

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, August 18, 2021

*adopted*

**Members Present:** Beth Albiani, President; Crystal Martinez-Alire, Clerk; Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Carmine Forcina, Gina Jamerson, Anthony Perez and Sean Yang

**Others Present:** Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent; Robert Pierce and Mark Cerutti, Deputy Superintendents; David Reilly, Associate Superintendent; Bindy Grewal and Craig Murray, Assistant Superintendents; Amreek Singh, Chief Human Resources Officer; Shannon Hayes, Chief Financial Officer; Steve Mate, Chief Technology Officer, Xanthi Soriano, Director of Communications

**OPEN SESSION:** Ms. Albiani called that meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in the board room of the Education Center.

Ms. Albiani provided a welcome and informed the public that the Board of Education has resumed full in-person board meetings beginning on August 10, 2021, unless otherwise ordered by the Sacramento County Public Health Department, the State, or by other legal mandate. Live streaming of the board meeting is made available via the Zoom platform and meetings are recorded (video and audio) and will be made available on the Elk Grove Unified School District's YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/user/elkgroveunified](http://www.youtube.com/user/elkgroveunified).

**I. Pledge of Allegiance** – Ms. Chaires Espinoza, Board Member, led the pledge of allegiance.

**II. Overview of the Day** – Superintendent Hoffman provided an overview of the day.

*8:42 a.m. - Mr. Perez arrived to the board meeting.*

**III. Review of Board/Superintendent Evaluation Tools and Review of EGUSD Governance Handbook** - Mike Merchant of the Arbinger Institute facilitated the review of the Board self-assessment tool, the Superintendent's evaluation tool and EGUSD Governance Handbook.

Board members provided feedback and finalized the documents. The finalized items will be brought back to the Board for approval at the September 7, 2021 board meeting.

**IV. Governance Training/Goal Setting/Board Workshop Planning** – Mike Merchant facilitated governance training with the Board of Education. The training included a review of the principles for effective governance utilizing an Outward Mindset. This session also included a facilitated conversation regarding goal setting for the 2021-22 school year to set the format/topics for scheduled board workshops.

**CLOSED SESSION:** At 11:34 a.m., Ms. Albiani announced that the Board would meet in closed session to address the item on the closed session portion of the agenda and called for public comment on this item. There were no public comments on the following closed session item.

**I. 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

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**OPEN SESSION:** Ms. Albiani called the special meeting back to order at 1:43 p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session and that no action was taken. Nancy Chaires Espinoza joined the meeting via Zoom at this time.

- V. American Recovery Plan Act - Elementary and Secondary Education Emergency Relief (ESSER II/III)** – Robert Pierce, Mark Cerutti and Shannon Hayes engaged the Board in a discussion regarding actions and services to be included in the plan. As a condition of funding all Districts and Charter Schools are required to submit a Board approved plan for the use of the American Recovery Plan Act - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III) Grant funds. The available funding is \$191 million and will expire June 30, 2024. Staff recommended developing actions and services that will benefit students starting in January 2022 through June 2024.

### Plan Development Timeline


<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
8/2/2021 through 8/13/2021	Stakeholder consultation window
8/16/2021	Data synthesis by Research and Evaluation
8/18/2021	Board Workshop
8/23/2021	Draft Plan in alignment with stakeholder input
8/27/2021	Board Communication update of progress including Draft Plan
8/30/2021 through 9/3/2021	Public comment window for Draft Plan posted on District website
9/7/2021	Regular Scheduled Board meeting
9/21/2021	Regular Scheduled Board meeting
T.B.D.	Submission to SCOE

*Dr. Martinez-Alire left the meeting at 3:05 p.m. Ms. Jamerson left the meeting at 3:20 p.m.*

Board members provided feedback based on the current status of the District’s planning and stakeholder feedback for the expenditures of the American Recovery Plan Act - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III) Grant funds.

- VI. Adjournment** – 3:20 p.m.

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by:   
Beth Albiani, Board President