

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, April 4, 2017**

Adopted

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Forcina at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Center.

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

Others Present: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent; Robert Pierce, Deputy Superintendent; Mark Cerutti, Tina Penna, David Reilly, Associate Superintendents and Shannon Hayes, Chief Financial Officer.

Closed Session: Mr. Forcina 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: Conference with Legal Counsel** – Anticipated Litigation, Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (Deciding Whether to Initiate Litigation): One case
- II. Government Code Section 54956.9: Subdivision (d) Paragraph (1): Conference with Legal Counsel** – Existing Litigation: Case Numbers 16617734, 12488124
- III. Government Code section 54956.8: Conference with Real Property Negotiators**
Property: APN 117-0140-014 to provide approximately +/- 1.02 acre parcel south of Cosumnes River Boulevard and west of Center Parkway
District negotiators: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent and Robert Pierce, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Facilities, Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD)
Negotiating parties: EGUSD and Corporation of the Presiding Bishop of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment
- IV. Government Code Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d) Paragraph (2): Conference with Legal Counsel** - Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation
- V. 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
- VI. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint**
- VII. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment/Employment, Secondary School Principals and Vice Principals**
- VIII. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation** –
Title: Superintendent

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OPEN SESSION – Mr. Forcina called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session and action was taken on the following items from the closed session portion of the agenda:

Item I - The Board has not directed legal counsel to initiate litigation at this time.

Item VI – The Board took action 7 to 0 to approve a separation agreement with a classified management employee. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None

Item VII – The Board took action 7 to 0 to approve the appointment of the following administrator: Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None

- Gabrielle “Brie” Bajar, Principal at Katherine Albiani Middle School

I. Pledge of Allegiance - Ms. Sandra Aboufares, Franklin High School’s education partner, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Aboufares was recognized for her outstanding support of the students and staff at Franklin High School.

II. Presentations/Recognitions

- 1. High School Student Representative Reports** – Students from Franklin and Sheldon High Schools reported on activities and academics at their schools.
- 2. Athletic Recognition** – The Board recognized the Cosumnes Oaks High School Boys’ Soccer Team for winning the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section, Division II Championship. This is their 3rd CIF Division II Sac-Joaquin Section, Division II Championship in 4 years. The team finished the season with an overall record of 21-4-3 while being ranked 18th in the state and 64th in the country.

III. Resolutions

- 1. Public Schools Month** – Motion No. 95, 2016-17 – Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Ms. Chaires Espinoza and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 67, which proclaims April 2017 as Public Schools Month in the Elk Grove Unified School District be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None
- 2. The Greater Elk Grove Area History Week Resolution** – Motion No. 96, 2016-17 - Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 70 which declares the last week in September, as the Greater Elk Grove Area History Week, be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None

Public Comment: Mr. David Lema, Chairman of the Linda Mae Mahon Lema (LMML) Foundation thanked the Board for considering this resolution and provided the Board with an overview of the work the foundation does. Mr. Lema invited the Board to attend their annual dinner which will be held on September 30, 2017, at the Willow Ballroom in Hood, California.

- 3. National School Library Week** – Motion No. 97, 2016-17 - Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Chaires Espinoza and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 62 proclaiming April 9-15, 2017, as National

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School Library Week be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None

Public Comment: Ms. Bethany Payne, of Dillard Elementary school, approached the Board and shared the importance of school libraries and how valued they are by parents, students and staff. Ms. Payne asked for the Board to stand behind school libraries with funding recognizing that libraries are the place where reading begins and where reading is nurtured.

IV. Student Expulsion Recommendations

- 1. Request for Student Expulsions** – Motion No. 98, 2016-17 - Motion by Mr. Madison, seconded by Mr. Perez 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, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes – None

V. Public Comment - None

- VI. Consent Agenda – Action** | Motion No. 99, 2016-17 - Motion by Ms. Chaires Espinoza, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that items 1 through 13 be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None

- 1. Approval of Minutes** – Approved the minutes from the regular board meeting held on March 21, 2017.
- 2. Approval of Board Policies** – Approved the following three Board Policies as aligned with California School Board Association; BP 5121 – Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement, BP 5145.12 – Search and Seizure and BP 6152 – Class Assignment.
- 3. Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 4. Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the District’s schools/programs as submitted.
- 5. Ratification of Contracts** – Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.
- 6. Establish School Checking Accounts – Robert J. McGarvey Elementary School and Zehnder Ranch Elementary School** – Authorized the establishment of a bank account for Robert J. McGarvey Elementary and Zehnder Ranch Elementary with Five Star Bank. The accounts will be named and persons authorized to sign are as follows:
Robert J. McGarvey Elementary Michael Gulden, Principal and Patte Grinnell, Secretary at Mechale Murphy, Principal and Kathy Lao, Secretary at Zehnder Ranch Elementary
- 7. Approval of Request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions** – Authorized approval to submit a request for Allowance of Attendance because of emergency conditions related to the severe weather and power outage at James Rutter Middle School on January 19, 2017, to the California Department of Education.

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- 8. **Approval of Purchase Order History** – Approved purchase orders from the weeks of February 24, 2017, through March 3, 2017, with a financial summary of \$818,460.87.
- 9. **Approval to Participate in the Nor-Cal Schools Joint Powers Association** – Authorized Resolution No. 61, 2016-17 authorizing the District to participate in the Nor-Cal Schools Joint Powers Association.
- 10. **Golden 1 Center Contract for 2017 High School Graduations** – Approved the contract with Golden 1 Center for the 2017 comprehensive high school graduation in the amount of \$70,000.
- 11. **2016-2021 Renewal of Agreement for Operation of Community School** – Approve the 2016-2021 renewal agreement for the operation of Community School.

12. **Out-of-State Field Trip** – Approved the following out-of-state field trip:

School	Field Trip Destination	Field Trip Purpose	Dates of Trips
Pleasant Grove High School	Houston, TX	FIRST Robotics World Championship	April 19 – 23, 2017

13. **Approval to Purchase School Computers and Configuration Services** – Authorized staff to purchase 4,608 Chromebooks and configuration services utilizing the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) contract #100614 awarded to CDW-G. The project will also include charging carts and lockers to store and secure these Chromebooks, headsets, and computer mice. Funding source will be budgeted through the instructional materials budget in the amount of \$1,511,195.00.

VII. LCAP Update - None

VIII. Budget Update - None

IX. Facilities Update - None

X. Bargaining Units - None

XI. Reports - None

XII. Public Hearing/Action Items

1. Consideration and Public Notice of CSEA's Initial Proposal to the District Regarding Collective Bargaining for the 2017-2018 School Year

There were no responses to the call for a public hearing on the proposal.

Motion No. 100, 2016-17 – Motion by Ms. Chaires Espinoza, seconded by Mr. Madison and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that CSEA’s initial proposal to the District regarding Collective Bargaining for the 2017-18 school year be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None

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XIII. Discussion Items

1. College Readiness Block Grant – Ms. Kathy Hamilton provided the Board with information about Elk Grove Unified School District’s plan for State College Readiness Block Grant.

The College Readiness Block Grant (CRBG), which was established by Senate Bill 828 in June 2016 and codified in the Education Code, allocates \$200 million to local educational agencies. Based on a formula of \$150 per unduplicated pupil count or \$75,000 per school, whichever is greater, the Elk Grove Unified School District will receive \$1,572,635. Elk Grove Charter School (EGCS) will receive \$75,000. Funds must be expended by June 30, 2019.

The CRBG allows a wide variety of uses of these funds in order to positively impact student access and matriculation to higher education. With input from secondary principals, EGUSD has developed the following plan for expenditure of its CRBG funds:

- Offering a fee waiver for AP tests to eligible students; CRBG funds will replace the use of federal funds for this purpose
- Funding a two-year pilot of the California College Guidance Initiative, an on-line college and career planning system developed by the Foundation for California Community Colleges with support from the California State University and University of California systems and the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
- Costs will include licensing fees based on total enrollment in grades 7-12, creation of a counselor position to coordinate the pilot, provision of 0.1 FTE to support a lead counselor at each high school during the first year of implementation and compensation for staff participation in professional development
- Supporting PSAT for All in 2017-18 and 2018-19
- Costs include licensing fees, PSAT administration in 10th grade and the middle school REDIStep and Explore assessments.
- Providing teacher hourly or subs for high school teachers to collaborate with post-secondary faculty on college transition or curriculum alignment projects

Desired District outcomes of the CRBG implementation are increases in rates of:

- Early Assessment Program exemptions
- A-G completion
- AP participation and student scoring 3+
- Students with college plan
- SAT/ACT participation and an increase in average test scores
- Students earning early college credits
- Post-secondary enrollment/persistence

EGCS plans to use its CRBG funds to:

- Participate in the district’s two-year pilot of the California College Guidance Initiative by using the funding for licensing fees, professional development and coordination
- Developing an annual program of college and career readiness instruction and related on and off campus activities.

Desired outcomes of EGCS’s implementation of CRBG include increases in demonstration of career readiness, graduation rates and college enrollment rates. This item will be brought back for adoption at the regular school board meeting on April 18, 2017.

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XIV. Discussion/Action Items - None

XV. Action Items

- 1. Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies – Motion No. 101, 2016-17 – Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 68, Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies be approved. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None**

- 2. Series 2017 Bonds: Consideration of a resolution providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2016, Series 2017, of Elk Grove Unified School District in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$82,100,000 -- Motion No. 102, 2016-17 – Motion by Mr. Madison, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 69, providing the issuance of the Series 2017 Bonds and delivery of related bond and disclosure documents be adopted. Ayes – Albiani, Forcina, Chaires Espinoza, Madison, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Singh-Allen; Noes - None**

XVI. 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.

XVII. Information Items

- 1. Other Items from the Floor – Ms. Singh-Allen asked the Board to consider Muslim awareness and recognition month.**

XVIII. Adjournment – 7:24 p.m.

Submitted by: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: Nancy Chaires Espinoza
Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Clerk
April 18, 2017