



**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD  
OF THE ACALANES UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Resolution No. 25-26-19**

**AFFIRMING THE GOVERNING BOARD'S COMMITMENT TO  
WHOLE DISTRICT REPRESENTATION  
FOLLOWING TRANSITION TO BY-TRUSTEE AREA ELECTION METHOD**

**WHEREAS**, on July 9, 2025, the Acalanes Union High School District ("District") Board of Education ("Board") passed Resolution No. 25-26-01 indicating the Board's intent to transition from at-large to by-trustee area elections commencing with the 2026 Governing Board Election; and

**WHEREAS**, a transition to by-trustee area elections requires the Board to approve a map that divides the District into trustee areas of approximately equal populations, amongst other criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, in a by-trustee area election system, residents who reside within a specific trustee area can vote only for the Board candidates who also reside within that specific trustee area; and

**WHEREAS**, Board members and community members have expressed concern that a by-trustee area method of election may cause candidates and future trustees to focus only on representing the interests of the trustee area from which the trustee is elected; and

**WHEREAS**, District Board Bylaw ("BB") 9005 currently makes clear that the Board "believes that its primary responsibility is to act in the best interests of every student in the district. The Board also has major commitments to parents/guardians, all members of the community, employees, the state of California, laws pertaining to public education, and established policies of the district"; and

**WHEREAS**, BB 9005 also provides that, "Board members also shall assume collective responsibility for building unity and creating a positive organizational culture;"

**WHEREAS**, the Board's unity of purpose commits Board members to ensure all the high school and transition students have access to a rigorous and comprehensive curriculum in a safe, supportive and inclusive educational environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has developed shared core values to support effective governance for all District students and all schools: Excellence and Innovation, Integrity, Equity, Curiosity, Fiscal Responsibility and Community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby finds the foregoing recitals to be true and correct; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board reaffirms its collective commitment to the principles stated in BB 9005; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that after the Board completes the transition to, and implements, by-trustee area elections, all Board members shall continue to make it their primary responsibility to act in the best interest of all students; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that after the Board completes the transition to, and implements, by-trustee area elections, the Board shall continue to be committed to serving the needs of all community members; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that after the Board completes the transition to, and implements, by-trustee area elections, the Board shall continue to have a unity of purpose; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that after the Board completes the transition to, and implements, by-trustee area elections, the Board shall continue to keep the District focused on learning and achievement for all students throughout the District; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that after the Board completes the transition to, and implements, by-trustee area elections, the Board shall continue to communicate a common vision; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the District Superintendent shall present a copy of this Resolution to all future Board members upon the completion of their taking the oath of office.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board on September 17, 2025 at a duly noticed meeting by the following vote:

AYES:	J. Chen, P. Chopra, N. Kendzierski, W. Reicher, S. Schweppe
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None



Jennifer Chen, President of Governing Board  
Acalanes Union High School District

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced and adopted by the members of the Governing Board of the Acalanes Union High School District at the public meeting of said Board held this 6th day of August 2025.



Wendy Reicher, Clerk of Governing Board  
Acalanes Union High School District