

Chester Public Utility District

Education Report

2-23-2026

General Manager, Bonnie Mullaney

- Most of the Board and staff have completed the required classes. We will keep up on it and make sure they are all completed soon.
- Tami Tharp voluntarily took the following webinar: California State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) Informational Session.

Great job Tami!

Tami has an update to add: It was a busy first month. Aside from getting an overview on how rates (and rate increases) are calculated, I was given a well-planned facilities tour, and participated in three webinars: ethics, sexual harassment avoidance, and a Cybersecurity grant. Next month I will complete training on the Brown Act and look for other webinars of relevance. Tami

- Rick Paulson voluntarily took Intro Into Finance for Board members and Liability Issues 2025. **Great job Rick!**
- I took two classes through CSDA, “How to Build a Better Multi-Year Strategic Plan” and “Building Tomorrow: Mastering Capital Project Financing for Special Districts”
- There are a lot of good classes free for Board and staff to take. I want everyone to please continue to look for classes you are interested in. Education is everything! You get a public shout out on this report and it’s FREE!

- Upcoming classes: SB 827 Fiscal & Financial Training: Mar. 4 (Webinar). The Board are all scheduled to take this required webinar as well as staff, except for office staff. Office staff have a required fire training class they must attend that day. Staff will wait for the on-demand class to be available. It must be taken before July 1st, 2026.
- MIP: We took 2 MIP training classes, 2 hours each. It was helpful in navigating the cloud version and we have video recordings of the training, which is nice.
- Office staff attended the Plumas County Operation Area Chiefs meeting to discuss the transition coming up into the upgraded IQS software system. Only our office staff operate the functional IQS software that will be necessary soon for all the fire districts in the County. This IQS program, if they choose not to participate, will hinder the nonparticipating departments visibility of available resources from the nationwide dispatch system. Each department will need to integrate all their response personnel if they haven't already by March 31st.