



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees -

Revised

09/20/2021 07:00 PM

Closed Session - 6:00 PM -- Open Session - 7:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

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Attendees

Voting Members

Vaishali Sirkay, President

Steve Taglio, Vice-President

Jessica Speiser, Clerk

Vladimir Ivanovic, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Jeffrey Baier, Superintendent

Sandra McGonagle, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction

Randy Kenyon, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

A. CALL TO ORDER (6:00 PM)

Regular Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Sirkay at 6:00 p.m.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

There were no requests for public comment.

C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 6:00 p.m.

1. Anticipated Litigation
2. 10th Site Property Negotiations
3. Conference with Labor Negotiators
4. Public Employee Performance Evaluation

D. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION (7:00 PM)

The meeting reconvened at 7:02 p.m.

Mrs. Sirkay announced a recording and live stream of this meeting is being made at the direction of the Board and this recording and live stream may capture images and sounds of those attending the meeting.

1. Roll Call

Mrs. Sirkay called the roll.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Sirkay asked those in attendance to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Approval

Motion: Approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by: Jessica Speiser

Motion seconded by: Steve Taglio

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

4. Closed Session Report

Mrs. Sirkay reported no action was taken in closed session.

5. Superintendent's Update

Mr. Baier shared the following report:

- Attended the Gardner Bullis PTA meeting last week and will attend additional PTA meetings this week.
- Student pooled testing started today and additional information will be shared later in the meeting.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

Ms. Speiser noted an error in section 3.6 of the Walden West Agreement. The amount should be \$1,000.00 but is shown as \$1,00.00. Mrs. McGonagle will have the amount corrected.

Motion: Approve the Consent Calendar with the noted correction.

Motion made by: Jessica Speiser

Motion seconded by: Steve Taglio

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

1. Minutes of the August 30, 2021 Regular Meeting and September 13, 2021 Special Meeting
2. Purchase Orders
3. Disposal of Surplus Technology Equipment
4. Resolution #21/22-02, Single Subject Teaching Credential
5. Resolution #21/22-03, Multiple Subject Teaching Credential
6. Resolution #21/22-04, Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential
7. Walden West Agreement
8. Board Policy Updates
 - a. BP 3110, Transfer of Funds
 - b. BP/AR 3230, Federal Grant Funds
 - c. BP 3280, Sale, Lease, Rental of District-Owned Property
 - d. AR 3311.2, Lease-Leaseback Contracts
 - e. AR 3311.3, Design-Build Contracts
 - f. BP 3452, Student Activity Funds
 - g. AR 4161.2/4261.2/4361.2, Personal Leaves

- h. AR 4161.8/4261.8/4361.8, Family Care and Medical Leave
- i. BP/AR 5113.1, Chronic Absence and Truancy
- j. BP/AR 5121, Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement
- k. BP/AR 6142.8, Comprehensive Health Education
- l. BP 7210, Facilities Financing

9. Board Policy Deletions

Mr. Baier presented the board policy exhibits for deletion. Approval of these deletions will take place at the next regular meeting.

- a. AR 3110, Transfer of Funds
- b. BP 3111, Deferred Maintenance Fund
- c. AR 3515.1, Crime Data Reporting

10. Personnel Action

F. EMPLOYEE REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

1. Los Altos Teachers Association

Kate Schermerhorn, LATA President, shared the following report:

- Teachers are looking forward to the Professional Development Day on Friday.
- Teachers are appreciative of the pooled testing starting this week for students.
- LATA and LASD held their first bargaining session of the year and teachers are excited to enter into another year of close collaboration with the district.
- On a personal level, she has been enjoying visiting the school sites.

2. California School Employees Association

Elena Shea, CSEA Vice-President, shared the following report:

- CSEA employees have been working hard supporting students, teachers, and administration with the start of the school year.
- Shared her appreciation for the COVID-19 protocols in place for this year to keep everyone safe and healthy.
- Pooled testing started today at Covington.

G. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Thaddeus Kozinski spoke on the responsibility of school board members on measures taken during COVID-19.

Anand Ranganathan spoke on being transparent about Covid-19 cases.

H. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Summer Academy Report

Laura Wiley, Summer School Principal, presented information on this year's Summer Academy program. Student progress and key takeaways from the program were also shared.

Brooke Lopez provided public comment.

2. School Operations Update

Mr. Baier reported student pooled testing with Concentric began this week. In partnership with MVLA and El Camino Hospital, PCR testing will be available every school day for LASD students, as needed, at both high schools.

The following recommended modifications to outdoor masking were shared:

- After school programs and providers at our elementary and junior high schools should follow the public health orders in place for their programs rather than LASD overseeing those requirements. This will be revisited after pooled testing is in place and/or younger students have the option for vaccination.
- For the junior high schools, students participating in after school sports should follow league masking requirements, flexibility should be allowed during physical education classes, and after school programs and providers should follow the public health orders in place for their programs rather than LASD overseeing those requirements.

Melissa S., Thaddeus Kozinski, Jeannie Tsai, Melissa Sobel, Nancy Colace, Laurie Siu, Elena Melgarejo, Kirsten Leute, Alyssa Burgart, Neeraj Mathur, Melissa Browne, Peipei Yu, Shilpa Anand, Trish Carballar, and Jon Bennett provided public comment.

The Board directed staff to implement the recommended modifications.

3. Independent Study Update

Mrs. McGonagle shared an update on the Independent Study program offered this year as an option to in-person learning due to a student's medical condition.

4. Public Hearing: Textbook Certification

Mrs. McGonagle reported according to Education Code 60119 the local governing board is to hold an annual public hearing and make a determination, through resolution, as to whether each pupil in each school in the district has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both. Mrs. McGonagle reported all schools have appropriate materials for teachers and students.

The public hearing was opened at 9:13 p.m. There were no requests for public input and the hearing was immediately closed.

5. Resolution #21/22-05, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

Motion: To approve Resolution #21/22-05, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials, as presented.

Motion made by: Vaishali Sirkay

Motion seconded by: Steve Taglio

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

6. Board Meeting Protocols

Mr. Baier reported Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, allowing school board meetings and public comment to take place online, will expire at the end of this month. Assembly Bill 361 was just signed into law and will allow for the continuation of online meetings and public comment if certain requirements are met. Options and considerations for conducting board meetings beginning in October were shared.

Jeannie Tsai provided public comment.

Staff was directed to continue with online meetings and public comment for the two meetings in October.

7. Board Policy Updates

Mr. Baier presented updates to board policies, administrative regulations and board bylaws for review. Board input was taken on additional changes to the policies.

Approval of these updates with requested changes will take place at the next regular meeting.

- a. BP/AR 0430, Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education
- b. BP/AR 1312.3, Uniform Complaint Procedures
- c. AR 1312.4, Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
- d. BP/AR 3320, Claims and Actions Against the District
- e. BP/AR 4119.25/4219.25/4319.25, Political Activities of Employees
- f. BP 4140/4240/4340, Bargaining Units
- g. BP/AR 5113.2, Work Permits
- h. BP/AR 5141.31, Immunizations
- i. BP 6170.1, Transitional Kindergarten
- j. BB 9012, Board Member Electronic Communications
- k. BB 9320, Meetings and Notices

8. Board Policy Deletions

- a. E 1312.3, Uniform Complaint Procedures
- b. E 1312.4(3)(4), Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

I. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Mrs. McGonagle:

- Will meet with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for stage 2 institutional approval of LASD's Teacher Induction Program on September 30.
- The LCAP testing for all new English lanaguage learners is complete and reclassification will take place in October.
- The first Professional Development Day will take place for all pre-school through 8th grade teachers on September 24. Elementary teachers will focus on reading intervention and mathematics, and the junior high teachers will select high level practices.

Mr. Kenyon:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Mr. Baier:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Mr. Ivanovic:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Ms. Speiser:

- Attended Oak and Gardner Bullis PTA meetings.
- Attended the Santa Clara County Democratic Party Victory dinner.

Mr. Johnson:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Mrs. Sirkay:

- Nothing to report at this time.

J. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.



Jeffrey Baier, Secretary to the Board of Trustees



Jessica Speiser, Clerk