

“AAUW School Board Project: Defending the Frontline of Democracy”
A Symposium Presented by the AAUW California Public Policy Committee
January 31, 2026

Time	Topic	Presenter
9:00-9:05 a.m.	Opening, Overview	Kathi Harper
9:05-9:45	Keynote: Federal Challenges to California Education Laws	Richard Barrera Trustee, San Diego School Board
9:45-10:30	Presentation by the Public School Defenders Hub: How to Effectively Monitor School Board Meetings for Compliance with CA Laws	Brianna Mullen Education Advocate
10:30-10:35	Break	
10:35-11:15	Panel Discussion: Challenges Facing Our School Boards and How Our Managers	Lisa Gross California PTA Board of
	Members Can Assist Them in Ensuring an Equitable and Quality Education for All CA Students	Nancy Young Murietta School Board
	Trustee	Ariel Bustamante Sr. Manager, LA LGBTQ Center
11:15-11:55	Workshop #1: Recruiting School Board Candidates	Kyrstin Schuette Director, School Board Integrity Project
	Workshop #2: Coalition Building for Greater Community Impact	Ogie Strogatz Laurinda Ochoa AAUW Members, Danville-Alamo-Walnut Creek Branch
11:55 - 12:00	Wrap-up, Final Q&A	

The registration link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/qWr6jFavQbmVcE6YX1wC4g>