MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, August 14, 2018

Adopted

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Chaires Espinoza at 5:01 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Center.

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

Others Present: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent; Robert Pierce, Deputy Superintendent; Donna Cherry and David Reilly, Associate Superintendents; Bindy Grewal and Craig Murray, Assistant Superintendents; Shannon Hayes, Chief Financial Officer

CLOSED SESSION – Ms. Chaires Espinoza announced that the Board would meet in closed session to address the items on the closed session portion of the agenda and called for public comment on these items. There were no public comments on the following closed session items:

I. Government Code Section 54956.9 Paragraph (4) Subdivision (d): Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation, Initiation of Litigation (Deciding Whether to Initiate Litigation): One Case

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

III. Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators
Agency designated representatives: Christopher R. Hoffman, David Reilly, Robert Pierce, Karen Rezendes
Employee Organizations: All Elk Grove Unified School District Bargaining Units and Unrepresented Employees

IV. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment/Employment: Elementary Principals, Director of Human Resources, Director of Secondary Education

OPEN SESSION – Ms. Chaires Espinoza called the regular meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session and the following action was taken:

Item IV - Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment/Employment: Elementary Principals, Director of Human Resources, and Director of Secondary Education
- Amy Besler, Director, Secondary Education
- Keri Van de Star, Director, Human Resources

Item I - Government Code Section 54956.9 Paragraph (4) Subdivision (d): Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation: In closed session, in a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no’s, Madison, Singh-Allen, Albiani, Martinez Alire with one abstention by Chaires-Espinoza, the Board voted to participate as amicus curiae and submit an amicus curiae brief in support of the California School Board Association’s position in, CSBA v. State of California, California Supreme Court Case S247266. Board members Madison, Singh-Allen, Albiani, Martinez-Alire voted to approve the submission and Chaires-Espinoza abstained. CSBA and four LEAs are challenging the State of California’s requirement that LEAs use existing funding sources to pay for programs and services previously identified as mandated costs, instead of reimbursing LEAs for such programs and services. Ayes – Albiani, Madison, Martinez-Alire and Singh-Allen; Nays – None; Abstained – Chaires Espinoza; Absent – Forcina, Perez.
I. Pledge of Allegiance – Craig Murray, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education led the pledge of allegiance.

II. Presentations/Recognition - None

III. Resolutions - None

IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations

1. Request for Student Expulsions - Motion No. 11, 2018-19, Motion by Ms. Albiani, 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. Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire and Singh-Allen; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina and Perez

V. Public Comment

Ms. Lorreen Pryor expressed her concern that school begins on Thursday and there are no policies in place that dictate the scope of the SRO’s authority and that there are no clear directives as to what the administrator’s responsibilities are and when it is appropriate to use SROs. She stated that she is still waiting for data with a racial breakdown about police contact with students on campuses this year at Cosumnes Oaks High School. Ms. Pryor requested that directive be given to SROs, since there is no policy in effect, that there be no contact unless there is criminal activity or until a policy is put into place. She also requested that administration be given clear directive on their responsibilities on how those differ from what the SROs are supposed to do while on campus and requested a meeting with the director of Safety and Security.

Ms. Lezlie Cannon shared that her son is afraid to start school and that she wants him to feel safe. She noticed that the officer in question’s name still appears on the school’s website and that it frightened her son. Ms. Cannon requested that the information be updated. Ms. Cannon also informed the Board that her son has to appear in court for a juvenile probation hearing for an incident she feels wasn’t fully investigated and requested information about filing a complaint against a parent and expressed confusion as to why she’s received different responses from law enforcement and the district.

Ms. Allegra Taylor stated that she would be going with the Cannon family to the probation office and was curious as to how it went from an investigation with no court date to probation. She expressed her concerns about the SROs that are in the office with the administrative staff at the school and concerns about them passing information. She feels that whatever happens on campus it appears as though EGUSD’s SRO’s look for ways to criminalize students especially if they are black. Ms. Taylor requested that the incident with Ms. Cannon’s son be investigated again.

VI. Consent Agenda - Action – Motion No. 12, 2018-19, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present, that items 1 through 25 be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, and Singh-Allen; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina, Perez

1. Approval of Minutes – Approved the minutes from the regular board meeting that was held on July 24, 2018.
2. Approval for the District Transportation Department to Purchase New Buses – Authorized the purchase of four new Blue Bird Wheelchair BBCV busses cooperatively through the Waterford Unified School District.

3. Pleasant Grove High School, Bio-Science Modular Building - Award of Contract – Approved the award of contract to Abide Builders, Inc. for the total bid of $560,340.00. Authorized Administration to sign all documents and contracts pertaining to this work, and authorized Administration to proceed with the next lowest responsible bidder should a fully endorsed contract with the low bidder, accompanied by certification of the necessary bonds, not be obtained.

4. Union House Elementary School, Modernization Phase 2.1 - Change Order No. 1 – Approved Change Order No. 1 with SW Allen Construction, Inc., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of $3,154,640.00 by ($16,938.00) to $3,137,702.00.

5. 2018 Roofing at Sheldon High School Gymnasium - Change Order No. 1 – Approved Change Order No. 1 with D7 Roofing Services, Inc., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of $212,149.00 by ($72,120.00) to $140,029.00.

6. 2018 Roofing at Foulks Ranch Elementary School - Change Order No. 1 – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Commercial Waterproofers, Inc., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of $657,401.00 by ($71,000.00) to $586,401.00.

7. Student Support Center, Site Accessibility Improvements - Change Order No. 1 – Approved Change Order No. 1 with TJR Resources, Inc., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of $247,780.00 by $7,012.39 to $254,792.39.

8. Union House Elementary School, Roof & HVAC - Change Order No. 1 – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Division 5-15, Inc., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of $1,605,515.00 by $16,360.00 to $1,621,875.00.

9. Samuel Jackman Middle School, Restroom Floor Repairs - Change Order No. 2 – Approved Change Order No. 2 with RBH Construction, Inc., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 2 changes the contract amount of $93,506.00 by $2,545.00 to $96,051.00.

10. 2018 Roofing at Sheldon High School Gymnasium - Acceptance and Notice of Completion – Accepted the construction of 2018 Roofing at Sheldon High School Gymnasium project, and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion. Administration will file the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder within the statutory ten-day period.

11. Samuel Jackman Middle School, Restroom Floor Repairs - Acceptance and Notice of Completion – Accepted the construction of Samuel Jackman Middle School, Restroom Floor Repairs project, and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
Administration will file the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder within the statutory ten-day period.

12. **2018 Roofing at Foulks Ranch Elementary School - Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of 2018 Roofing at Foulks Ranch Elementary School project, and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion. Administration will file the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder within the statutory ten-day period.

13. **ASES Contract for Irene B. West Elementary School** – Approved the Addendum to the Master Contract with Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center for after school services for an additional 40 students at Irene B. West Elementary School.

14. **Community Partnership Agreements with PRO Youth and Families (PRO) and Special Team of Role Models (STORM), Co-Applicants of 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) and After School Safety & Enrichment for Teens (ASSETs) Grant Awards** – Approved the Master Contracts with PRO Youth and Families (PRO) and Special Team of Role Models (STORM) for enrichment services to be provided in expanded learning programs at 14 elementary sites, 2 middle school sites, and 2 high school sites pursuant to the federal grants applications and awards through the 21st CCLC and ASSETs programs.

15. **ASES Contract for Mary Tsukamoto Elementary School and Roy Herburger Elementary School** – Approved the Addendum to the Master Contract with S.T.O.R.M. Programs, Inc. to provide after school services to additional students at Mary Tsukamoto Elementary School and Roy Herburger Elementary School.

16. **Personnel Actions** - Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.

17. **New Job Description for Program Specialist - English Learner Services** – Approved the new Program Specialist, English Learner Services job description.

18. **Revised Job Description - Program Assistant, Prevention and Intervention** – Approved the revised job description for Program Assistant, Prevention and Intervention.

19. **Warrant Register No. 1** – Approved Warrant Numbers 038655-039846, 364732-383948. All Funds: July 1, 2018, through July 31, 2018

20. **Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from July 10 – August 7, 2018.

21. **Acceptance of Gifts** - Approved donations to the District’s schools/programs as submitted.

22. **2018-19 Mandate Block Grant - Application for Funding** – Authorized participation in the 2018-19 Mandate Block Grant (MBG) program.

23. **Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements** – Approved contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.

24. **Investment Policy** – Received the Sacramento County Treasurer’s Report as of June 30, 2018, EGUSD had $271,086,671 from all District Funds, in addition to Mello-Roos
Investment proceeds of $14,260,810 in the County Treasurer’s pool. This is 7.08% of the total pooled assets of $4,029,757,939.

25. **Ratification of Contracts** - Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.

**VII. LCAP Update - None**

**VIII. Race and Educational Equity**

1. **Progress Report on Race and Educational Equity in EGUSD** – Ms. Xanthi Pinkerton reported on work that has been done that included Professional Learning Development, Curriculum and Instruction, School and Community Relationships, Student-Centered Supports, Opportunity & Access and an update on Recruitment, Hiring and Retention.

   The Board held a discussion and requested additional information and made suggestions to Ms. Pinkerton.

**Public Comment**

Ms. Lorreen Pryor commended Mr. Erik Swanson from Monterey Trail High School and Mr. Nicolas Crabtree from Cosumnes Oaks High School for doing a terrific job letting every student know that they matter. Ms. Pryor requested the following: that black students have an opportunity to attend college workshops at school sites across the district; that district students be provided with information about the services that her program offers; and requested information about the Diversity Council, i.e. who makes that group up, how are students selected to serve and who is in charge of the council.

Ms. Allegra Taylor requested that a black parent information night be held so that her group could be there to connect with families along with district and site staff. Ms. Taylor commended Ms. Maria Osborne, who she feels is making a tremendous difference on her campus and that she has enjoyed working with her. She also requested that BYLP and The Village be included in receiving future meeting information that was discussed in the presentation. Ms. Taylor also requested information about the student council; who are the students that are selected to participate.

Ms. Lezlie Cannon shared her concerns about her son not receiving information about the pathway program until it was too late to participate and asked that the District work on communicating information better.

Mr. Reginald Claytor shared that when he was at Laguna Creek High School he received guidance and support from his teachers who pushed him and encouraged him to go further; he went to college and received his bachelor’s degree and is currently working on his master’s degree. He asked if there is a district staff person who deals with racial issues or race relations that is a direct representative or liaison between the district and individual schools who can go and speak to students; someone that students can trust because a lot of children do not trust the system. He shared that his children who attend Maeloa Beitzel Elementary and that he receives an email, text message and phone call regarding any school information. Mr. Claytor stated that we have to do better and that he is willing to help in any way that he can.

**IX. Budget Update - None**
X. Facilities Update - None

XI. Bargaining Units - None

XII. Reports - None

XIII. Public Hearing/Action Items
1. Pupil Textbook and Instructional Materials – There were no responses to the call for public hearing. Board President Chaires Espinoza announced that this item would be brought back for approval at the regular meeting of the board of education on September 4, 2018.

XIV. Discussion Items

XV. Action Items
1. Calendar Conversion Recommendation for Elementary School Sites – This item was moved to future board meeting agenda.

2. Measure M: Membership Renewal to the Elk Grove Unified School District Measure “M” Citizens’ Oversight Committee - Motion No. 13, 2018-19, Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Madison and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present, that the renewal of three (3) members to the Measure “M” Citizens’ Oversight Committee for a two year term be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire and Singh-Allen; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina and Perez


4. Resolution to Eliminate Classified Positions - Motion No. 15, 2018-19, Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Madison and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present, that Resolution No. 7, authorizing the Governing Board to eliminate classified positions be adopted. Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire and Singh-Allen; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina and Perez

XVI. Board Member and Superintendent Reports - Board member and the Superintendent reported on organization and committee meetings and information relative to the District and its operation.

XVII. Information Items
1. Other Items from the Floor
Ms. Singh-Allen shared that Mr. Forcina is going through a very tough time; his sister is in failing health and is expected to pass soon and his wife is gravely ill. She stated that he reads all his email messages and that words of encouragement and support provide him strength and encouragement.
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Mr. Madison followed up from the workshop held on August 8, 2018 and expressed his concerns about the suspensions at the elementary level. Mr. Madison requested a report broken down by grade level and subgroups for each elementary school in the district.

Ms. Chaires Espinoza adjourned the meeting with thoughts and prayers for Mr. Forcina and his family.

XVIII. Adjournment – 7:20 p.m.

Submitted by: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: [Signature]
Beth Albiani, Clerk