVAL OF CHECK AND CREDIT CARD REGISTERS**

- a. October 2024
- b. November 2024

**IV. COMMUNICATIONS**

**a. PUBLIC HEARING/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

*Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes, and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations, and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give directions to staff following a presentation.*

**b. PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

*This is a presentation of information that has occurred since the previous Board meeting.*

- **English Learner Instruction**
  - No update
- **Special Education**
  - No update
- **General Education**
  - Charter School Division (CSD) visit on January 16, 2025
  - School Accountability Report Card (SARC) - detailed information about Ararat’s programs and community due February 1, 2025
  - Four teachers will attend Thinking Maps training paid through a LACOE grant
- **School Fiscal Plans**
  - LCAP – midyear update in February

**c. OPERATIONS AND/OR COMPLIANCE MANAGERS’ REPORTS**

*This is a presentation of information since the previous Board meeting. (Per attached report)*

1. **Enrollment**
  - Latest student enrollment report by grade level
2. **Attendance**
  - Report on the percentage of the Monthly Attendance
3. **State and Local Mandated Reports**

- Civil Rights Data Collection due March 7, 2025

**4. Update on Legislation**

- AB 2158 “ethics” training - required 2-hour training by Jan. 1, 2026, and then every two years thereafter.

**d. FINANCIAL REPORT**

*This is an update on what has transpired since the last board meeting.*

1. Audit Report
2. FY25 November Forecast Mid-Year Plan

**V. DISCUSSION, INFORMATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS**

*After the presentations, the Board will consider which items will be removed from the list of “consent” items which will be adopted with a single vote without discussion. This is followed by the Board discussing and voting on the items removed from the list by the Board or where individuals have signed up to address the Board on the item.*

- a. Update on Facilities and all Related Matters**
- b. School Accountability Report Card (SARC) - detailed information about Ararat’s programs and community due February 1, 2025**
- c. 2023-2024 Audit Report**
- d. Retention Stipend**
- e. Resolution for Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) Emergency Closure**
- f. Update Fiscal Policies and Procedures Manual**

**VI. CLOSED SESSION**

*Adjourned to Closed Session to consider and/or take action upon any of the following items:  
Public Employee Employment (G.C. 54957)*

**Title:**

- **Pupil Discipline**
- **Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, and Discipline of Personnel**
- **Real Estate Negotiations**

**VII. PUBLIC SESSION – REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

*The Governing Board will report out any action taken in the Closed Session if any*

**VIII. ACTION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

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- a. Approval is requested for Facilities Related Matters**
- b. Approval is requested for the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) - detailed information about Ararat’s programs and community due February 1, 2025**
- c. Approval is requested for the 2023-2024 Audit Report**
- d. Approval is requested for Retention Stipend**
- e. Approval is requested for Resolution for Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) Emergency Closure**
- f. Approval is requested to Update the Fiscal Policies and Procedures Manual**

**IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*The Board will discuss items for future Board meeting agendas*

**X. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE**

February 20, 2025

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**