

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, December 9, 2020**

*Adopted*

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

**Others Present via Zoom Webinar:** Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent; Robert Pierce and Mark Cerutti, Deputy Superintendents; David Reilly, Associate Superintendent; Bindy Grewal and Craig Murray, Assistant Superintendents; Shannon Hayes, Chief Financial Officer, Xanthi Pinkerton, Director of Communications

**CLOSED SESSION VIA ZOOM:** The meeting was called to order by Ms. Albiani at 8:30 a.m. to address items 1 through 4 on the closed session portion of the agenda.

- I. Government Code Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d) Paragraph (1):** Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
- II. Government Code Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d) Paragraph (2):** Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation
- III. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint
- IV. 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

**OPEN SESSION VIA ZOOM:** Ms. Albiani called the regular meeting to order via Zoom at 9:50 a.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session via zoom and no action was taken. Ms. Albiani announced that there were no public comments related to items on the agenda.

Ms. Albiani provided a welcome to Elk Grove Unified School District’s virtual board meeting through the Zoom Webinar platform.

Ms. Albiani informed everyone that Legislative Bodies including School Districts are now permitted to hold board meetings telephonically or by other electronic means because on March 17, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-29-20, suspending certain provisions of the California Ralph M. Brown Act. In addition, consistent with the March 19, 2020 Statewide Shelter in Place Order issued by the Governor, Executive Order N-33-20, the Sacramento County Shelter at Home Orders issued on March 19, 2020 and April 7, 2020, and the Center for Disease Control’s (CDC’s) social distancing guidelines which discourage public gatherings, this Board meeting was conducted via the Zoom Webinar platform.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance** – Dr. Bindy Grewal, Assistant Superintendent of PreK-6 Education, led the pledge of allegiance.
- II. Opening & Review of the Day** – Superintendent Hoffman opened the meeting and thanked Ms. Singh-Allen for her hard work for the students, staff and community in the Elk Grove Unified School District. Board members shared their thoughts and expressed their gratitude for Ms. Singh-Allen and wished her well on her new endeavor.
- III. Regional Feeder Pattern Board Presentation: Cosumnes Region** – Administrators from schools in the Cosumnes Region provided an update on the work being done at their sites and the support they are providing students and staff during distance learning.

The Board provided feedback, held a discussion with site administrators and commended them for the work that has been done at their sites.

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*Ms. Singh-Allen left the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Ms. Albiani called for a break at 11:30 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 11:46 a.m.*

- IV. Regional Feeder Pattern Board Presentation: Elk Grove Region** – Administrators from schools in the Elk Grove Region provided an update on the work being done at their sites and the support they are providing students and staff during distance learning.

The Board provided feedback, held a discussion with site administrators and commended them for the work that has been done at their sites.

*Ms. Albiani called for a lunch break at 1:23 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 1:47 p.m.*

- V. Regional Feeder Pattern Board Presentation: Pleasant Grove Region** – Administrators from schools in the Pleasant Grove Region provided an update on the work being done at their sites and the support they are providing students and staff during distance learning.

The Board provided feedback, held a discussion with site administrators and commended them for the work that has been done at their sites.

- VI. Adjournment** – 3:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Beth Albiani, Board President