MINUTES

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
ARARAT CHARTER SCHOOL

June 25, 2026
5:00 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

- *GCC-Garfield Campus*

1122 East Garfield Ave., MP-120
Glendale, CA 91205

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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. 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.

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I. OPEN SESSION

a. Call to Order
This meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson at 5:13 pm.

b. Roll Call

Ms. Avakian	☒	☐
Ms. Shamieh	☐	☒
Dr. Velarde	☒	☐
Mr. Merzian	☐	☒
Mr. Shirvanian	☒	☐
Ms. Izakowitz	☒	☐
Mr. Asatryan	☐	☒

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

a. No approval needed

III. APPROVAL OF CHECK AND CREDIT CARD REGISTERS

a. No approval needed

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.
No presentation

c. OPERATIONS AND COMPLIANCE REPORTS
This is a presentation of information since the previous Board meeting. (Per attached report)
No presentation

d. FINANCIAL REPORT
This is an update on what has transpired since the last board meeting.
No presentation

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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. 2026-2027 Education Protection Account (EPA) Spending Determination
As required by Proposition 30 and continued under Proposition 55, public schools in California must annually approve a spending plan for Education Protection Account (EPA) funds. These funds are part of the state's general fund and must be used for instructional purposes, with a public report on actual expenditures. The proposed spending plan historically designates all EPA funds to support certificated teacher salaries.

b. 2026-2027 Consolidated Application for Funding
The Consolidated Application (ConApp) is the annual funding mechanism used by the California Department of Education (CDE) to distribute categorical funds, including Title I, II, III, and IV, to eligible local educational agencies. Submission of the ConApp application through CARS ensures the school remains eligible to receive federal and state program allocations for the upcoming school year. The Board is asked to review and approve the submission of the 2026–27 ConApp application to secure funding for key supplemental programs that support academic achievement, professional development, and services for English learners and socioeconomically disadvantaged students.

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:

- **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

After the presentations, the Board considered which items to be removed from the list of "consent" items that 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. Approval is Requested for 2026-2027 Education Protection Account (EPA) Spending Determination
b. Approval is Requested for 2026-2027 Consolidated Application for Funding
The Board believes that a DELAC meeting was not required. However, should it be determined that one is required, the Board voted to approve it as presented.

Recommend approval
Motion by: Ms. Avakian
Seconded by: Mr. Shirvanian
Vote: Approved Unanimously

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IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Board will discuss items for future Board meeting agendas

X. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 pm.

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