

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees 09/23/2024 - 07:00 PM

District Office Board Room 201 Covington Road, Los Altos Closed Session - 6:15 PM -- Open Session - 7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES



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Public Comment

Public comment will only be taken in-person. Prior to addressing the Board, each speaker is requested to complete a speaker card (located on the table near the door) and hand it to the Superintendent before the meeting starts or at the beginning of the agenda item. Requests received after public comment has begun on an agenda item will not be accepted. Per Board Bylaw 9323 - Meeting Conduct, each agenda or non-agenda item is limited to 30 minutes of public comment.

Individual speaker time is determined by the number of speakers on an item, as follows:

- 1-10 speakers: 3 minutes11-15 speakers: 2 minutes
- 16+ speakers: 1 minute

Speaking time cannot be delegated to another person.

The time for each agenda item is approximate.

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As a courtesy to others, please turn off your cell phone upon entering the meeting.

Attendees

Voting Members

Bryan Johnson, President Vladimir Ivanovic, Vice-President Vaishali Sirkay, Clerk Jessica Speiser, Board Member Steve Taglio, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Sandra McGonagle, Superintendent Carrie Bosco, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction Erik Walukiewicz, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

A. CALL TO ORDER (6:15 PM)

Board President Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:15 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 6:15 p.m.

- 1. Anticipated Litigation
- 2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint
- 3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation

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

The meeting reconvened at 7:02 p.m.

Board President Johnson announced a recording and/or broadcast of this meeting is being made at the direction of the Board which may capture images and sounds of those attending the meeting.

1. Roll Call

All Trustees were present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Johnson led the flag salute.

3. Agenda Approval

Motion: Approve the agenda.

Motion made by: Vladimir Ivanovic Motion seconded by: Vaishali Sirkay

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

4. Closed Session Report

Board President Johnson reported the Board unanimously approved Settlement Agreement #24/25-A.

5. Superintendent's Update

Superintendent McGonagle shared the following report:

- September is Constitution Month to celebrate civic engagement. Santa Clara County Superior Court arranges for judges to visit 5th grade classrooms to speak about civic engagement and the role of the judiciary branch. Many of our 5th grade teachers are utilizing this program.
- The 231 Grant Avenue teacher housing project is scheduled to be completed in May 2025. Staff outreach will begin in November and updates will be shared at upcoming meetings.
- Gardner Bullis and Santa Rita are at Walden West this week.
- LASD is sponsoring a booth at this week's Farmer's Market as an opportunity to talk with community members and answer their questions.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

Trustee Ivanovic asked to pull items E.5 and E.6 for further discussion.

Motion: Approve the Consent Calendar, except items E.5 and E.6.

Motion made by: Vladimir Ivanovic Motion seconded by: Jessica Speiser

Voting:

Unanimously approved

Trustee Ivanovic noted a paragraph references the scope of work in each contract without the scope of work listed. Assistant Superintendent Walukiewicz shared that those references are a typo and the scope of work is in Appendix A of each contract. The work each contractor will perform was also shared.

Motion: Approve E.5 and E.6 subject to correction and assurance that the scope of work is properly documented.

Motion made by: Vladimir Ivanovic Motion seconded by: Vaishali Sirkay

Voting:

Unanimously approved

- 1. Minutes of the September 9, 2024 Regular Meeting
- 2. Purchase Orders
- 3. Santa Clara County Treasury Investment Portfolio Status
- 4. Junior High Sports Program Agreement with the City of Los Altos
- 5. Oak Alarm Agreement for Alarm Services at Springer School

- 6. JAHN Plumbing Agreement for Construction Services at Springer School
- 7. Infinity Communications & Consulting Agreement for E-Rate Services
- 8. Disposal of Surplus Technology Equipment
- 9. Disposal of Surplus Property
- 10. Board Policy Updates
 - a. AR/E 1113, District and School Websites
 - b. BP 1260. Educational Foundation
 - c. BP 2121, Superintendent's Contract
 - d. AR 4161.1/4361.1, Personal Illness/Injury Leave
 - e. BP/E 5145.6, Parent/Guardian Notifications
 - f. BP/AR 7214, General Obligation Bonds

11. Personnel Action

Certificated

- 1. Employment
 - 1.1 Kathryn Mahallati, 1.000 Elementary Teacher Effective: September 16, 2024 Salary: Range II, Step O

Classified

- 1. Employment
 - 1.1 Lupe Araujo, Human Resources Specialist IIEffective: September 26, 2024Salary: Range D, Step 6
 - 1.2 Ghodrat Bakhshi, Noon Duty Effective: October 1, 2024 Salary: \$22.47 per hour
 - 1.3 Lana Fan, Noon Duty Effective: September 16, 2024 Salary: \$22.47 per hour
- 2. Resignation
 - 2.1 Hiral Shah, Instructional Assistant, Small Group Support Effective: August 30, 2024
 - 2.2 Louis Stokes, Instructional Assistant, SpEd Effective: September 18, 2024
 - 2.3 Claribel Luna, Licensed Vocational Nurse Effective: September 12, 2024

F. EMPLOYEE REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

1. Los Altos Teachers Association

Alexandra Schroeder, LATA President, shared the following report;

- Shared an interaction with her son where she saw how the 'why' is so important in teaching. As part of the LASD Wheel and in her capacity as a traveling teacher, she sees the power of teaching the 'why' in classrooms.
- LATA is working hard to support Measure GG and Trustee Speiser.

2. California School Employees Association

There was no report from the California School Employees Association.

G. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

There were no requests for public comment.

H. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Professional Development Update

Assistant Superintendent Bosco provided an update on the focus of this year's professional development.

2. Public Hearing: Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

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

The public hearing opened at 7:22 p.m. There were no requests for public comment and the public hearing was immediately closed.

3. Resolution #24/25-06, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

Motion: Approve Resolution #24/25-06.

Motion made by: Vladimir Ivanovic Motion seconded by: Vaishali Sirkay

Voting:

Bryan Johnson - Yes Vladimir Ivanovic - Yes Vaishali Sirkay - Yes Jessica Speiser - Yes Steve Taglio - Yes

4. Prop. 39 Charter School Facilities Update

Superintendent McGonagle presented the Proposition 39 requirements for providing facilities for the charter school.

5. Resolution #24/25-07, Support of Proposition 2, Public Education Facilities Bond Measure

A resolution was presented for approval in support of Proposition 2, Public Education Facilities Bond Measure.

Motion: Approve Resolution #24/25-07.

Motion made by: Vladimir Ivanovic Motion seconded by: Vaishali Sirkay

Voting:

Bryan Johnson - Yes Vladimir Ivanovic - Yes Vaishali Sirkay - Yes Jessica Speiser - Yes Steve Taglio - Yes

6. Board Policy Update for Review and Approval

Superintendent McGonagle presented a board policy update for review and approval.

Motion: Approve BP 6158.

Motion made by: Vladimir Ivanovic Motion seconded by: Vaishali Sirkay

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

a. BP 6158, Independent Study

7. Board Policy Updates

Superintendent McGonagle presented updates to board policies and administrative regulations for review. Approval of these updates will take place at the next regular meeting.

- a. BP 0410, Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities
- b. BP/AR 1312.3, Uniform Complaint Procedures
- c. BP/AR 4030, Nondiscrimination in Employment
- d. BP 4033, Lactation Accommodation
- e. BP/AR 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11, Sex Discrimination and Sex-Based Harassment
- f. BP/AR 5145.3, Nondiscrimination/Harassment
- g. BP/AR 5145.7, Sex Discrimination and Sex-Based Harassment

I. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Trustee Speiser:

Toured allCove Palo Alto.

• Attended the Asian American and Pacific Islander mental health panel organized by Palo Alto High School's student body president.

Superintendent McGonagle:

• Will be out of the office on September 27.

Board President Johnson:

 Attended the LAEF board meeting last week and Stella Kam presented CACF's ABC's of School Finance.

J. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

K. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

Board Policy Updates

Vaishal. Jr

Board Clerk

Date