

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, January 18, 2022

Adopted

Members Present via Zoom: Crystal Martinez-Alire, President; Sean Yang, Clerk; Beth Albiani, Nancy Chaires Espinoza Carmine Forcina, Gina Jamerson, Anthony Perez, and Student Board Member Jaimee Nguyen

Others Present via Zoom: 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

CLOSED SESSION: The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m. to address items 1 through 3 on the closed session portion of the agenda. During the discussion of Item I, Ms. Albiani did not participate in closed session.

I. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment/Employment - Director, Secondary Education

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

OPEN SESSION: Dr. Martinez-Alire called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. and announced that the board met in closed session and no action was taken.

Dr. Martinez-Alire provided a welcome and informed the public that effective on January 6, 2022, under the authority of California Health and Safety Code Sections 101040, 101085, 120175, and 120220, the Health Officer of the County of Sacramento Hereby Ordered the following:

“All public boards, councils, commissions, and other similar bodies shall suspend in-person public meetings and conduct all meetings virtually. Affected bodies shall ensure opportunities for virtual public participation and compliance with the Brown Act and all other relevant statutes.”

Accordingly, consistent with the January 6, 2022, Sacramento County Public Health Order, the Governing Board shall use teleconferencing (videoconferencing through Zoom), and the following adjustments have been regarding the Zoom public comments process and timing. 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

I. Pledge of Allegiance – Superintendent Christopher Hoffman led the pledge of allegiance.

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II. Presentations/Recognitions

- 1. High School Student Representative Reports – Florin and Pleasant Grove High Schools** – Students from Florin and Pleasant Grove High Schools reported on activities and academics at their schools.
- 2. 2021-22 Future Farmers of America Student Recognition** – The Board of education recognized Elk Grove Unified School District students who competed and won in FFA events in the fall and winter of 2021, including the State and National FFA competitions.

III. Resolutions

- 1. Black/African American History Month** – Motion No. 87, 2021-22 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 37, designating February 2022 as Black/African American History Month be approved. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Nguyen (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*
- 2. Career Technical Education Month Resolution** – Motion No. 88, 2021-22 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 38, designating February 2022 as Career Technical Education Month be approved. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Nguyen (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations

- 1. Request for Student Expulsions** – Motion No. 89, 2021-22 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the recommendation for student expulsions be approved. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

V. Public Comment

Lisa Stanley shared her concerns about incidents involving a middle school student and shared her support of Mr. and Mrs. Washington. Ms. Stanley would like to know what is being done to assist students who have been affected by traumatizing experiences at school.

Joel Boyd spoke in support of Mr. and Mrs. Washington and the traumatic incident that their daughter experienced. Mr. Boyd also expressed concerns about the discipline documents that were added to the student's file and requested that the district and school site do better.

Julie Wilson, Jannie Thomas, Leighanne Valencia, Sean Hicks, Maria Vazquez, Makayla Capitano, Donna Laird, Stephanie Homen, Kim Howell shared their concerns about the low paraeducator wages, their financial struggles, the difficult work they do and requested higher wages.

Charles Washington thanked previous speakers for advocating for his daughter and expressed that the pursuit of justice for his daughter has been an uphill battle. Mr. Washington shared additional concerns and requested something be done.

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Heather Morris spoke about her daughter's discipline records that were provided by the school site and questioned the dates. Ms. Washington asked that the Board and Superintendent for support and requested that Vice Principal Couchot be terminated.

Esquisitive Hundley addressed the behavior of several staff and administrators and shared her concerns about students being traumatized by administrators.

Lorreen Pryor shared her concerns about the problems in the district and the lack of assistance the parents of a student have received. Ms. Pryor requested to meet with the Board President.

Nickolas Moran shared AFSCME members concerns and his concerns about the issues with negotiations that includes the COVID leave extension. Mr. Moran requested that the Board look into this matter.

Erin Somers stated that she was speaking in solidarity and partnership with the Washington family. Ms. Somers shared concerns about what the family has undergone and asked that the district bring resolution to the family.

VI. Consent Agenda - Action – Motion No. 90, 2021-22 – Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Chaires Espinoza and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present, that items 1 through 29 on the consent agenda be approved. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Nguyen (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

- 1. Approval of Minutes** – Approved the minutes from the special board meetings that were held on November 2, 2021 and on December 7, 2021.
- 2. 2022-2023 School Year Calendar** – Approved the 2022-2023 School Year Calendar.
- 3. Personnel Actions** - Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 4. Certification of Administrator's Competence to Evaluate** – Granted Certification of Administrator's Competence to Evaluate to the following newly-hired district administrators who successfully completed the District's training process; Gustavo Espindola, Samuel Jackman Middle School and Sara Zettel, Robert J. Fite Elementary School.
- 5. Laguna Creek High School – ACT/SAT Scholarship** – Approved the Laguna Creek High School – ACT/SAT Scholarship in the amount of \$200.00.
- 6. Valley High School – Matthew Goodwin Celebration of Life Art Scholarship** – Approved the Valley High School – Matthew Goodwin Celebration of Life Art Scholarship; up to four scholarships for \$2,500.00.
- 7. Valley High School – Associated Student Body Viking Dreamer Foundation Scholarship Expenditure** – Approved the Valley High School – Associated Student Body Viking Dreamer Foundation Scholarship; up to two scholarships for \$1,000.00.
- 8. Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the District's schools/programs as submitted.

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- 9. Warrant Register No. 6** – Approved Warrant Register No. 6 – Warrant Numbers 091666 – 092843, 421921 – 422611. All Funds: December 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.
- 10. Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** - Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
- 11. Ratification of Contracts, Memorandum of Understanding and Agreements for Services** - Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.
- 12. Approval of 2020-21 Bond Interest and Redemption Fund 51** – Approved revisions made to the Bond Interest and Redemption Fund 51 for the 2020-21 fiscal year.
- 13. Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from November 30, 2021 – January 4, 2022.
- 14. Approval of Purchase Order History** – Approved purchase orders for the weeks of December 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.
- 15. Approval to Award RFP #717-21/22 – Recess Support Providers** – Authorized the award of RFP #717-21/22 – Recess Support Providers for its School Improvement Support Department
- 16. Approval to Award BID #718-21/22 – Warehouse/Print Shop Material Handling Equipment** – Authorized the award of BID #718-21/22 – Warehouse/Print Shop Material Handling Equipment to Raymond Handling Concepts Corporation.
- 17. Disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property** – Authorized the disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property. No income is anticipated to be received by the district for these items, however any income that is received will go into the General Fund.
- 18. Disposal of Various Obsolete/Surplus Property** – Authorized the disposal of Various Obsolete/Surplus Property including vehicles and equipment. Any proceeds would go into the General Fund.
 - ID #: 161B, Year/Make: 2002 Bluebird, VIN: 1BABNBMA52F205333, License: 1123601, Mileage: 154267 - This bus was in an accident on 9/30/2020, when it was rear ended by a pickup. SIA determined it was a total loss.
 - ID #: 558SUP, Year/Make: 2016 Ford Explorer, VIN: 1FM5K8AR0GGC42263, License: 1552545, Mileage: 91300 - This vehicle was in an accident on 9/30/2020 when it was hit broadside by another vehicle. SIA determined it was a total loss.
 - This vehicle was Board approved for surplus on 11/16/2021. Administration is requesting that the Board rescind the surplus designation for the subject vehicle, as Staff later determined that necessary repairs could be made with available parts, thus allowing it to be resourced for an alternative and necessary purpose at the Transportation Department. ID #: 420CC, Year/Make: 2008 GEM, VIN: 5ASAJ27458F048135, License: 1314390, Mileage: unknown

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- 19. Water Bottle Filler Stations - Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the Water Bottle Filler Stations project and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 20. Water Bottle Filler Stations - Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with KYA Services, LLC., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 consists of one (1) item and changes the contract amount of \$91,689.80 by (\$10,186.91) to \$81,502.89.
- 21. Tennis Courts Replacement at Various Sites - Lease-Leaseback (LLB) Engagement** – Authorized Administration to negotiate with A M Stephens Construction Co., Inc. to determine a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Tennis Courts Replacement at various sites.
- 22. Classroom Upgrades at Four (4) Sites (Ellen Feickert, Charles E. Mack, James McKee Elementary Schools, and James Rutter Middle School) Lease-Leaseback (LLB) Engagement** – Authorized Administration to negotiate with XL Construction to perform the Classroom Upgrades at four sites to determine a Guaranteed Maximum Price.
- 23. Classroom Upgrades at Five (5) Sites (Isabelle Jackson, Samuel Kennedy, Florence Markofer and Prairie Elementary Schools, and Samuel Jackman Middle School) Lease-Leaseback (LLB) Engagement** – Authorized Administration to negotiate with C T Brayton and Sons, Inc. to perform the Classroom Upgrades at Five Sites project to determine a Guaranteed Maximum Price.
- 24. Out-of-State Field Trip** – Approved the out of state travel as listed below.

School	Field Trip Destination	Field Trip Purpose	Dates of Trip
Laguna Creek High School	Dayton, OH	Participate in WGI National Competition Winter Guard (Music/VAPA)	April 5-10, 2022

- 25. Instructional Materials Adoption** – Adopted the following instructional materials.
- Basic**
Genki II, Second Edition; Copyright 2011, The Japan Times, Ltd. (IB Japanese SL1, Grades 11-12)
- Supplemental**
Journey for Justice, The Life of Larry Itliong; Copyright 2018, Bridge and Delta Publishing (ELA, History/Social Science, SEL, Grade 4)
Sheet Metal, Second Edition; Copyright 2006, American Technical Publishers, Inc. (Engineering Technology, Grades 9-10)
 Guided Readers (ELA, Grades K-6)
 Xtra Math (Mathematics, GradesK-6)
 Imaginez Student Activities Manual (French IV, Grades 11-12)
 AP French Language and Culture Exam Prep (AP French Language and Culture, Grades 11-12)
- 26. Revisions to High School Courses** – Approved revisions to the high school courses below.

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Baking & Patisserie (Course #12424) (CTE Culinary Arts, Grades 9-12) - It is requested that the pre-requisites of “Introduction to Culinary Arts (#12425)” and “Foods & Nutrition (12423)” be removed so this course has no pre-requisite. Rationale: Baking & Patisserie is no longer part of the sequence of classes required in the Culinary Arts Program. By removing the pre-requisites for this elective course, sites can best meet the needs and interests of students.

Elements and Principles of Floral Design (Course #12218) (CTE Agriculture, Grades 9-11) It is requested to add the pre-requisite “Biology and Sustainable Agriculture (#12220)” to this course. Rationale: This revision is necessary to enforce CTE pathway coherence (three courses taken in order building upon one another).

27. Agreement with Studios for the Performing Arts Operating Company – Approved a three-year agreement between EGUSD and Studios for the Performing Arts Operating Company at a cost of \$110,500. This agreement is for District access to the CLARA Classroom platform. This access will provide students and teachers with standards-aligned modules in dance, music, and theatre for grades TK-6.

28. Approval to Purchase Chromebooks and Services – Authorized staff to purchase 17000 Chromebooks, and configuration services utilizing the Sourcewell contract #081419 awarded to CDW-G.

29. Approval to Purchase Student Headsets – Authorized staff to purchase 60000 student headsets utilizing the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance contract #NCPA 01-48 awarded to Troxell Communications.

VII. LCAP Update – None

VIII. Race and Educational Equity – None

IX. Budget Update – None

X. Facilities Update – None

XI. Bargaining Units

Lance Hawkins, CSEA President, requested higher wages that will retain his members.

Monica Lee and Angela Swan, para educators, expressed their concerns about the job, the low salary and the lack of contract for the new year. Requested that the new contract be approved.

Jeremiah Miller, AFSCME, thanked Jaimee Nguyen for the wonderful job she’s doing. Mr. Miller shared a comment from Nicole Strange that requested a fair contract and he shared his concerns about the comments that members from other bargaining units are making about salaries. He asked that the District do better with the COVID leave extension and that it not be used as a bargaining chip.

Dr. Martinez-Alire called for a break at 7:45 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 7:55 p.m.

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XII. Reports

- 1. Food & Nutrition Services Annual Report** – Michelle Drake, Director of Food and Nutrition Services provided a presentation to update the Board and provide an annual overview of the Food and Nutrition Services program.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Ms. Drake for the report.

XIII. Public Hearing/Action Items – None

XIV. Discussion Items

- 1. Discussion of the Trustee Area Redistricting Process, Draft Maps and Public Feedback** – Robert Pierce provided the Board with information regarding the trustee area redistricting process, draft maps and public feedback. The Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) completed the process to transition from at-large to by-trustee area elections earlier this year. In a by-trustee area election system, each trustee is required to reside within a defined trustee area and is elected only by voters in that trustee area.

Upon the release of U.S. Decennial Census Data, school districts that use by-trustee area elections are required to evaluate whether the current trustee areas have approximately equal populations using the new census data. The variation in total population among trustee areas must not exceed 10%. If the total peak variation is less than 10%, no changes are needed. If the total peak variation exceeds 10%, trustee area boundaries need to be adjusted. This process is referred to as *redistricting*.

EGUSD has hired professional demographers, National Demographics Corporation (NDC), to conduct a study of the 2020 Census data to determine whether the current trustee areas are population balanced. NDC has determined the total peak variation between trustee areas exceeds 10% and trustee area boundaries will need to be adjusted. The Board will adopt a resolution establishing trustee area boundaries no later than February 28, 2022, the deadline established by law.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Mr. Pierce for the information.

XV. Action Items

- 1. Education Code Section 17556, et seq.: Consideration of Resolution of Intent to Convey Electrical Facilities Easement to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District for the Transportation Department Project** - Motion No. 91, 2021-22 – Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Chaires Espinoza and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 36, of Intention to Convey Electric Distribution Facilities Easement to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District for the R-16 EV Infrastructure Expansion Phase 1 at 8421 Gerber Rd. Sacramento, California, Transportation Department project be adopted. A public hearing will take place on February 1, 2022, at 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, in the Board Room at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Nguyen (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – 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.

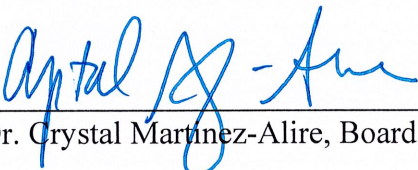
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XVII. Consideration of Future Agenda Items - None

XVIII. Adjournment – 9:27 p.m.

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by:



Dr. Crystal Martinez-Alire, Board President