

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, February 1, 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 5:00 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 – Management Position

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 6:22 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 – Xanthi Soriano, Director of Communications, led the pledge of allegiance.

II. Presentations/Recognitions

1. High School Student Representative Reports - Elk Grove Charter, Laguna Creek and Valley High Schools – Students from Elk Grove Charter, Laguna Creek and Valley High Schools reported on activities and academics at their schools.

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- 2. 2020-21 Annual Audit** – Jeff Jensen of Crowe LLP presented a report to the Board of Education that included the 2020-21 district-wide annual audit report, including the Measure M General Obligation Bonds Financial Statements and Performance Audit.

Mr. Perez called for a motion for the board committee members to present this item at a board meeting. The motion did not receive a second; the motion failed.

III. Resolutions

- 1. National Nutrition Month** – Motion No. 95, 2021-22 – Motion by Mr. Perez, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 42, designating the month of March as National Nutrition Month be adopted. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Nguyen (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*
- 2. Recognition of School Counseling Week** – Motion No. 96, 2021-22 – Motion by Ms. Jamerson, seconded by Ms. Chaires Espinoza and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 39 recognizing February 7-11, 2022, as National School Counseling Week be adopted. 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. 97, 2021-22 – Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Forcina 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

Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda

Loreen Pryor expressed her frustration about the suspension data in the discipline report that was presented at the last meeting and mentioned a comment made by a board member during a board meeting about a certain advocacy group. Ms. Pryor also shared concerns about the RFP process.

Amelina Mendoza shared her thoughts and concerns about the mask mandates and the repercussions they are having on children. Ms. Mendoza asked for an item to be added to an agenda for parents to have a discussion with the Board about the mandates.

Exquisitive Hundley expressed concerns about the disproportionate discipline within the district not being addressed and shared that at BYLP they are getting cases showing staff and administrators showing lack of empathy, lack of accountability and lack of discretion when it comes to how black children are seen and disciplined.

There were no public comments for items on the agenda.

- VI. Consent Agenda – Action** - Prior to the vote, Mr. Perez pulled items 2, 3, 7, 8, 18 and 19 for discussion/action. Motion No. 98, 2021-22 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present, that items 1 through 19, except for items 2, 3, 7, 8, 18 and 19 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*

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Motion No. 99, 2021-22 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present, that items 2, 3, 7, 8, 18 and 19 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 Board Policies** – Approved updated Board Policies as listed below.
 - BP 4040 Employee Use of Technology
 - BP 4040.1 Employee Use of Email – **Delete/Obsolete**
- 2. Approval of Minutes** – Approved the minutes from the virtual regular board meeting that was held on January 18, 2022, and the virtual special board meeting that was held on January 26, 2022.
- 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 for the following newly-hired district administrators who have successfully completed the district’s training process: Alejandra Rodriguez and Gina Wandell.
- 5. Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the district’s schools/programs as submitted.
- 6. Ratification of Contracts, Memorandums of Understanding and Agreements for Services** - Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.
- 7. Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** - Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
- 8. Approval of Budget Transfers** – Approved budget transfers for various funds for the period of July 31, 2021, through October 31, 2021.
- 9. Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from January 05, 2022 – January 19, 2022.
- 10. Approval to Purchase Grounds Maintenance Equipment, Parts, Accessories, and Supplies** – Authorized the purchase of ground keeping golf, and sports field maintenance equipment cooperatively through a RFP secured by National IPA.
- 11. Approval to Purchase Ergonomic Solutions** - Authorized the purchase of ergonomics solutions cooperatively through a RFP secured by TCPN.
- 12. Approval of an Extension to Bid #675-19/20 -Maintenance & Operations Plumbing Parts & Supplies/Irrigation Parts and Supplies** – Authorized the extension of Bid #675-19/20 - Maintenance & Operations Plumbing Parts & Supplies/Irrigation Parts and Supplies for an additional year.
- 13. Approval to Purchase Comprehensive Operational and Janitorial Supplies** – Authorized the purchase of comprehensive operational and janitorial supplies cooperatively through a RFP secured by NCPA Region 14 ESC/NCPA, RFP #08-16.
- 14. Joseph Kerr Middle School Modernization Phase 2 - Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with F&H Construction, Inc., 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 \$1,556,886.00 by (\$105,824.00) to \$1,451,062.00.

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- 15. Joseph Kerr Middle School Modernization Phase 2 - Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the Joseph Kerr Middle School Modernization – Phase 2 project and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 16. Elk Grove High School, Culinary - Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Flint Builders, Inc., 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 \$4,971,796.00 by (10,599.00) to \$4,961,197.00.
- 17. Elk Grove High School, Culinary - Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the Elk Grove High School, Culinary project, and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 18. Approval to Award RFP #695-20/21 – Child Care & Development Providers** – Authorized the award of RFP #695-20/21 – Child Care & Development Providers. Catalyst Family Inc., DBA Catalyst Kids at 21 district site locations and KCE Champions LLC, at 11 district site locations.
- 19. Approval of 2021-22 School Accountability Report Card (SARC) Template and Notice of Posting** – Approved the 2021-22 School Accountability Report Card Template and Notice of Posting.

Dr. Martinez-Alire called for a break at 7:56 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 8:10 p.m.

VII. LCAP Update – None

VIII. Race and Educational Equity

- 1. Educational Equity – Department Staffing and Structure** – Dr. Mat Espinosa provided the Board with an update about the EGUSD Educational Equity Department staffing structure, functional alignment to the District’s Equity Plan and Vision, and the board met staff via Zoom.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Dr. Espinosa for the update.

IX. Budget Update

- 1. Governor's Budget Update** – Robert Pierce provided the board with information about the 2022-23 State budget. The report outlines the current status of the 2022-23 Governor's January Budget proposal.

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

Motion No. 100, 2021-22 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present, that the board meeting be extended to 10:30 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Nguyen (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

X. Facilities Update – None

XI. Bargaining Units – None

XII. Reports – None

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XIII. Public Hearing/Action Items

1. Education Code Section 17556, et seq.: Consideration of Resolution to Grant Permanent Electrical Facilities Easement to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District for the R-16 EV Infrastructure Expansion Phase 1 at the Transportation Department, 8421 Gerber Rd. Project

Dr. Martinez-Alire, opened the public hearing and there were no public comments related to this item. Dr. Martinez-Alire closed the public hearing.

Motion No. 101, 2021-22 – Motion by Ms. Chaires Espinoza, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 40, 2021-22 Granting Electrical Facilities Easement to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District for the R-16 EV Infrastructure Expansion Project be adopted. Roll Call Vote: *Ayes – Nguyen (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – None*

XIV. Discussion Items – None

XV. Action Items – 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. Consideration of Future Agenda Items

Mr. Perez requested a discussion item in closed session about ongoing investigations. Board President Martinez-Alire informed Mr. Perez that the Superintendent would follow up with him.

XVIII. Adjournment – Dr. Martinez-Alire adjourned the meeting at 10:28 p.m. in memory of Elk Grove Police Officer Tyler Lenehan.

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by:



Dr. Crystal Martinez-Alire, Board President