

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ALTA LOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO–WEDNESDAY, October 18, 2023**

**OPEN SESSION, CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The closed session portion of the meeting was called to order by Board President Brad Buller at 5:01 PM. Present were members Buller, Davies, Hurley and Martinez. Member Chung arrived at 5:50 PM. Absent none.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mr. Buller read aloud the Public Comment Announcement.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM**

None.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Ms. Martinez seconded by Mrs. Davies, and carried with the following vote to adopt the agenda of the meeting as presented.

AYES:	4 (Buller, Davies, Hurley, Martinez)
NOES:	0
ABSENT:	1 (Chung)
ABSTAIN:	0

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:02 PM for the purpose of discussing matters expressly authorized by Government Code Section §54957, and §54957.6.

**REGULAR OPEN SESSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Board convened to regular open session at 6:01 PM and no announcements were made regarding closed session items. The Board will go back into closed session after the regular session portion of the meeting.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Victoria Groves Student Ambassador, Lucas Phillips led the flag salute.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mr. Buller read aloud the Public Comment Announcement.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley and carried unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of September 20, 2023, as presented.

**RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Student Presentation – Victoria Groves Elementary School

- Alyssa Kouyoumdjian
- Lucas Phillips
- Musical Performance by Victoria Groves Kindergarten Classes

Associate Superintendent, Eric Hart gave an update the Board on our crossing guards.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bill Adargo, wanted to come and represent all the ALSD custodians. He shared he had done some research and that our custodians are a little underpaid, he is not asking for a big pay raise, but when you look that In-N-Out is paying \$20 an hour, Del Taco, is paying \$19 an hour, and most of these places are going to start paying more money. Mr. Adargo believes that the lead custodians deserve a little more than what they are getting right now, this job is not a minimum wage job, it's physical and hard work. Mr. Adargo asked the Board to take into consideration paying junior high custodians more, they have more students, gymnasiums and the work is harder at the junior high schools.

Kurtis Downs, member of the community shared with each Board member a school resource guide titled "Navigating the Transgender Landscape". Mr. Downs read a few excerpts from the guide.

**BOARD REPORTS**

Board Member Malinda Hurley ...began her report by offering her condolences to the family of Bridgette Bowman, thanked Superintendent Smith for putting out the call to the Crisis Team for students that may need social-emotional support during this time; September 29, attended the Latino Education and Advocacy Days (LEAD) Summit at Cal State San Bernardino, was honored to have the opportunity to meet Dolores Huerta and Emilio Rivera; October 16, attended Ontario Montclair's Aspiring Leaders Program; attended La County School of Trustees Association (LACSTA), event at Edgewood Middle School on school branding, it was a great event; yesterday, attended the California Teachers Association, service center one's general council meeting; looking forward to attending the Fall Joint Meeting on Monday, October 30 of the San Bernardino County and Riverside County School Boards Association.

Board Member Eric Chung ...September 29, had the opportunity to attend the Stork Hoedown; October 13, had a phone conference with Dr. Pierce, Principals Vetere and Carter regarding the Speech and Debate Club that is getting started at both the junior high schools; the first meeting at Alta Loma Junior High was yesterday, with 22 students signing up and more to come; the Debate Club will end with a competition at the Rancho Cucamonga Superior Court; this morning attended A Gathering with Friends Breakfast, thanked President Buller for the invite; thanked Superintendent Smith and her team for always keeping the Board in the loop and doing a wonderful communicating.

Board Member Jessica Martinez ...attended the LCAP meeting via Zoom, Member Martinez was quite impressed with Dr. Pierce; topics discussed during the meeting were base funding, percentage of unduplicated students and looking at a growth vs. proficiency model for 4<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade students; the new dashboard will be released in December; looking forward to the next meeting in November; attended via Zoom, the San Bernardino County's training titled "Duties of Board and Community Members, Roles and Responsibilities", very informative on the Board's roles and highlighting some things from experienced Board members; October 4, joined Alta Loma Elementary for National Walk to School Day; October 10, via zoom participated in Pacific Justice Institutes Meeting titled "California's Bill Passed"; October 12, joined Dr. Smith and Dr. Pierce at their visit to Alta Loma Elementary; October 17, joined the site visit at Victoria Groves with Trustee Davies, Dr. Smith and Mr. Hart, gave kudos to Principal Peralta.

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Board Member Rebecca Davies ...October 17, had a walk-through visit at Victoria Groves Elementary with Trustee Martinez, Dr. Smith and Mr. Hart; Principal Peralta is doing an amazing job leading her site and supporting student achievement; reiterated some information that was shared in the SANDABS meeting, at the Federal legislative level, there are two proposals which SANDABS is advocating on our behalf for; these bills deal with funding for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; these two bills would provide regular, mandatory increases to bring the federal government's portion to full funding no later than 2033; appreciates the time and effort that went into the Special meeting October 4<sup>th</sup>; the purpose of the meeting was two-fold; first, to share the results of the Bond Survey and second, to share information regarding the District's Long-Range Facilities Masterplan and has been accomplished with the Measure H Bond funds; supported Hermosa's by attending their fundraiser at Chipotle last night; looking forward to representing the Board at the Fall Joint Meeting of the San Bernardino County and Riverside County School Boards Association meeting on October 30, Member Davies is the designee to vote in the election of members to the San Bernardino County Committee on School Organization, Member Davies encourages her fellow Board members to attend.

Board Member Brad Buller ... had the privilege of joining Member Martinez and Dr. Smith on National Walk to School Day walking to Alta Loma Elementary School.

**SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF REPORTS**

Superintendent Smith shared that there were no reportable incidents for the District's quarterly submission for Williams Reporting for the period of July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023.

Saturday is the District's Family GATE Day at Vineyard Junior High School, looking forward to this Saturday. Dr. Smith addressed Mr. Adargo's comments this evening regarding the 6<sup>th</sup> grade move. Dr. Smith shared that there is a plan in Phase 3 or after to look at the classified positions that could be impacted with more students on campus. Next week the District is launching into Phase 2 Parent Information Nights, October 24 will be the Open House at Vineyard Junior High School for the east side schools.

Associate Superintendent Eric Hart shared a brief update that the District engaged with Davis Demographics to do some enrollment projections and as part of the study to look at the possibility of updating boundaries to give more parity across our school sites. The information was valuable and looking at the information for the boundary realignment, the District saw that there might have been a couple of things that could have been done, but overall there was nothing that would have shifted things to try and equalize class size and give that parity. At this time, the District doesn't feel it needs to go any further investigating boundary realignments.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Ms. Martinez, and carried unanimously to adopt the following Consent Calendar items:

**Vendor Agreements**

Approved agreements with the following vendors, and authorized Sherry Smith, Eric Hart, and/or applicable administrators to sign all related documents:

- 1) Anaheim Convention Center; 2) California Association City of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance (CASCWA); 3) California School Nutrition Association; 4) CUE,

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Inc.; 5) iFly Indoor Skydiving; 6) Jazz Band Tune Up Festival; 7) La Verne Heritage Foundation; 8) Lewis Family Playhouse; 9) Mission San Juan Capistrano;; 10) Motion Picturing Licensing Corporation (MPLC); 11) Riverside City College (RCC) Jazz Festival; 12) San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools; 13) Sawdust Factory; 14) SELPA Administrators of California.

Board Payment Report

Approved the Board Payment Report, as presented.

Routine Personnel Items

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

Donations

Accepted with appreciation the following donations:

1. Donation of \$2,000 from Schools First Credit Union to Alta Loma School District to be used for the District's 2023-2024 Convocation.

Conference Attendance

Authorized Assistant Superintendent Dr. Christina Pierce to attend the CASCWA State Conference, April 24, 2024 – April 26, 2024, in Monterey, California.

Board Policies

A second reading was held to adopt Board Policy related to Business and Nondiscrimination Operations.

BP 3514 – Environmental Safety

Board Policies

A second reading was held to amend Board Policies related to Business and Noninstructional Operations, as presented.

BP 3515.2 – Disruptions

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

Annual Organizational Meeting

Moved by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Dr. Hurley and carried unanimously to designate December 13, 2023 as the annual organizational meeting for the Board of Trustees.

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

CG Acoustics, Inc.

Moved by Dr. Hurley, seconded by Mrs. Davies and carried unanimously to authorize payment for added scope to CG Acoustics, Inc. in the amount of \$17,728.79 for the Hermosa Elementary Modernization Project, under the threat of litigation, due to bid deficiency, and authorize Superintendent Sherry Smith and/or Associate Superintendent Eric Hart to sign all related documents.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Consulting Contract – Administrative Coaching

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley and carried unanimously to approve the Consulting Contract with Michele Rachielles for Administrative Coaching at the rate of \$31.25 per 15-minute increment, not-to-exceed \$6,000, effective October 19, 2023 through May 22, 2024, as presented.

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Consulting Contract – Reading Specialist

Moved by Mrs. Davies, seconded by Dr. Hurley and carried unanimously to approve the Consulting Contract with Michele Rachielles for Reading Specialist Support for Learning Labs at the rate of \$75 per hour, not-to-exceed \$5,000, effective October 19, 2023 through May 22, 2024, as presented.

BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Board Policies – First Reading

BP 1330 – Use of School Facilities

BP 3515 – Campus Security

BP 3515.3 – District Campus Security

BP 5145.12 – Search and Seizure

Job Description– First Reading

Administrative Secretary

FUTUTRE AGENDA ITEMS

Member Davies asked if at the next meeting under information/discussion for an agenda item to be placed to discuss naming of a facility to recognize former Board Member Sandie Oerly for her years of services.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The date of the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 6:00 PM at Alta Loma School District Support Center, 9390 Base Line Road.

CLOSED SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned to closed session at 7:06 PM in Honor of Bridgette Bowman, 4<sup>th</sup> grade student at Hermosa Elementary School.

The Board reconvened to open session, no announcements were made, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27PM.