Fresno Unified Board Bylaw (BB) 9324
Minutes and Recordings

The Governing Board recognizes that maintaining accurate minutes of Board meetings provides a record of Board actions for use by district staff and the public and helps foster public trust in Board governance.

(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)
(cf. 9005 - Governance Standards)
(cf. 9323 - Meeting Conduct)

The secretary of the Governing Board shall keep minutes and record all official Board actions. The Board's minutes shall be public records and shall be made available to the public upon request.

(Education Code 35145, 35163)
(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)
(cf. 9122 - Secretary)
(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

The minutes of Board meetings shall include, but not be limited to:

1. A notation of which Board members are present, in person or by teleconference, and whether a member is not present for part of the meeting due to late arrival and/or early departure

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits)
(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

2. A brief summary of the Board's discussion on each agenda topic, rather than a verbatim record of each Board member's specific points of view during the discussion

3. A summary of the public comments made on agendized items and unagendized topics

4. The specific language of each motion and the names of the Board members who made and seconded the motion

5. Preferential votes cast by student Board member(s) (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 9150 - Student Board Members)

6. Any action taken by the Board, and the vote or abstention on that action of each Board member present (Education Code 35145; Government Code 54953)

The minutes shall not include the student's or parent/guardian's address, telephone number, date of birth, or email address, or the student's name or other directory information as defined in Education Code 49061, unless otherwise required by law. (Education Code 49073.2)

(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

The Board agenda shall include a statement of the option and process for students and parents/guardians to request that such information be excluded from the minutes.

The Superintendent or designee shall distribute a copy of the "unapproved" minutes of the previous meeting(s) with the agenda for the next regular meeting. The Board shall approve the minutes as circulated or with necessary amendments.

Copies of the minutes of each regular or special meeting shall be distributed to all Board
members with the agenda for the next regular meeting.

Any minutes or recordings kept for Board meetings held in closed session shall be kept separately from the minutes or recordings of regular and special meetings. Minutes or recordings of closed sessions are not public records. (Government Code 54957.2)

(cf. 9321.1 - Closed Session Conduct and Reports)

Official Board minutes and recordings shall be stored in a secure location and shall be retained in accordance with law.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Recording or Broadcasting of Meetings
The district may tape, film, stream, or broadcast any open Board meeting.

Any district recording may be erased or destroyed 30 days after the meeting. Recordings made at the direction of the Board during a meeting are public records and, upon request, shall be made available for inspection by members of the public on a district equipment without charge. (Government Code 54953.5)

Fresno Unified School District prohibits discrimination, harassment (including sexual harassment), intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived race, color, ethnicity, national origin, immigration status, ancestry, age (40 and above), religious creed, religion, political belief or affiliation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, mental or physical disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, childbirth, breastfeeding/lactation status, medical condition, military and veteran status, or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics or any other basis protected by law or regulation, in its educational program(s) or employment.

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
35012 Number of members; terms; student board members
35145 Public meetings
35163 Official actions, minutes, and journals
35164 Vote requirements
49061 Student records; definitions
49073.2 Privacy of student and parent/guardian personal information
PENAL CODE
632 Unlawful to intentionally record a confidential communication without consent
GOVERNMENT CODE
54952.2 Meeting defined
54953 Meetings
54953.5 Audio or video recording of proceedings
54953.6 Broadcasting of proceedings
54957.2 Closed sessions; clerk; minute book
54960 Violations and remedies
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
16020-16027 Classification and retention of records

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