

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ALTA LOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO–WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021

OPEN SESSION, CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting was called to order by Board President Caryn Payzant at 6:00 PM. Present were members Buller, Davies, Oerly, and Payzant. Member Martinez attended via Teleconference. Absent none.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ALEA President, Peggy Swistock led the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Payzant read aloud the Public Comment Announcement.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried by the following vote to approve the meeting minutes of April 7, 2021, with the following corrections to member Martinez's Board report.

It was a pleasure to learn more about Mayor Pro Tem Lynne Kennedy and how passionate she is about education, transparency and our beautiful city of Rancho Cucamonga.

AYES: 3 (Buller, Davies, Payzant)
NOES: 1 (Martinez)
ABSTAIN: 1 (Oerly)

RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Measure H Bond Projects

Jim Di Camillo and Lisa Cox from WLC Architects and Lilliana Sheridan and Dennis Roney from GO Architects provided a comprehensive update of the progress of Bond projects thus far, projected timelines and implementation schedule. This was followed by Q & A.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vineyard Junior High student, Scarlet Vandergrift shared with the Board her experiences from this year.

Victoria Groves Parent, Steve Claflin expressed his thoughts to the Board on the reopening of schools.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

BOARD REPORTS

Board member Brad Buller ... continues to do a lot of reading and watching on reopening, not only within our District, but from the State of California and our neighboring districts;

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commended all the thinking and back thought on trying to do the right thing; continues to take his grandchildren to and from school and enjoys the conversations he has with them during the rides; appreciates the opportunity to be on the Board and appreciates the pressure to do his best and what's best for our community.

Board member Rebecca Davies ... continues to read the daily updates from CSBA, EdSource and other publications that come in on reopening and all the challenges in education; thanked fellow Board Members and Superintendent Hendricks for signing the letter of support for the Rancho Cucamonga Library Second Story and Beyond Project.

Board member Jessica Martinez ... thanked members of the public for making public comment – female student and Steve Clafin; attended various webinars including Broadband for California; connecting to our promise, hosted by CSBA; various leaders from California were in attendance; this webinar brought to the forefront that children without internet or reliable internet do not have a seat at the table; participated in ACSA's Legislative Action Day; April 15, participated in the District's Special Board Meeting; ACSA's President participated in our previous Board Meeting via video conference, the capability is there; continues to ask for the public to be accommodated in order to participate in Board Meetings, by public comment or being able to watch the meeting; appreciative of the Friday Board Reports; concerned with the litigation against students with disabilities; believes the information being provided is wrong; it's a big decision to sue children and it's a decision for the Board to make; Member Martinez is requesting this item as a future agenda item.

Board member Sandie Oerly ...had the opportunity today to sit in on the ACSA lunch session, regarding their Legislative Action Days; ACSA emphasized they are pushing for the Governor to provide clear decisions now on Distance Learning and Transportation, not wait until June 15.

Board member Caryn Payzant ...April 9, had the pleasure of visiting Vineyard Junior High and Deer Canyon to see the students on campus for in-person learning; thankful that we have come to the point that we can offer in-person learning to our students; April 15, attended the Business Connection Network Lunch provided by the Chamber of Commerce titled "Community Safety Updates" with Fire Chief, Ivan Rojer and Police Lieutenant, Michael Smith; great information was shared and Member Payzant learned about an app "Pulse Point" and encouraged everyone with a CPR certification to take a look at the app and extend our reach of influence and help everyone in our community in an emergency.

SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF REPORTS

Associate Superintendent L. Thompson shared a brief preview of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with the Board which will be coming forward for a Public Hearing at the June 2 Board meeting. June 2, the annual update for the 19-20 plan, the Learning Continuity Plan update and the new 2021-24 LCAP will be presented to the Board as well as the Local Indicators.

District goals will be categorized into one of three areas: Broad Goals, Maintenance Goals, and Focus Goals. A couple examples of the goals that will be addressed are Goal #5 - which is a Focus Goal written in the area of mental health and Goal # 2 - will address student achievement. This was followed by Q & A.

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Superintendent Hendricks shared that there were no reportable incidents for the District's quarterly submission for Williams Reporting for the period of January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021.

Ms. Hendricks thanked our community members for their public comments tonight. As of next Tuesday, there will be approximately 3,700 students on campus Tuesday through Friday, reminder to the community to pay extra attention to the students walking to campus and please slow down so everyone arrives safely. Junior High students will attend all 6 periods every day, not just periods 1-4. Grades PK-2 will continue with the AM/PM Model. Superintendent Hendricks expressed her appreciation to all staff involved in getting our students back to in-person learning, grateful for the work that is being done to permit this.

Associate Superintendent Thompson provided an update on the Alta Loma Virtual Academy (ALVA). The original poll for the virtual academy indicated that 960 students would commit to a one-year virtual option for the 21-22 school year. When registration opened the District ended up with 375 students that made the commitment to the virtual academy. The District has double checked with families to confirm their commitment for the 21-22 school year. At this time, we have 197 students that have committed. Associate Thompson's concern is that the number of students wanting to commit to the virtual academy will continue to decline and if the academy does not come to fruition as planned it would be a disservice to move 6 ALSD teachers into a program that may not happen. The District is researching some online platforms to see what possibilities are available to flex the virtual academy to more of an independent style program.

Associate Superintendent Thompson announced that tomorrow the District will be sending out the link to parents for the new LCAP survey.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Vendor Agreements

Approved agreements with the following vendors, and authorized Karen Hendricks, Steve Thomas and/or applicable administrators to sign all related documents:

- 1) Art Specialties; 2) Tools4ever.

Donations

Accepted with appreciation the following donations:

- a. Donation of \$300.00 from Edison International/Blackbaud Giving Fund to Alta Loma Junior High School's Student Fundraiser Account to be used to enhance the instructional program.
- b. Donation of \$990.00 from The Blackbaud Giving Fund by its agent, Your Cause Edison International and its donors to Victoria Groves Elementary School's Student Fundraiser Account to be used to enhance the instructional program.
- c. Donation of \$363.54 from Kroger-Ralph's Club Reward Program to Victoria Groves Elementary School's Student Fundraiser Account to be used to enhance the instructional program.
- d. Donation of \$60.71 from Handel's Ice Creamery to Victoria Grove's Elementary School's Student Fundraiser Account to be used to enhance the instructional program.
- e. Donation of \$1,000.00 from Teamsters Local 1932 to Victoria Grove's Elementary School's Student Fundraiser Account to be used to enhance the instructional program.

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- f. Donation of \$270.00 from Your Cause, LLC Trustee for Wells Fargo, Foundation Educational Matching Gifts Program to Victoria Groves 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.

Update signers

Approved the request to update signers on the Vineyard Junior High School checking account. This action would add Kristen Verdugo, School Secretary, to sign all related documents for Vineyard Junior High School.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Associate Superintendent Thompson shared the rationale on not giving the CAASPP assessment this year and using the District assessments in STAR Renaissance for the 2020-2021 school year.

District Assessments - STAR Renaissance

Moved by Mr. Buller, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried with the following vote to approve the use of the local District Assessments in STAR Renaissance for the 2020-2021 school year and not administer the CAASPP.

AYES: 4 (Buller, Davies, Oerly, Payzant)
NOES: 1 (Martinez)
ABSTAIN: 0

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL

Resolution No. 04-21-21

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Mr. Buller, and carried with the following vote to approve Resolution No. 04-21-21, naming a District Representative for School Facilities Program and Division of State Architect, and authorize Superintendent Karen Hendricks and/or Associate Superintendent Steve Thomas to sign all related documents.

AYES: 4 (Buller, Davies, Oerly, Payzant)
NOES: 1 (Martinez)
ABSTAIN: 0

HUMAN RESOURCES

Contract Amendment

Moved by Mr. Buller, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried with the following vote to approve amendment of the Contract for Employment of the Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, to allow for participation in an IRS Qualified Retirement annuity at time of her retirement.

AYES: 4 (Buller, Davies, Oerly, Payzant)
NOES: 1 (Martinez)
ABSTAIN: 0

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Principal Appointment – Jasper Elementary School

Moved by Mr. Buller, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried with the following vote to appoint Curtis Quanstrom to the position of Principal, Jasper Elementary School effective July 1, 2021.

AYES: 4 (Buller, Davies, Oerly, Payzant)
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 1 (Martinez)

BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Budget Update

The District will receive some one-time funding this year and into the next couple of years, dealing with the COVID pandemic. It appears the ongoing budget for the District will be healthy when the Governor releases his May revise. Executive Cabinet would like to have a Budget Study Session with the Board around May 12.

Bond Update

In the next few months there will be discussion with the Board on the next potential projects in the District.

The Board brought up possibly changing the location of the next Board meeting and planning the staff appreciation day. Board President Payzant announced that the Board Governance Study Session will be Wednesday, June 23.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The date of the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 5:00 PM, at Alta Loma Junior High, 9000 Lemon Ave.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:52 PM 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 no announcements were made. The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:43 PM.