

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ALTA LOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO–WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2020

OPEN SESSION, CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting was called to order by Board President Rebecca Davies at 6:02 PM. Present were members Buller, Davies, Oerly, Payzant, and Roberts. Absent none.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board member Roberts, lead the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Davies read aloud the Public Comment Announcement.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Mrs. Oerly, seconded by Mr. Roberts, and carried unanimously to adopt the agenda of the meeting, as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Buller, seconded by Mr. Roberts, and carried unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of October 7, 2020, as presented.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Payzant, and carried unanimously to approve the special meeting minutes of October 10, 2020, as presented.

Moved by Mrs. Oerly, seconded by Mr. Roberts, and carried unanimously to approve the special meeting minutes of October 15, 2020, as presented.

RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Week of the School Administrator – The Board of Trustees recognized the amazing contributions of Alta Loma School District Administrator.

Alta Loma Elementary – Dolly Bentley, Principal
Josh Jauss, Teaching Assistant Principal

Banyan – Cara Cerecerez, Principal
Charron Rodriguez, Teaching Assistant Principal

Carnelian – Chris Deegan, Principal
Joylynn Peralta, Teaching Assistant Principal

Deer Canyon – Donna Carlson, Principal
Jenny Rice, Teaching Assistant Principal

Hermosa – Val Bires, Principal
Kristin Bowyer, Teaching Assistant Principal

Jasper – Becca Acosta, Principal
Curtis Quanstrom, Assistant Principal

Stork – Phil Suttner, Principal
Laura Sosa, Assistant Principal

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Victoria Groves – Kristy Johnson, Principal
Jim Perry, Assistant Principal

Alta Loma Junior High – Michele Rachielles, Principal
Andrew Carter, Assistant Principal
Greg Edmon, Dean of Students

Vineyard Junior High – Sandy Rose, Principal
Maureen Vass, Assistant Principal
Matt Dzama, Dean of Students

District Support Center – Joan Sanders, Assistant Superintendent
Steve Thomas, Associate Superintendent
Lori Thompson, Associate Superintendent
James Moore, Superintendent

Research shows great schools are led by great principals, and great districts are led by great superintendents. All school leaders are commended for the contributions they make to successful student achievement.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee – Annual Report for 2018-19 Fiscal Year Expenditures and Committee Activities presented for the Board's information. Review and Acceptance of the Annual Performance and Financial Audit report for the 2018-19 school year for the General Obligation Bond Building fund was presented to the Board January 15, 2020. Due to COVID-19, there was not a CBOC meeting held until September 24, 2020 to present the Annual Performance and Financial Audit report to the members of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Prior to the Public Comments Superintendent James Moore let the public in attendance know that the latest information regarding returning students to school was sent home in an email and posted on the District website the previous night. There is not a date set for returning students to school, the information includes the current waiver status, special education information, next steps, health and safety information, student meals, transportation, child care, safety plan with detailed information, and lots of other information around the planning that has been going on behind the scenes. Superintendent Moore encourages parents to read the email or go to the District website and review the information.

Steve Claflin, parent of an Alta Loma student voiced his dislike for the two options that were in the email he received the previous evening. Believes many parents do not want the hybrid option.

Diane Meza, parent of two Alta Loma students, invited members of the Board to come to her home and see Distance Learning from the eyes of a child and decide if the cost of this format is worth the risk of the virus. Distance Learning is especially hard for kids with disadvantage

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environments. Start pushing for what's right for kids. If you wear a mask and eye protection the risk is almost zero.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

BOARD REPORT

Board member Brad Buller . . . thanked our administrators for caring so much about our community and kids and all that they do; Mr. Buller continues to do Distance Learning in his home with his grandchildren, he sees the issues that come with it, but is grateful for the in house experience as well as the community involvement in conversation regarding education; Thursday, October 15th attended along with our administrators, more discussion on how reopening is going to happen; grateful to be here in Alta Loma in our School District.

Board member Caryn Payzant. . . appreciated the parents that spoke at tonight's Board Meeting, this is the only way our message is going to get out on how horrible this is for our students and our families; we need to keep speaking up and out; on the 15th happy to join fellow Board Members in meeting with principals about brainstorming ways to open up schools; the 20th attended a Brown Act Workshop virtually, from Sacramento; it's good to be validated that we follow the law here in Alta Loma.

Board member Dave Roberts . . . continues from the safety of his home to monitor all things relating to education and especially to the Coronavirus; Mr. Roberts reads everything he can get his hands on; Mr. Roberts gave his personal thanks to all the educational leaders in the District, he has some personal sense on how hard they work and how tough the job is, not only at the site level, but also at the District level; thank you for all that you do to make this a place where a child can receive a world class education.

Board member Sandie Oerly . . . along with fellow Board Member C. Payzant, had the opportunity to sit in on the Brown Act workshop; sat in on a luncheon meeting today hosted by ACSA, had two outstanding speakers on communication; Mrs. Oerly attended and enjoyed the gathering on the 15th with the principals, emphasizes what we have continued to try and present to the public that our staff is constantly looking for any options that might be as good as we can legally provide; highlighted the TOSA tips that our TOSAs are sending out each week to help give guidance to our teachers; Mrs. Oerly and her granddaughters' enjoyed Vince's Spaghetti for dinner in support of Deer Canyon and last night supported Hermosa at their dine-out at Dickey's BBQ.

Board member Rebecca Davies . . . thanked the speakers tonight for taking the time to share their thoughts and experiences; Mrs. Davies appreciates hearing from parents, teachers, students and administrators; along with fellow Board Members, continues to read a lot, keeps up to date on current educational issues and the challenges that we are currently facing; the Board has been visiting school sites to see teachers teaching via Distance Learning and seeing students in our Child Care program; Mrs. Davies is optimistic about the ALSD schools reopening; the staff is working very hard to prepare for a return; Mrs. Davies was privileged to be part of the discussion with all ten principals on trying to figure out ways to make this work; the Alta Loma School District staff cares deeply about doing this return to school well, safe for students, safe for staff and in the best learning model possible; Board Member Davies is proud that seven of our schools will be open on November 3 for in-person voting and ballot drop locations; Alta Loma

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Elementary, Deer Canyon Elementary, Stork Elementary, Hermosa Elementary, Jasper Elementary, Alta Loma Junior High, and Vineyard Junior High.

SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF

Superintendent James Moore shared his appreciation for the dedication and sacrifice of Alta Loma School District leaders. Mr. Moore expressed his heartfelt condolences to Chris Deegan and the staff at Carnelian Elementary School; over the weekend tragically the life of a first grader was lost. Please let the family know how much they are in our thoughts and how much we care about them. We remain optimistic that our waiver will be approved soon.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Payzant, and carried unanimously to adopt the following Consent Calendar items:

Vendor Agreements

Approved agreements with the following vendors, and authorized James Moore, Steve Thomas, and/or applicable administrators to sign all related documents: 1) Document Tracking Services, LLC; 2) Elite Modular Leasing and Sales, Inc.; 3) School Services of California.

Donations

Accepted with appreciation the following donations:

1. Donation of \$392.81 from Carnelian PTA to Carnelian Elementary School's Student Fundraiser Account to be used to enhance the instructional program.

Board Payment Report

Approved the Board Payment Report, as presented.

Routine Personnel Items

Approved employment, terminations, resignations, leaves and temporary assignments, as presented.

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL

Unaudited Actuals

Moved by Mrs. Oerly, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried unanimously to approve the Revised Report of Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements for 2019-20 School Year as presented.

Article 13B Appropriation Limit

Moved by Mr. Buller, seconded by Mrs. Oerly, and carried unanimously to readopt the District's 2019-20 Article 13B Appropriation Limit in the amount of \$37,879,592.18 and adopt the 2020-21 Appropriation Limit in the amount of \$39,292,500.97. See Resolution No. 10-21-20.

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HUMAN RESOURCES

Board Policy Related to Personnel

A first reading was held, to amend Board Policies Related to Personnel:
BP 4116 Probationary/Permanent Status.

Request for Retirement

Moved by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Oerly, and carried unanimously to accept
The request for retirement from Rudy Wells, Custodian-Night Lead, Alta Loma Junior
High, effective October 14, 2020, for a total of 15 years of service to the District.

BOARD INFORMATION /DISCUSSION

Bond Progress

Construction at Carnelian will begin in November; contracts were approved at the last Board
Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees is tentatively scheduled on Monday, October 26,
2020, time and location TBA, for the purpose of discussing matters expressly authorized by
Government Code Section 54954(c)(2).

- a. Fact and information gathering and meeting with members of the public related
to the Superintendent search.

Members of the Board of Trustees and Executive Cabinet may attend the Riverside County
School Board Members Association and San Bernardino County School Boards Association,
2020 Virtual Fall Joint Meeting on Monday, October 26, 2020. No action will be taken by the
Board.

The date of the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is Wednesday, November 4, 2020,
6:00 PM at the Alta Loma Junior High School, 9000 Lemon Ave.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:41PM for the purpose of discussing matters expressly
authorized by Government Code Section 3549.1, 54956.9, 54956.9(d), 54957, and 54957.6

OPEN SESSION / ADJOURNMENT

The Board reconvened to Open Session and adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM in honor and
recognition of the Munoz family's loss.