

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, DECEMBER 8, 2015

Adopted Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Singh-Allen at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Center.

Members Present: Bobbie Singh-Allen, President; Carmine Forcina, Clerk; Beth Albiani, Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Chet Madison, and Crystal Martinez-Alire

Others Present: Christopher Hoffman, Superintendent; Mark Cerutti, Donna Cherry, Rich Fagan, Tina Penna, Robert Pierce, and David Reilly, Associate Superintendents. The list of visitors who signed in is on file.

Closed Session: Ms. Singh-Allen announced that the Board would meet in closed session to address the items on the agenda and called for public comment on these items.

I. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint

II. Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency designated representatives: Christopher Hoffman, David Reilly, Richard Fagan, Karen Rezendes

Employee Organizations: All Elk Grove Unified School District Bargaining Units and Unrepresented Employees

III. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment/Employment, Elementary and Secondary School Principals and Vice Principals

C. OPEN SESSION: Ms. Singh-Allen called the regular session to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session and unanimously approved, by affirmative votes of all members present, the appointment of the following administrator:

Tina Murphy-Mayfield, Vice Principal, Valley High School

I. Pledge of Allegiance - Ms. Becky Mero, volunteer and longtime supporter of Rio Cazadero High School led the pledge of allegiance and was recognized by the Board of Education. Ms. Mero began her involvement with the Elk Grove Unified School district in 1981. She is a familiar and friendly presence in the neighborhood, welcoming new residents and continuing to think of the students as “her kids.” The Board of Education is pleased to recognize Ms. Mero’s many contributions to Rio Cazadero High School, the community, and the Elk Grove Unified School District.

II. Annual Organizational Meeting

1. Election of Officers and Establishment of Date, Time, and Place of Meetings

• Office of the President

Motion No. 50, 2015-16 – Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Madison that Ms. Singh-Allen be re-elected to the office of President of the Board of Education.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Ms. Albiani, Mr. Forcina, Ms. Chaires Espinoza, Mr. Madison, Ms. Martinez-Alire and Mr. Perez.

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- **Office of the Clerk**

Motion No. 51, 2015-16 – Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Perez that Mr. Carmine Forcina be reelected to the office of Clerk of the Board of Education.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Ms. Albiani, Ms. Chaires Espinoza, Mr. Madison, Ms. Martinez-Alire, Mr. Perez and Ms. Singh-Allen.

- **Office of the County Board Representative**

Motion No. 52, 2015-16 – Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Ms. Chaires Espinoza and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that that Ms. Beth Albiani be reelected to the Office of the County Board Representative.

- **Establishment of Date, Time and Place of Meetings**

Motion No. 53, 2015-16 - Motion by Ms. Chaires Espinoza, seconded by Mr. Madison and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the Board hold open sessions the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. and closed sessions at 5:00 p.m. when necessary with the place of the meetings being determined by the Secretary to the Board of Education.

1. **High School Student Representative Reports – Cosumnes Oaks, Laguna Creek, and Monterey Trail High Schools**

– Maria John and Brooke MacNeill of Cosumnes Oaks High School, Allison Depies and Noah Maidrand of Laguna Creek High School, and Mosimileoluwa Ojelade and Handson Tran of Monterey Trail High School reported on activities and academics at their schools.

2. **Athletic Recognitions** – The Board recognized the fall 2015 CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Champions, boys’ soccer team and coaching staff of Cosumnes Oaks High School who won the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Division 2 Championship. This is the second championship for the Cosumnes Oaks High School boys’ soccer team in the last 3 years. The Board also recognized the girls’ tennis team and coaching staff of Cosumnes Oaks High School who won the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Division 2 Championship.

Ms. Singh-Allen requested that Mr. Forcina conclude the meeting.

IV. Student Expulsions Recommendations

1. **Request for Student Expulsions** – Motion No.54, 2015-16 – Motion by Mr. Madison, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the Hearing Panel’s recommendations regarding student expulsions be approved.

V. Public Comment

Ms. Cecilia Jimenez requested a facilities update for turf being installed at Franklin High School and requested a football stadium, with track and lights be built at Franklin High School.

Ms. Chaires Espinoza requested that the following be put on record: that the Board doesn’t engage in comments for items not on the agenda.

VI. LCAP – None

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VII. Budget Update – None

VIII. Facilities Update – None

IX. Bargaining Units – None

X. Reports

- 1. 2014-15 Annual Audit** – The Board received the 2014-15 district-wide annual audit report. This audit is required to be submitted to the County Office of Education and State Controller’s Office by December 15 of the following year. The firm, Crowe Horwath LLP was engaged by the Board to conduct the 2014-15 audit. Ms. Jennifer Hall, Certified Public Accountant with Crowe Horwath presented and briefly reviewed the report and letter with the Board of Education.
- 2. Finance Committee Annual Report for 2015** – Ms. Ruthanne Rankin, Chair of the Finance Committee, presented and reviewed with the Board the Committee’s Annual Report for 2014. The activities and recommendation for 2015 included the areas of Budget Development and Control, Local Control Funding Formula/Local Control Accountability Plan (LCFF/LCAP), Research and Evaluation Department, Food and Nutrition Services, Secondary Education and Student Representatives.

The Board thanked Ms. Rankin and the Committee members for their contributions.

XI. Public Hearing/Action Items

- 1. Education Code Section 17556, et seq.: Consideration of Resolution to Grant Permanent Easements for Water Pipelines to the Sacramento County Water Agency, and a Pedestrian Easement to the City of Rancho Cordova for the “Anatolia II” Elementary School Site.**

Mr. Pierce informed the Board that this is a follow-up to the item on November 17th and that there has been an amendment to the resolution.

There were no responses to the call for a public hearing on Resolution No. 24 granting permanent easement to the Sacramento County Water Agency and the City of Rancho Cordova for the “Anatolia II” Elementary school site.

Motion No. 55, 2015-16 - Motion by Mr. Madison, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 24 granting a permanent easement to the Sacramento County Water Agency and the City of Rancho Cordova for the “Anatolia II” Elementary school site be adopted.

XII. Discussion Items

- 1. 2016-17 Middle School and Alternative Education Course Catalogs** – Ms. Tina Penna reviewed the 2016-17 Elk Grove Unified School District Middle School Course Catalog that provides information for courses offered at each of the district’s nine middle schools. This course catalog includes descriptions of all core academic courses for grades 7-8, and lists the course codes and the adopted texts for each course. The catalog also provides descriptions for a sampling of representative elective courses available for students’ enrollment. Full lists of elective courses offered at each school are available on the individual site’s course registration documents. Ms. Penna informed the Board that this item will be brought back for approval at its January 7, 2016 special board meeting.

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XIII. Discussion/Action Items – None

XIV. Action Items

- 1. Observation of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday** – Motion No. 56, 2015-16, Resolution No. 27, 2015-16 – Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Perez, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 27, 2015-16 affirming January 19, 2016, as a celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday be adopted.
- 2. 2015-16 1st Interim Report & Budget Update – Motion No. 57, 2015-16** - Mr. Rich Fagan provided the Board with a report and update on the financial status of the District as of the 1st Interim reporting period for 2015-16, which ended October 31, 2015 and reported on the current status of the 2015-16 Budget.

Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Ms. Chaires Espinoza, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the 2015-16 1st Interim Report and Budget Update be approved.

- 3. Tri-Valley Learning Corporation Charter Petition – Motion No. 58, 2015-16** - Ms. Kathy Hamilton asked the board to receive the Tri-Valley Learning Corporation charter school petition to open Golden State Charter School within the Elk Grove Unified School District boundaries in the 2016-17 school year. The receipt of the petition will start a 60 day evaluation of the proposed charter leading to a request of the governing board to deny or approve the petition which will be presented at the February 2, 2016 regular board meeting. A public hearing for this petition will be held at the January 7, 2016 special board meeting.

Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the Tri-Valley Learning Corporation's charter school petition be received.

- XV. Board Member and Superintendent Reports** – Board members and the Superintendent reported on organization and committee meetings and information relative to the District and its operation. Superintendent Hoffman thanked the Board for taking the time to attend the CSBA conference.

- XVI. Consent Agenda - Action** – Motion No. 59, 2015-16 – Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that items 1 through 20 be approved.

- 1. Approval of Minutes** – Approved the minutes of the regular Board meeting that was held on November 17, 2015.
- 2. Resolution Regarding Board Member Absence** – Approved Resolution No. 28, 2015-16 authorizing payment of the monthly compensation to Mr. Anthony Perez for a meeting missed on November 17, 2015, due to hardship.
- 3. Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.

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4. **Warrant Register No. 4 All Funds: October 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015 -**
Approved Warrant Register No. 4 – Warrant Numbers 986503-988234, 322877-324057.
5. **Approval of Purchase Order History -** Approved purchase orders for the weeks of October 27, 2015 through November 9, 2015, with a financial summary of \$1,776,648.11.
6. **Disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property –** Authorized the disposal of obsolete/surplus property that has been deemed uneconomical to repair. No income is anticipated to be received by the district for these items. However any income that is received will go into the General Fund.
7. **Ratification of Contracts -** Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.
8. **Ratification of Non Public School/Non Public Agency (NPS/NPA) Contracts –** Ratified NPA/NPS contracts which have been signed by authorized district staff, in accordance with Board Policy 3312 – Contracts.
9. **Acceptance of Gifts –** Approved donations to the District’s schools/programs as submitted.
10. **Investment Policy –** Received the Sacramento County Treasurer’s Report as of September 30, 2015, EGUSD has \$97,730,594 from all District Funds, in addition to Mello-Roos Investment proceeds of \$22,633,092 in the County Treasurer’s pool. The District’s portion is 4.73% of the total pooled assets of \$2,544,019,912.
11. **Proposed Changes to Finance Committee Bylaws –** Approved the recommended changes from the Finance Committee to the Finance Committee Bylaws. The proposed changes will align current Finance Committee practices with the written Bylaws.
12. **Approval to Award Bid #574-15/16 USDA Produce Pilot Program - Food & Nutrition Services -** Authorized the award of Bid #574-15/16 for USDA Produce Pilot Program - Food & Nutrition Services for one (1) year contract or \$100,000 threshold for USDA Produce to Ag Link, Inc. Funding has been budgeted through the Food & Nutrition Services USDA Commodities fund.
13. **Approval to Award RFP #553-13/14 Workers’ Compensation Third Party Claims Administration Services -** Authorized the award of RFP #553-13/14 for Workers’ Compensation Third Party Claims Administration Services for a three year contract for workers’ compensation claims administration services to Tristar, not to exceed \$610,000. Funding source will be from Self Insurance Fund.
14. **Approval to Prepare and Submit a Request for Proposal; Replacement of the Current Student Information System -** Approved Resolution No. 29, 2015-1016, authorizing the Elk Grove Unified School District to submit a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a replacement of the current Student Information System.
15. **Approval of 2015-16 First Interim Financial Report -** Approved the 2015-16 First Interim Financial report.

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- 16. Approval of Budget Transfers** – Approved the budget transfers for the period July 31, 2015 through October 31, 2015. Included are budget transfers for 2014-15 ending fund balance adjustments, 2015-16 additional funding priorities, and the 2015-16 1st interim report.
- 17. Approve Valley High School – Associated Student Body Scholarship Expenditure** – Approved the two scholarships for \$500 for the 2015-16 school year made payable to the students institution of higher learning made possible by Super Taco Mack Road.
- 18. 2014-15 Annual Audit** – Accepted the 2014-15 district-wide annual audit report.
- 19. Revision to Board Policy 5144 – Discipline** - Approved the proposed board policy revision of 5144 - Discipline, as aligned with the California School Boards Association (CSBA).
- 20. Revision to Board Policy 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion Due Process** - approve the proposed board policy revision of 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process, as aligned with the California School Boards Association (CSBA).

XVII. Other Action Items

- 1. Discussion and Action on Items Removed from the Consent Agenda - None**

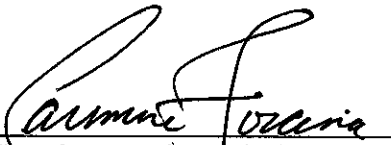
XVIII. Information Items

- 1. Other Items from the Floor** – Mr. Chaires Espinoza congratulated Ms. Albiani and Ms. Singh-Allen for their 1 year anniversary on the Board of Education.

XIX. Adjournment – 7:31 p.m.

Submitted by: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by:


Carmine Forcina, Clerk