Black Parallel School Board
AGENDA
November 7, 2026

Virtual Meeting
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Time	Description	Action	Facilitator
10:00 – 10:02 AM	Open Meeting	I	Breazell
10:02 – 10:05	Presentation on Board Process and Swearing in	I/C	Pinkston
10:05 – 10:15	Minutes	I/D/C	DeWitt
10:15- 10:45	Presentation: Black Boys and Waldorf Schooling		Andre Thompson
10:45-11:00	Community Input		
11:00-11:10	Chair Report		Breazell
11:10-11:15	SCUSD Updates		Pinkston
11:10- 11:50	Updates on BPSB Work • Parent Power Series - Pinkston • Parent Outreach – Bryson • BPSB/Independent Monitor: Barnes • Education Clinic: Pinkston • Policy Update: Pinkston	I/D	
12:00 noon	• Adjournment		All

Action: D= Discussion, I= Information, C= Consensus

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Minutes of Black Parallel School Board Monthly Meeting - 10/03/26

Date and time: **10**/03/26 10:00 am to: 10/03/26 12:00 pm
Executive Council Present: Carl Pinkston, Marian Bryson, LaShanya Breazell, and Faye Wilson Kennedy
Location: Zoom

Topics

1. Recap of the Meeting

2. Follow Us

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3. Introductions

Note Is your name misspelled? Post the correct spelling in the Zoom chat, and the minute-taker will correct it.

Sharon Thurmond, Jim Peterson, Tim Cunningham, Sue Ciminelli, Sharon Saffold, Jasmine Hailey, Cancy McArn, Arthur Aleman, Mykel Gayent, Gilberto, Estella Dunn, Cristal Banagan, Muriel Strand, Zuri K., Dominique Donette, Lin Johnson, Maria. Herndon, Treanannette Hancock, Zelon Harrison, and LaRayvian Barnes.

4. BPSB Minutes

Note Review minutes for previous BPSB meetings here: https://blackparallelschoolboard.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/BPSB-October-2026-Board-packet.pdf.

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5. Chair Report

5-1. Open Meeting

The Black Parallel School Board held its monthly meeting on October 3rd, 2026, with LaShanya Brazil serving as chair. The Black Parallel School Board meeting began with Carl conducting the swearing-in ceremony for new members, followed by LaShanya outlining the agenda and meeting procedures. Carl then read the minutes from the previous September meeting, covering topics including Sac City Unified School District updates, the Million Father March, and community input sessions.

5-2. Chair

LaShanya provided an update about United and Guided's Funky Fresh Fridays event in Oak Park and mentioned their case management services, encouraging board members to attend or serve as a vendor at the upcoming October 30th event.

6. Sac City Unified Updates

Carl provided updates from recent school board meetings, focusing on financial reports and policy changes. He explained that the unaudited financial statement for the 2025-2026 school year showed a better situation than initially feared, though not completely positive. The board approved a fiscal recovery plan MOU and a multi-year budget, with Carl recommending that the community wait for the December interim budget for more accurate future projections. He also noted that board policies were updated to reflect current laws, though these updates are not final and community input can still be provided.

Carl discussed challenges with the district's implementation of educational programs, explaining that bureaucratic systems move slowly and emphasizing the need for community and parent involvement to ensure real changes are made rather than just money being spent. He provided updates on the district's financial situation, noting that while there were initial concerns about running out of money in June 2026, the district actually projected a $33 million surplus for June 2027 if all agreed-upon measures are implemented at 100%. Carl also highlighted the board's new practice of reviewing all contracts over $15,000, including special education contracts, with a focus on cost containment and ensuring proper documentation before approval.

7. Community Input

The meeting featured updates from various participants representing different organizations and school districts. Cancy McCarn, Superintendent of Sacramento City Unified School District, thanked the community for completing LCFF forms at a

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high rate, which will provide ongoing revenue for the district.

Mykel announced a Rite of Passage event scheduled for November 7th at Foreign Square's Digital Cafe and Lounge, featuring panel discussions and speakers about bringing the program to the Sacramento community.

Dominique provided updates on two bills supported by the Black Parallel School Board: AB 1454 (literacy bill) is currently being implemented, and the math assessment bill has passed the governor. The conversation ended with plans to move into a Sacramento City Unified School District update presented by Mr. Pinkston

Carl provided updates on recent governance practices and board member training needs. He discussed the importance of making good governance practices permanent through board policies and administrative regulations, emphasizing the need for diverse board members with educational expertise and ongoing training.

8. Parent Power Series

Note Carl then updated the group on the Parent Power Series, highlighting recent sessions on special education and suspension data, and announced an upcoming presentation on school structure scheduled for October 14th.

9. Updates on BPSB Work

9-1. Parent Outreach

Note Marian provided updates on parent outreach activities, including attending events at Sac City Unified School District, John Still Community Resource, and a Families of Black Students barbecue in Elk Grove. She reported positive engagement with over 100 families at these events and discussed plans to partner with local organizations on parent recruiting and support services. The team also discussed growth in school site council participation, with new parent representatives being installed at Johnson and Kennedy schools, and ongoing efforts to recruit parents and students for Burbank's school site council.

9-2. Independent Monitor

Note LaRayvian Barnes provided an update on the district's implementation plan, which is being finalized with the independent monitor and expected to start in December. Carl discussed ongoing work with community schools and the multi-tiered system of support to better integrate services for students with disabilities. Carl and Mary are developing a resource guide to support students with disabilities who are also homeless or unhoused, aiming to integrate services rather than treat them as separate programs.

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The meeting discussed implementing the Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) model, with Cancy explaining that 10 proof-of-concept elementary schools are currently participating and that data governance improvements are being developed. Carl announced upcoming education clinics, including one on October 22nd that will serve both Spanish- and English-speaking families, and reported receiving multiple parent calls regarding pre-K services and the difference between 504 and IEP plans.

9-3. Policy

Dominique provided an update on SB 1067 legislation, explaining that it will implement universal mass screening for students in K-2 to identify those needing additional support, with small group tutoring planned as a next step, while acknowledging community concerns about over-testing and over-identification.

Carl and Dominique discussed the implementation of literacy assessment tools, including plans for a matrix to track implementation in Sac City and a future listening session in November to gather community input on policy changes. Dominique explained that the math risk assessment process will follow a similar approach to reading, with an expert panel identifying evidence-based screeners that will be published and approved by the State Board

. Other Activities

Note

10. Adjournment

11. Next Steps

- Carl dropped the flyer for the Parent Power Series on October 14th in the chat.
- Carl will check in with the Latino Parallel School Board regarding outreach for the October 22nd Education Clinic.
- Dominique sent the link to the bill language and explainer for SB 1067 in the chat.
- Faye will follow up with NF Williams regarding the Sacramento Observer podcast invitation for an update on Measure M.
- LaRayvian will communicate the finalized Independent Monitor implementation plan and dates for parent advisory committee outreach.
- Marian will discuss with Carl how to handle the Latino parent concerns from Bowling Green and Fern Bacon.

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