



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 13.1p

Meeting Date: June 20, 2024

Subject: Approve Minutes for the May 2, 2024 Regular Board of Education Meeting

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Superintendent's Office

Recommendation: Approve Minutes for the May 2, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Background/Rationale: None

Financial Considerations: None

LCAP Goal(s): Family and Community Empowerment

Documents Attached:

1. Minutes of the May 2, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting

Estimated Time of Presentation: N/A
Submitted by: Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent
Approved by: Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent



BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

Board of Education Members

Lavinia Grace Phillips, President (Trustee Area 7)
Jasjit Singh, Vice President (Trustee Area 2)
Chinua Rhodes, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 5)
Tara Jeane (Trustee Area 1)
Christina Pritchett (Trustee Area 3)
Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)
Taylor Kayatta (Trustee Area 6)
Liliana Miller Segura, Student Member

Thursday, May 2, 2024

5:00 p.m. Closed Session

6:30 p.m. Open Session

Serna Center

Community Conference Rooms
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824

MINUTES

2023/24-25

Allotted Time

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:59 p.m.

Members Present:

*Member Jeane
Member Kayatta
Member Phillips
Member Pritchett
Member Rhodes
Member Singh
Member Villa*

Members Absent:

Student Board Member Segura

2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

No public comment

3.0 CLOSED SESSION

While the Brown Act creates broad public access rights to the meetings of the Board of Education, it also recognizes the legitimate need to conduct some of its meetings outside of the public eye. Closed session meetings are specifically defined and limited in scope. They primarily involve personnel issues, pending litigation, labor negotiations, and real property matters.

3.1 Government Code 54956.9 - Conference with Legal Counsel:

- a) Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9 (Two Potential Cases)**

- 3.2 *Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA SEIU, TCS, Teamsters, UPE, Non-Represented/Confidential Management (Cancy McArn)*
- 3.3 *Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint*
- 3.4 *Government Code 54957- Public Employee Appointment
a) Approve – Principal, Rosemont High School*
- 3.5 *Education Code 35146- The Board will hear staff recommendation on the following student expulsions from 23-24: Expulsion #5 and #6 2023-2024 (David Van Natten)*

4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called back to order at 6:37 p.m.

- 4.1 *The Pledge of Allegiance*
- 4.2 *Broadcast Statement*
- 4.3 *Stellar Student introduced by Board Member Chinua Rhodes*

5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

There was one announcement that came out of closed session.

- *By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board approved the appointment of Mitchell Jones, Principal of Rosemont High School*

6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

President Phillips shared that the Board is amending the agenda to remove item 10.1 and 12.1n expulsion #6. Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Jeane. The Board adopted the amended agenda unanimously.

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

15 minutes

Members of the public may address the Board on non-agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Public comment may be (1) emailed to publiccomment@scusd.edu; (2) submitted in writing through the district’s website at <https://www.scusd.edu/submit-public-comment>; or (3) provided in-person at the meeting. The submission deadline for written public comments shall be no later than noon on the day of the meeting. If you intend to address the Board in-person, please fill out a yellow card available at the entrance. Speakers may be called in the order that requests are received, or grouped by subject area. We ask that comments are limited to two (2) minutes with no more than 15 minutes per single topic so that as many people as possible may be heard. By law, the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, refer a matter to district staff or calendar the issue for future discussion.

*Jenna Westbrook-Kline
Candace Woods
Jason Daniel*

8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 Employee Organization Reports:

- *SCTA- Nikki Milevsky shared that today under the direction of St. Hope Public Schools, the enrollment of Sac High Charter has fallen from over 1,800 students to under 350 students. St. Hope parents, students, and educators came to the Board to ensure that the administrators at St. Hope are held accountable to the terms and the condition of their charter and state law. Earlier today, parents and educators sent letters to Amanda Goldman and the Board, and hope that the district takes these concerns seriously, and considers the possibility of an independent investigation to get a full picture of what is happening at St. Hope Public Schools. Students, parents, and educators took turns voicing their concerns.*
- *SEIU- No update*
- *TCS- No update*
- *Teamsters- No update*
- *UPE- No update*

8.2 District Advisory Committees:

- *Student Advisory Council- The Student Advisory Council is currently working on their initiatives regarding gender hygiene and gender neutral restrooms, which will be presented at the next Board meeting alongside another student made resolution on environmental sustainability. Weekly meetings are held on Wednesdays and the Student Advisory Council would love to see more Board members attend, if they are able to.*
- *Community Advisory Committee- No update*
- *District English Learner Advisory Committee- No update*
- *Local Control Accountability Plan/Parent Advisory Committee- No update*
- *Black/African American Advisory Board- No update*
- *Community Schools Advisory Committee- No update*
- *American Indian Education Program Parent Committee- No update*

9.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- 9.1 *Approve Resolution No. 3409: Recognition of School Principals' Day May 1, 2024 (Yvonne Wright and Cancy McArn)*

Yvonne Wright presented Resolution No. 3409. This is an action item.

*Public Comment:
No public comment*

*Board Comment:
No Board comment*

Member Pritchett made a motion with a second by Member Villa. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.

9.2 Approve Resolution 3406: Recognition of National School Nurse Day (Jacqueline Garner)

Jacqueline Garner presented Resolution No. 3406. This is an action item.

*Public Comment:
No public comment*

*Board Comment:
No Board comment*

Member Pritchett made a motion with a second by Member Rhodes. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.

9.3 Approve Resolution 3404: Recognition of Foster Care Awareness Month, May 2024 (Aliya Holmes)

Aliya Holmes presented Resolution No. 3404. This is an action item.

*Public Comment:
No public comment*

*Board Comment:
Member Phillips shared that as a social worker, these folks are at the top of her list and she appreciates all the work that they do.*

Member Pritchett made a motion with a second by Member Villa. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.

9.4 Approve Resolution 3405: Recognition of May is Mental Health Awareness Month (Student Board Member Liliana Miller Segura)

Student Board Member Segura and a Student Advisory Council member presented Resolution 3405. This is an action item.

Public Comment:

No public comment

Board Comment:

Member Phillips is extremely proud of students bringing the resolution forward. Staff have worked diligently with these young people. Member Phillips attended an SAC meeting last week and shared that these students know what they are doing. The leadership and voices that we need to hear are from our young people.

Member Pritchett made a motion with a second by Member Rhodes. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.

9.5 *Safe Schools Update (Raymond Lozada and Melecia Navarro)*

Melecia Navarro and Raymond Lozada presented the Safe Schools Update. Ms. Navarro shared data-driven strategy for effective responsiveness, asset-based community development through collaboration, and service examples. Mr. Lozada shared history around Re-Imagine School Safety, objectives, restorative justice, and restorative process. This is an information item.

Public Comment:

No public comment

Board Comment:

Member Pritchett asked questions regarding occurrences, and wanted to know if staff have adequately looked at pre-Covid and where we are at now? Member Pritchett wanted to know if things have gotten better or worse. At some point, Member Pritchett would love to hear success stories from students. Member Pritchett wanted to know what our responsibilities are in regard to safety when our kids leave our school sites. Member Kayatta thanked staff for all their work. Member Kayatta really appreciates staff and our community partners for working on this. Member Kayatta's priority is to continue investing in this area, and asked staff to share their needs, so the Board can assist. Member Jeane shared that when you are an educator on a campus every day, you get a sense of culture and the mood, and she loves that staff are there building those relationships. When Member Jeane was first elected and began learning about SCUSD, this program is the first thing that stood out to her. Member Jeane thanked staff for their groundbreaking work and asked them to keep doing what they are doing.

Member Villa shared that in our district, it's so easy to talk about problems and she loves that staff are coming to the Board with real solutions.

Member Singh highlighted the relationship building between staff and students. Member Singh shared that he agrees with Member Jeane and how this is groundbreaking. Member Singh wanted to bring up the issue of bathrooms being closed, because students are vaping and smoking, and how by closing bathrooms, it's hurting a lot of kids that probably have to use the bathroom. Member Singh is thinking about using more community partners that are focused on addressing vaping and why it's bad. Member Singh wanted to hear what staff thought about bathrooms being closed.

Member Rhodes shared that the work is really meaningful and that staff have a real impact from what they are doing. Member Rhodes shared that staff are tackling things on a granule level that no one else is seeing, but everyone is feeling.

Member Phillips shared that we could be headed towards a Golden Bell. Member Phillips shared that this is a wonderful way of defunding the police, because it's not our job to fund law enforcement to police our children in school. Member Phillips appreciates the presentation and looks forward to hearing more.

- 9.6 *Approve Resolution No. 3402 Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Its General Obligation Bonds, 2020 Election, 2024 Series B in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$262,500,000, Authorizing the Distribution of an Official Statement for the Bonds, and other Documents and Action Related Thereto (Janea Marking)*

Janea Marking shared that staff does not have a formal presentation for this item since the Board is regularly updated on Measure H projects both planned and in progress. Additionally, there is an active Citizen Bond Oversight Committee and a robust communications campaign that is highlighting voters, and it is thanks to them that these projects are possible. Ms. Marking thanked the community and our voters for their strong support. Measure H for \$750M was approved by voters in 2020. The first issuance of \$225M was authorized in 2022. Cash flow indicates that we are ready for the next issuance, and the resolution tonight is for \$262.5M, which is half of the remaining \$525M. This issuance allows us to keep projects moving on the timelines promised. Ms. Marking introduced Meredith Johnson, who will walk the Board through the documents for this item tonight. This is an action item.

Public Comment:

No public comment

Board Comment:

Member Kayatta thanked staff for their work on this.

Member Kayatta pointed out that on the title page, he was placed in Area 2 and asked for a correction to be made, so he listed in Area 6.

Member Pritchett made a motion with a second by Member Villa. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.

- 9.7 *Approve Resolution No. 3400 Ordering a School Bond Election on November 5, 2024, Requesting Consolidation with other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024 and Authorizing Necessary Actions in Connection therewith (Janea Marking)*

Janea Marking and Meredith Johnson presented Resolution No. 3400. This is an action item.

Public Comment:

Jenna Westbrook-Kline

Laura Kaur

Brett Barley

Beau Reynolds

Shannon Schmidt

Board Comment:

No Board Comment

Member Rhodes made a motion with a second by Member Villa. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.

10.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

- 10.1 *Adopt Resolution No. 3403: Resolution Regarding Proposed Decision of Administrative Law Judge and Implementing Classified Layoffs (Cancy McArn)*

This item was removed from the agenda.

- 10.2 *Charter Oversight and Renewal Overview (Amanda Goldman)*

Amanda Goldman presented on innovation and accountability, annual oversight, and renewal laws and preparation. This is an information item.

Public Comment:

Laura Kaur

Board Comment:

Member Kayatta requested a copy of the letter that Laura Kaur referenced. Member Kayatta shared that he thinks that charters can be good for the reasons that Ms. Goldman indicated, where you can give them flexibility and they do new things and innovate education. Member Kayatta shared that dependent charters have shown him that they serve communities that might not be served by some of our traditional schools. Member Kayatta commented that he appreciates that they are a part of our ecosystem. At the same time, charter schools are taking our kids out of our district, and taking them out of our supervision, and they are taking the money as well. Member Kayatta wants to make sure that as a governing Board, we are going above and beyond the minimum to have a strong relationship with the independent and dependent charters that they have authorized. Member Kayatta shared that the kind of charter schools that are doing the good work of education and fulfilling the original purpose of the charter law in California will welcome that involvement.

Member Villa shared that visiting the independent and dependent charters have been a wonderful experience for her. Member Villa shared that charter schools exist, because not everything needs to be in the same box and students learn differently, and she thinks that these sites set themselves up to support their students in that way. In the progress reports, Member Villa would like to see student outcomes with what is working or not working, what services are offered at the school that may not be offered at another school. Member Villa wants to know more about student services that are available and overall success rates of the students.

Member Jeane wants to make sure that she's doing this responsibility appropriately, and if we do have questions or concerns, what would be the appropriate way or clear process to follow up?

11.0 COMMUNICATIONS

- 11.1 *Student Member Report (Liliana Miller Segura)- Member Segura shared that SAC will be presenting their first resolution to the Board at the next Board meeting. Member Segura shared that SAC is working alongside staff to ensure that everything is said in the way it is meant to be said, and that there are no holes in their resolution. SAC meetings have expanded to every Wednesday and every other Tuesday, and the Board is invited into their space.*
- 11.2 *Superintendent's Report (Lisa Allen)- No report*
- 11.3 *President's Report (Lavinia Phillips)- No report*

- 11.4 *Information Sharing by Board Members- Member Jeane attended the Community Schools Forum and the Health Professionals High School Open House last week, and shared that both events were really wonderful.*
Member Rhodes shared that the Pancake Breakfast is postponed due to the rainy weather.
Member Singh gave a shout out to our U.S. news rankings, and one of the schools being Umoja International Academy, which was ranked in the top 5 high schools in the Sacramento region. West Campus was the number 1 high school in the Sacramento region, and number 17 in the state. The last Community Fair will be at Umoja on June 1st. The East Sac garden tour will be on Mother's Day weekend. Tahoe Elementary is having a pancake breakfast on May 11th to support the PTA.
Member Villa shared that this Sunday, May 5th from 10am-3pm, Colonial Heights will be having their garden tour.

12.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Action
2 minutes

Generally routine items are approved by one motion without discussion. The Superintendent or a Board member may request an item be pulled from the consent agenda and voted upon separately.

12.1 Items Subject or Not Subject to Closed Session:

12.1a Approve Grants, Entitlements and Other Income Agreements, Ratification of Other Agreements, Approval of Bid Awards, Approval of Declared Surplus Materials and Equipment, Change Notices and Notices of Completion (Janea Marking)

12.1b Approve Personnel Transactions (Cancy McArn)

12.1c Approve Release of Measure H Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Members Due to Lack of Attendance (Chris Ralston)

12.1d Approve Miwok Middle field trip to Boston, MA May 24-29, 2024 (Lisa Allen)

12.1e Approve CK McClatchy School Debate Tournament in Chicago, IL from May 24-26, 2024 (Lisa Allen)

12.1f Approve minutes for the March 7, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting (Lisa Allen)

12.1g Approve minutes for the March 21, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting (Lisa Allen)

12.1h Approve Resolution No. 3407: Resolution Regarding Board Stipends (Lisa Allen)

12.1i Approve Resolution No. 3408: Resolution Regarding Board Stipends (Lisa Allen)

12.1j Approve Resolution No. 3410: Adopting Specifications of the Election Order and for Consolidation with Statewide Presidential General Election of November 5, 2024 (Anne Collins)

12.1k Approve Board of Education Calendar for the 2024-25 School Year (Lisa Allen)

12.1l Approve Resolution No. 3401 Authorizing Participation in the Planning and Capacity Building Planning Grant Program (Chris Ralston)

12.1m Approval of Unauthorized Vendor Payments (Janea Marking)

12.1n Approve Staff Recommendation for Expulsions #5 and #6 2023-2024 (David Van Natten)

Public Comment:

No public comment

Board Comment:

Member Phillips shared that prior to taking action on the consent agenda, she wanted to point out that there were two changes on the Board calendar. The item listed is 12.1k. The first was to change the second October 2024 meeting to account for the Council for Great City Schools conference taking place on October 16th-20th. The second was a change to our June 2025 meeting to account for the Juneteenth holiday.

Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Villa. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.

13.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

- ✓ *May 16, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*
- ✓ *June 6, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Lisa Allen, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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