

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, January 12, 2021

Adopted

Members Present via Zoom Webinar: Beth Albiani, President; Crystal Martinez-Alire, Clerk; Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Carmine Forcina, Anthony Perez and Sean Yang

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; Steve Mate, Chief Technology Officer, Xanthi Soriano, Director of Communications

CLOSED SESSION VIA ZOOM: The meeting was called to order by Ms. Albiani at 5:00 p.m. to address items 1 through 6 on the closed session portion of the agenda.

- I. Government Code Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d) Paragraph (1):** Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation, Claim Number: 13498097
- II. Government Code Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d) Paragraph (2):** Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation
- III. Government Code Section 54956.8:** Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Property: APN 132-029-052 to provide approximately 10 acres located at Poppy Ridge/Lousada Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95757
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 Big Horn RBVP
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment
- IV. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint
- 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 Appointment/Employment; Chief Human Resources Officer

OPEN SESSION VIA ZOOM: Ms. Albiani called the regular meeting to order via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session via zoom and the following action was taken.

Item III. Public Employee Appointment/Employment

- Amreek Singh, Chief Human Resources Officer

I. Pledge of Allegiance – Board Member Nancy Chaires Espinoza led the pledge of allegiance.

II. Presentations/Recognitions

1. Update from the Sacramento County Health Department – Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District’s Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

The Board received an update from Sacramento County Health Officer, Dr. Olivia Kasirye. With the recent surge in COVID infections staff was provided the opportunity to hear an update. Board members provided feedback and thanked Dr. Kasirye for her time.

Ms. Albiani call for a break at 7:54 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 8:00 p.m.

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2. High School Student Representative Reports - Cosumnes Oaks and Sheldon High Schools –

Students reported on activities and academics at their schools via a prerecorded video.

III. Resolutions

- 1. Black/African American History Month –** Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District’s Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

Motion No. 73, 2020-21 – Mr. Perez requested that Resolution No. 32 be amended and the line “and all Black Lives Matter” be added to the resolution. Motion by Mr. Perez, seconded by Ms. Chaires Espinoza that Resolution No. 32 be amended. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – Forcina; Absent – None*

Motion No. 74, 2020-21 - Motion by Ms. Chaires Espinoza, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 32, designating February 2021 as Black/African American History Month, be adopted. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

- 2. Career Technical Education Month Resolution –** Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District’s Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

Motion No. 75, 2020-21 - Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 35, designating February 2021 as Career Technical Education Month, be adopted. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations - None

- V. Public Comment –** Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments that were submitted through the District’s Google Public Comment Form. Public comments that were received for non-agenda items are captured below. Public comments related to an agenda item have been recorded in corresponding sections.

Mickey Slamkowski, principal at the California Montessori Project shared information about the work being done with their families and staff regarding the next phase of their educational experience.

Anonymous requested that due to the vast infection rates between neighborhoods that the District keep campuses closed to keep community spread down.

Anonymous thanked the board for being pioneers from the beginning of this pandemic and putting the students, staff, and families as the number one priority. Anonymous shared that own children are doing well on Distance Learning and are making progress and requested that the District continue to show the city, county, and state that Elk Grove is not swayed by outside pressure, but puts the students first.

Debra Shook, H. Garcia, Noah Mitchell, Anna Osborn, Denise Hermann, Ellie Hanson, Felicia, Kara Gomes, Karen M., Lisa, Mary Huston, Megan Harper, Rob Osborn, Sarah Nguyen, Scott G., Anonymous (6) shared their experiences and concerns about Distance Learning and requested that the District open schools for in-person learning.

Anissa Wallace shared concerns and frustrations with distance learning and requested that the District put a better plan in place that meets the needs of students with special needs.

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VI. Consent Agenda – Action - Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District’s Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

Mr. Perez pulled items 6, 7 and 8 for further discussion.

Motion No. 76, 2020-21 - Motion by Dr. Martinez-Alire, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that items 1 through 11, except for items 6 through 8 on the consent agenda be approved. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

Motion No. 77, 2020-21 - Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Dr. Martinez-Alire and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that items 6 through 8 on the consent agenda be approved. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

- 1. Personnel Actions** - Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 2. Warrant Register No. 5** – Approve Warrant Register No. 5 – Warrant Numbers 076502 - 077045, 411268 -411934. All Funds: November 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020.
- 3. Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from November 17, 2020 – December 15, 2020.
- 4. Acceptance of Gifts** - Approved donations to the District’s schools/programs as submitted.
- 5. Ratification of Contracts for Services** - Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.
- 6. Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** - Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
- 7. Appointment of Consulting Teachers to the Teacher Induction Program and the Peer Assistance and Review Program** – Appointed the following Consulting Teachers to support teachers through the Teacher Induction Program (formerly BTSA) and the Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) Program:

Elementary School

Charmaine Bray, John Ehrhardt
Jamie Davis, Union House
Sandy Glaeser, Stone Lake
Maria Hill, Carroll
Ellen Morris, Maeola Beitzel
Sarah Natrass, Ellen Feickert
Alisha Patten, Foulks Ranch
Dawn Phillips, Jessie Baker
Ylamarie Renshaw, Isabelle Jackson
Kristin Smith, Arnold Adreani
Katherine Thompson, Maeola Beitzel
Marilyn Wu, David Reese
Shannon Young, Elliott Ranch

Middle School

Jaime Shilen, Toby Johnson MS
Morgan Steger, Harriett Eddy MS

High School

Michelle Archibald, Valley HS
Tracy Fernandez, Elk Grove HS
David Kjargaard, Franklin HS
Robin Lopez, Laguna Creek HS
Marilyn Varriano, Cosumnes Oaks HS

- 8. Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District Lower Emission Vehicle Incentive Program Agreements** – Authorized the District to enter into two Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District Lower Emission Vehicle Incentive Program

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Agreements to purchase 13 (thirteen) all electric school buses and installation of all associated infrastructure including charging stations; and, authorized Robert Pierce, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Facilities and Michael “Matt” Sanchez, Director of Transportation to execute all necessary documents to implement and complete the project.

9. Instructional Materials Adoption – Adopted the following instructional materials:

Basic

Photography, Twelfth Edition; Copyright 2017, Pearson Education, Inc. (Photography II, Honors, Grades 10-12) [This basic instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

Career Choices and Changes, Sixth Edition; Copyright 2019, Academic Innovations (Focus on College and Career, Grade 9) [This basic instructional material will be paid for using CTE and/or site funds.]

Visual Phonics; Copyright 1996, International Communication Learning Institute (DHOH SCC, Grades K-6, and ASL Language Support, Grades 9-12) [This basic instructional material will be paid for using EGUSD Instructional Materials funds.]

Code.org (Computer Science, Grades 9-12) [This basic digital instructional material is a free resource; no funding is needed.]

Code HS (Computer Science, Grades 9-12) [This basic digital instructional material is a free resource; no funding is needed.]

Project Lead the Way (Miscellaneous PLTW and related courses, Grades K-12) [This basic digital instructional material will be paid for using CTE and/or site funds.]

Supplemental

Career Choices and Changes, Sixth Edition; Copyright 2019, Academic Innovations (Arts, Media, and Entertainment, Intro to, Grades 9-12) [This supplemental instructional material will be paid for using CTE and/or site funds.]

Culturally Authentic and Responsive Texts; Copyright 2019, Published by Teacher Created Materials (Reading/English Language Arts, Grades K-6) [This supplemental instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

Scholastic News Magazine; Scholastic Inc. (English/Language Arts, History/Social Science, and Science, Grades K-6) [This supplemental instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

Ag Explorer (All Agriculture Courses, Grades 7-12) [This supplemental digital instructional material will be paid for using CTE, CA Partnership Academy, Other Academy/Alternative Funding and/or site funds.]

Imagine Learning: Language & Literacy (ELD, Grades TK-12) [This supplemental digital instructional material will be paid for using CARES Act Funds and/or site funds.]

StarFall (English/Language Arts and Mathematics, Grades K-3) [This supplemental digital instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

HIPAA Training (Biomedical/Medical Careers, Grades 9-12) [This supplemental digital instructional material will be paid for using CTE funds and/or Other Academy/Alternative Funding.]

UC Scout (French IV, Grades 10-12) [This supplemental digital instructional material is a free resource; no funding is needed.]

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IXL (English/Language Arts and Mathematics, Grades K-6) [This supplemental digital instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

Reading A-Z (Reading and Technology, Grades K-6) [This supplemental digital instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

10. Updates to Existing High School Courses – Adopted updates to the existing high school courses listed below:

AP Computer Science Principles (Course #07514, Grades 10-12)

French I (Course #05110, Grades 7-8)

French II (Course #05120, Grades 8-12)

French III (Course #05130, Grades 9-12)

French IV (Course #05140, Grades 10-12)

French IV Honors (Course #05141, Grades 10-12)

AP French Language and Culture (Course #05150, Grades 11-12)

German I (Course #05210, Grades 7-12)

German II (Course #05220, Grades 8-12)

German III (Course #05230, Grades 9-12)

AP German Language and Culture (Course #05250, Grades 11-12)

Japanese I (Course #05310, Grades 7-12)

Japanese II (Course #05320, Grades 8-12)

Japanese III (Course #05330, Grades 9-12)

Japanese IV (Course #05340, Grades 10-12)

Japanese IV Honors (Course #05341, Grades 10-12)

AP Japanese Language and Culture (Course #05350, Grades 11-12)

Spanish I (Course #05010, Grades 7-12)

Spanish II (Course #05020, Grades 8-12)

Spanish III (Course #05030, Grades 9-12)

Spanish IV (Course #05040, Grades 10-12)

AP Spanish Literature and Culture (Course #05045, Grades 11-12)

AP Spanish Language and Culture (Course #05046, Grades 11-12)

Spanish for Native Speakers I (Course #05050, Grades 9-12)

Spanish for Native Speakers II (Course #05060, Grades 10-12)

11. New High School Course – Adopted the following new high school course:

Photography II, Honors (VAPA, Grades 10-12) (one-year equivalent, 10 credits) This course is intended for the advanced photography student who wishes to create a portfolio of independently-produced work through traditional and digital practices. This course is especially suited for students wishing to pursue AP Studio Art: 2-D Design with a photography emphasis. This course will include aesthetics, art criticism, art history, and studio production. Students complete process-based work showing a progression of style and artistic influence through research and evaluation of artists' works as well as a focus on elements and principles of design.

VII. LCAP Update – None

VIII. Race and Educational Equity – None

IX. Budget Update – None

X. Facilities Update – None

XI. Bargaining Units – None

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XII. Reports

1. EGUSD Department of Safety & Security: Safety – Support – Collaboration – Equity -

Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District's Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

Mr. Joseph Airoso provided the Board of Education a report on how the District is caring for its students with a focus on safety, support, and equity, including:

- The structure and functions of the Safety and Security Department
- Professional learning and development
- Law enforcement data
- The supports provided to schools and families
- Future areas of Focus

During the Board discussion at 9:58 p.m. - Motion No. 78, 2020-21, Ms. Albiani called for a motion to extend the meeting until 10:45 p.m. Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the meeting be extended until 10:45 p.m. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

During Board discussion at 10:45 p.m. - Motion No. 79, 2020-21, Ms. Albiani called for a motion to extend the meeting until 11:30 p.m. Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Dr. Martinez-Alire and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the meeting be extended until 11:30 p.m. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

Board members held a discussion, provided feedback and thanked Mr. Airoso and staff for the report.

Mr. Forcina requested information about the changes that were made.

Mr. Perez called for a motion to have this report back to the Board. This motion did not receive a second and failed.

XIII. Public Hearing/Action Items

1. Consideration and Public Notice of Elk Grove Unified School District's Initial Proposal to California School Employees Association Regarding Collective Bargaining for the 2020-

2021 School Year - Ms. Albiani opened the public hearing and called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District's Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none. Ms. Albiani closed the public hearing.

Motion No. 80, 2020-21 - Motion by Mr. Chaires Espinoza, seconded by Dr. Martinez-Alire and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that EGUSD's initial proposal to CSEA regarding collective bargaining for the 2020-21 school year be accepted. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

XIV. Discussion Items – None

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XV. Action Items

- 1. Resolution to Eliminate Classified Positions** - Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District's Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

Motion No. 81, 2020-21 - Motion by Dr. Martinez-Alire, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 34, authorizing the Governing Board to eliminate classified positions pursuant to Education Code be adopted. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

- 2. New Non-Represented Employee Employment Agreement Positions** - Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District's Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

Motion No. 82, 2020-21 - Motion by Dr. Martinez-Alire, seconded by Mr. Yang that the Chief Human Resources Officer Employment Agreement be approved. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire and Yang; Nays – Perez; Absent – None*

- 3. Appointment of a Representative from the Elk Grove Unified School District to the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly** - Ms. Albiani called on Xanthi Soriano to read public comments submitted through the District's Google Public Comment Form related to this item; there were none.

Dr. Martinez-Alire nominated Ms. Chaires Espinoza to serve on CSBA's Delegate Assembly. Motion No. 83, 2020-21 - Motion by Dr. Martinez-Alire, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Nancy Chaires Espinoza be appointed to CSBA's Delegate Assembly. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

Mr. Perez nominated Mr. Yang to serve on CSBA's Delegate Assembly. Mr. Yang declined the nomination.

XVI. Board Member and Superintendent Reports – None

XVII. Information Items

- 1. Other Items from the Floor**

Mr. Forcina motioned for the immediate formation of a board committee inclusive of all stakeholders to develop an inclusive in-person education plan that is equitable for all students and inclusive of all activities and that this motion be placed on the next board agenda for discussion and a vote. This motion did not receive a second and failed.

Mr. Yang requested a copy of the plan to return to school and a copy of the MOU.

Dr. Martinez-Alire requested that the board handbook be revisited after the new board member is in place.

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XVIII. Adjournment – 11:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: 

Beth Albani, Board President