

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ALTA LOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO–WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

OPEN SESSION, CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting was called to order by Board President Brad Buller at 6:00 PM. Present were members Buller, Chung, Davies, Hurley, and Martinez. Absent none.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Banyan's Student Ambassador Jamisaan Sanford led the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Buller read aloud the Public Comment Announcement.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Ms. Martinez, and carried unanimously to adopt the agenda of the meeting as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of August 2, 2023, as presented.

RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Student Presentations – Banyan Elementary School

- Jamisaan Sanford
- Raymond Kim

The newly appointed Program Specialist, Amber Rueckner was introduced and congratulated by the Board and Executive Cabinet.

The newly appointed Facilities Supervisor, Erin McKindley was as introduced and congratulated by the Board and Executive Cabinet.

The newly appointed Child Nutrition Coordinator, Brianna Thomas was introduced and congratulated by the Board and Executive Cabinet.

Donna Carlson, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources gave a brief presentation on the District's Residents Substitute Teacher Program.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Letter of approval of the 2023-24 Adopted Budget of the Alta Loma School District from San Bernardino County Business Advisory Services presented for the Board's information.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Member of the public Kurtis Downs shared two articles with the Board titled "England Bans Most Puberty Blockers, Says Little Evidence to Show It is Safe for Kids" and "England's NHs will not give puberty blockers to transgender children." Mr. Downs gave his thoughts and opinions on Transgender Dysmorphia.

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PUBLIC HEARING

1. Mr. Buller opened the Public Hearing at 6:47PM on Resolution #09-06-23(a), Adoption of Adequate Instructional Materials. No comments were presented, item was closed at 6:48 PM.

BOARD REPORTS

Board member Malinda Hurley ... August 15, visited Victoria Groves and Banyan Elementary School's Back to School Nights; was impressed by the phenomenal classrooms and teacher presentations, it felt like it was an Open House, there was so much student work on display; August 17, attended Alta Loma Junior High School and Vineyard Junior High School's Back to School Night, thanked both Principal Carter and Principal Vetere along with Assistant Principal Dzama and Assistant Principal Brehm; besides seeing all the wonderful student work and professionalism from admin, teachers, and staff, Dr. Hurley couldn't help but notice the teacher's presentation when they spoke about their involvement in after school clubs and programs; it shows how dedicated our teachers are to our students; August 22, had the pleasure of attending Back to School Night at Alta Loma Elementary, Principal Jauss and Assistant Principal Collins welcomed them and guided them throughout the campus; it was a pleasure to see parents and students excited about the free books that were offered, as well as the opportunity to purchase books at Alta Loma Elementary's PTA Scholastic Book Fair; later in the evening, Dr. Hurley visited Hermosa Elementary where she was greeted by Principal Bowyer and Assistant Principal Perry; Hermosa was also impressive; August 23, attended the Superintendent's Community Cabinet where many of our parents showed up to ask questions to understand their choices about keeping their child on an elementary campus or junior high campus for their sixth grade year as we make room for our incoming TK students, it was a good healthy informative discussion; August 24, attended Deer Canyon Elementary where Principal Rice and Assistant Principal Perry gave Superintendent Smith, Vice President Davies, and Trustee Chung an informative walking tour of our new TK and Kindergarten facilities; August 25, enjoyed Principal Peralta who graciously gave Dr Hurley a tour of Victoria Groves PTA's Annual Family Picnic; it warmed Dr. Hurley's heart to see such a successful event come together because of the hard work and dedication of our VG PTA, School Admin, teachers, staff, and students working as one.

Board member Eric Chung ... had the opportunity to attend the Back to School Nights at Stork Elementary, Alta Loma Junior High and Hermosa Elementary, this was the first time Member Chung got to attend Back to School Nights in his role as a Board Member, not a parent; impressed with all the teacher's presentations and all the family members that showed up to support the children; attended the Superintendent's Community Cabinet with fellow Board Member Hurley, it was important that the District was able to inform the community that a bond survey would be going out and starting the discussion on the 6th grade transition to the middle school model; lots of good questions and it gave Superintendent Smith and her staff a lot of information and direction for what came next, the parent information nights; 78 parents showed up to ask questions and get information, Superintendent Smith was able to provide parents with good information and what to expect if their child made the move to the middle school model; attended Stork's Donuts with Dads, there were so many father figures there present with their kids enjoying donuts, sharing community and talking about the first couple weeks of school; attended Stork's first assembly, the administrative team of Principal Bires and Assistant Principal Travis do a wonderful job getting the kids energized for the school year; looking forward to starting site visits with Dr. Smith next week.

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Board member Jessica Martinez ... August 17, had the opportunity to attend Alta Loma Junior High School's Back to School Night with fellow Board Members Dr. Hurley, Chung and Buller, thanked Principal Carter and his team for walking them through the campus and introducing them to new staff; Member Martinez always enjoys seeing the two preserved lemon trees that are on campus; Tuesday, attended Alta Loma Elementary School's Back to School Night, loved the great use of donating the books and giving back to the community; attended the Parent Leaders Group Meeting with Trustee Davies, thanked Dr. Smith for her transparency and the emphasis she put on parent choice for the 6th grade transition.

Board member Rebecca Davies ... August 15, attended Banyan Elementary School's Back to School Night, there was great attendance by parents and the classrooms were packed; Trustee Hurley and Assistant Superintendent Carlson were also in attendance; August 17, attended Vineyard Junior High's Back to School Night; again, great attendance by parents; August 24, attended Deer Canyon's Back to School night with Trustee Hurley and Superintendent Smith, again great attendance by parents; August 24, attended the dine-out fundraiser for Vineyard Junior High at The Habit Burger Grill; attended the Superintendent's Parent Leaders Group meeting on August 30; it was the first meeting of this new school year and the room was full of leaders, with Trustee Martinez, Eric Hart and Donna Carlson in attendance; Superintendent Smith shared the 6th grade transition presentation followed by a chance for the leaders to ask questions; Superintendent Smith also touched on the potential for a bond measure being placed on the ballot to replace the 1999 bond which will be paid off soon.

Board member Brad Buller ... thanked his fellow Board Members for getting out to the sites and giving their time; attended Alta Loma Junior High School's Back to School Night, and did what is required of Board Members every two years and took a class training on sexual harassment and ethics; attended the Superintendent's Community Cabinet and emphasized that because of his fellow Board Member's willingness to be out in the community and hear it really does make a difference.

SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF REPORTS

Superintendent Smith is looking forward to CSBA, it's always a wonderful time and she shared with the public that Alta Loma is being recognized in the State of California for our partnerships with our community in the way we authentically obtain feedback for making the decisions that we make. Site visits have begun for Superintendent Smith, but she looks forward to Trustee Chung joining her in walking the sites and seeing how our District continues to grow.

Superintendent Smith commended the community and the ALSD staff for sticking to the decision that it is parent choice when it comes to the 6th grade transition. Superintendent Smith thanked ALEA for their partnership and trust in the District's decision and in return the District gives ALEA our trust and transparency as the District works through this process. The District has identified the pods on the two campuses, what lunches will look like, and sixth-grade teachers have been surveyed on their willingness to move to the middle school, the District has committed to placing the sixth-grade teachers where they want to be to the best of the District's ability. The District will be sending out to the community an interest inventory surveys to see where the community is at, this will give the District knowledge and direction to start planning.

Assistant Superintendent Pierce shared that she has been able to attend the Back to School Nights, being new to the District it has allowed her to meet families, teachers and students. Dr. Pierce has enjoyed being part of the Superintendent's Community Cabinet, parent nights,

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collaborating with ALEA and meeting the GATE Coordinators and listening to their visions for their sites. The first LCAP Community Meeting will be September 27.

Associate Superintendent Hart gave a brief update on transportation. The District brought back general education transportation this year. The District started the year in the mid 600's for riders and now the District is at about 700 riders. It's good to see the busses rolling out again in the morning and the afternoons, the District continues to work through any hiccups that may appear. Associate Superintendent Hart shared that as of last Friday our enrollment was 5574 students, when compared to last year we had 5518 students, difference of 56 students. We are up 70 TK students from last year.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried unanimously to adopt the following Consent Calendar items and take M. 3 (Routine Personnel Items) as a separate vote.

Vendor Agreements

Approved agreements with the following vendors and authorized Sherry Smith and/or applicable administrators to sign all related documents: 1) Avalon Transportation, LLC; 2) Cal Poly Pomona Foundation; 3) California Newspaper Partnership dba Southern California News Group; 4) Department of General Services/Office of Fiscal Services; 5) DocuSign, Inc.; 6) Irvine Park Railroad; 7) KFI Engineers; 8) La Verne Heritage Foundation; 9) Lewis Family Playhouse; 10) Mary Vagle Nature Center; 11) Prismatic Magic, LLC; 12) Total Safety Solution, LLC; 13) Universal Studios; 14) Wheels Squared BMX Show, LLC.

Board Payment Report

Approved the Board Payment Report, as presented.

Donations

Accepted with appreciation the following donations:

1. Donation of \$1005.45 from Schools First Credit Union to Alta Loma School District to be used for books for the Leadership Team.
2. Donation of \$21,889.11 from Jasper PTA to Jasper Elementary School's Student Fundraiser Account to be used to enhance the instructional program.

Agreement - Chaffey Community College

Approved the agreement with Chaffey Community College for the assignment of fieldwork students and authorized Superintendent Sherry Smith and/or Assistant Superintendent Donna Carlson to sign all related documents.

Conference Attendance

Authorized Assistant Superintendent Donna Carlson to attend the Inland Personnel Council Conference in Lake Arrowhead, CA, October 19-20, 2023 and approve all related expenses.

Conference Attendance

Authorized Assistant Superintendent Dr. Christina Pierce to attend the CISC Leadership Symposium in Monterey, CA, February 21 – February 23, 2024 and approve all related expenses.

Amend Board Bylaw

A second reading was held to amend Board Bylaw 9322 – Agenda/Meeting Materials.

Amend Board Policies

A second reading was held to amend Board Policies related to Instruction, Personnel and Students.

BP 4112.2 – Certification

BP 4140/4240/4340 – Bargaining Units

BP 4151/4251/4351 – Employee Compensation

BP 5117 – Interdistrict Attendance

BP 6174 – Education for English Learners

Amend Job Descriptions

A second reading was held to amend Job Descriptions.

- Account Clerk, Senior to Child Nutrition Purchasing and Account Clerk, Senior
- Secretary, Senior

M. 3 Routine Personnel Items

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried with the following vote to approve employment, terminations, resignations, leaves and temporary assignments, as presented.

AYES: 3 (Buller, Davies, Hurley)

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: 2 (Chung, Martinez)

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Adequate Instructional Materials Resolution #09-06-23(a)

Moved by Mr. Chung, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried unanimously to adopt the Adequate Instructional Materials Resolution #09-06-23(a) certifying a public hearing was held and a determination made that there is sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials for students in the Alta Loma School District.

2023-2024 Consolidated Application and Reporting System

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried with the following vote to approve the 2023-2024 Consolidated Application and Reporting System as presented.

Title I, Part A

Title II, Part A (Teacher Quality)

Title III, Part A (LEP Students)

Title IV, Part A (Student Support)

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

Information Only

Unaudited Actual Report

Associate Superintendent, Eric Hart shared the 2022-23 unaudited actuals financial report, the multi-year budget update and an enrollment update with the Board.

Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements

Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried with the following vote to accept the Report of Unaudited Actuals Financial statements for the 2022-23 year as

presented.

Article 13B Appropriation Limit

Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried unanimously to readopt the District's 2022-23 Article 13B Appropriation Limit in the amount of \$39,873,100.98 and adopt the 2023-24 Appropriation Limit in the amount of \$41,556,015.39. See Resolution No. 09-06-23(b).

Fortinet Fortigate

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried unanimously to purchase Fortinet FortiGate Unified Threat Protection Solution from BorderLAN, Inc. and authorize Superintendent Sherry Smith and/or Associate Superintendent Eric Hart to sign all related documents.

BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Amend Board Policies

A first reading was held to amend Board Policies related to Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans, Students and Instruction.

BP 0420.21 – Charter School Oversight

BP 5141.5 – Mental Health

BP 5141.6 – School Health Service

BP 5145.6 – Parent/Guardian Notifications

BP 6159.2 – Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education

Amend Job Descriptions

A first reading was held to amend Job Descriptions

- Coordinator of Counseling Services
- Licensed Vocational Nurse

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The date of the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the Alta Loma School District Support Center, 9390 Base Line Road.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 7:33 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 made the following announcement.

Moved by Mrs. Daviess, seconded by Dr. Hurley, and carried with the following vote to appoint Lynn McKendall, to the position of Transportation Supervisor, District Support Center,

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| AYES: | 5 (Buller, Chung, Davies, Hurley, Martinez) |
| NOES: | 0 |
| ABSENT: | 0 |
| ABSTAIN: | 0 |

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 PM