



PENRYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

Chair Hotaling, Vice-Chair Hardesty, Secretary Shields, Directors Heimlich and Verdugo

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING February 16, 2026

1. **Call the meeting to order and Roll Call:** Chair Hotaling called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
Directors in attendance: Danielle Hardesty, Cheryl Hotaling, Larry Shields, Diego Heimlich, and Robert Verdugo
Directors absent: N/A
Staff in attendance: Assistant Chief Slusher, Division Chief Williamson, Fire Marshall D'Ambrogi, and District Manager Armstrong
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chair Hotaling led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Director Heimlich moved to approve the agenda. Director Verdugo seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Director Heimlich moved to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2026 meeting. Director Shields seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
5. **Financial Report & Bill Approval:** Vice-Chair Hardesty moved to approve the financial report and expenses. Director Heimlich seconded the motion that passed unanimously.
6. **Correspondence:** N/A
7. **Public Comment:**
Donna – Prop 172 was a state wide sales tax dedicated solely to law enforcement and fire, Placer County give it to the Sherriff, District Attorney, Probation, and larger districts. This last year they received 63 million, we've lobbied since 2014 to get our fair share to the rural fire districts.
8. **Informational/Non-Action Items:**
 - A. **Sierra Nevada Firefighters, Local 3800 (Local 3800):** N/A
 - B. **Fire Chiefs Report: Assistant Chief Slusher**
 1. Assembly Bill 1383 made its way through the Assembly, it's a reform on pension law. It would give our districts the opportunity to change their retirement formulas with CalPERS. The bill is currently with the senate committee.
 2. The Sub-JOA, with the City of Auburn, has been in effect for about 2 weeks now.
 3. The Placer Hills and Newcastle reorg public hearing at LAFCo was successful, protest hearing will be on March 25th.
 - Operations report: Assistant Chief Slusher**
 1. The operations report is in the packet, includes information data on 2025. The call volume is up slightly.
 2. Recent switch in system has prevented us from pulling 2026 data, staff is working to develop a new report.
 - Fire Prevention report: Division Chief Williamson**
 3. Completed 1 water main for the solar company, 1 propane line, 1 plan review.
 - C. **Director Committee Reports**
 1. **Personnel Committee:** Chair Hotaling reported that negotiations are anticipated to start in March.
 2. **Administrative Contract & Finance Oversight Committee:** N/A
 3. **Ad hoc committee for future cooperation with other fire departments.** Fire Marshal D'Ambrogi reported that staff had a meeting with the Ad hoc committee of the directors group to get some direction on future planning. Anticipate the meetings starting up again in April.

D. Status on Placer County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan update for 2026

Fire Marshal D'Ambrogi shared there is not much change since last month, consultant is reviewing the draft plan. The community wildfire protection plan is developing a survey that should be published soon, it will be shared on our webpages when it becomes available.

9. Action Items:

A. Consider and adopt Resolution No. 2026-01 review and accept the state mandated annual inspection report for 2025

Division Chief Williamson shared that this is for the annual state mandated inspections; schools, preschools, multi-family residents. Vice-Chair Hardesty moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-01. Director Shields seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by roll call.

B. Consider and approve the first reading of an amended Wellness and Fitness Program Policy

Motion made by Vice-Chair Hardesty to approve the first reading of an amended Wellness and Fitness Program Policy. Director Heimlich seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

C. Consider and approve a Letter of Agreement for Occupational Health and Safety Services between The Permanente Medical Group, Inc. and Penryn Fire Protection District

Motion made by Vice-Chair Hardesty to approve the Letter of Agreement for Occupational Health and Safety Services between The Permanente Medical Group, Inc and Penryn Fire Protection District. Director Verdugo seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

D. Consider and approve submitting a nomination for the Special District Representative on the Placer County Local Agency Formation Commission

Motion made by Chair Hotaling to nominate Judy Friedman for the Special District Representative on the Placer County Local Agency Formation Commission. Chair Verdugo seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm

Next Board Meeting: Monday, March 16, 2026 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (PST)

Respectfully submitted,



District Manager