

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, September 20, 2022

Adopted

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

Others Present: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent; Robert Pierce and Mark Cerutti, Deputy Superintendents; David Reilly, Associate Superintendent; Bindy Grewal, Assistant Superintendent; Chad Sweitzer, Assistant Superintendent; 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.

- I. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint
- II. 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
- III. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title: Superintendent

OPEN SESSION: Dr. Martinez-Alire called the meeting to order at 6:06 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 unless otherwise ordered by the Sacramento County Public Health Department, the State, or by other legal mandate including AB 361 Board Resolution, the Board of Education has resumed full in-person Board meetings. 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 – Robert J. Fite Elementary School** - Maxwell Llorente and Abikhay Lirio Llorente led the pledge of allegiance and were recognized by the Board of Education for their contributions and continued support of the students, staff, and community at Robert J. Fite Elementary School.
- II. Presentations/Recognitions**
 - 1. High School Student Representative Reports - Elk Grove and Pleasant Grove High Schools** – Students from Elk Grove High School and Pleasant Grove High School reported on academics and activities at their schools.
- III. Resolutions**
 - 1. Walk & Roll to School Day October 12, 2022** – Motion No. 24, 2022-23 – Motion by Ms. Jamerson, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 19, 2022-23 designating October 12, 2022, as Walk & Roll to School Day be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

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2. **National Bullying Prevention Month** – Motion No. 25, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 18, recognizing the month of October as National Bullying Prevention Month be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*
3. **2022-2023 United Way Campaign** – Motion No. 26, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Perez, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 20, which proclaims the period of October 3 through October 31, 2022, as the United Way Campaign be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations

1. **Request for Student Expulsion** – Motion No. 27, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the Hearing Panel’s recommendations regarding student expulsions be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

V. Public Comment

Loreen Pryor expressed her displeasure with board members and the District. Ms. Pryor requested that the meeting parents requested last year with school board members be scheduled to discuss the mistreatment of black children, that agency be given to these children so that they can communicate what is happening on campus and that a crisis response team be implemented to include community members, since the District is short staffed and to help the District assist these children.

Exquisitive Hundley and Lisa Stanly shared concerns about the mistreatment of black students and shared information about a teacher at an elementary school who bullied and mistreated a 9 year-old student. They requested that this be addressed and resolved quickly by administration Ms. Huntly also expressed concerns about a board member’s treatment of Ms. Pryor.

Joel Boyd shared his expectations of public officials and that they should refrain from using divisive and inflammatory language and dialogue. Mr. Boyd expressed concerns about a presentation about the disproportionate discipline of black children that was shared at a special board meeting. The data that was shared indicated a decline in suspensions and Mr. Boyd requested additional information. Mr. Boyd shared his respect for Board members but because of comments made in public, he felt the need to respond in public. Mr. Boyd commended Trustee Forcina, for everything he’s done in the district and requested that they meet to discuss the line of questioning he had on characterizing the School Board.

Susan Swanson shared concerns about issues that continue to be readdressed and the financial impact it has on the District. Ms. Swanson requested that the cost be accounted for and shared publicly.

Carla Alston informed the Board that her son is no longer enrolled at Helen Carr Castello Elementary School. Ms. Alston shared concerns about her son’s disability not being recognized

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by the school, the lack of assistance she received from the principal, and she provided information about her son being verbally and mentally assaulted by staff. Ms. Alston requested help and resolution.

Heidi Moore spoke of the issues she has had with district officials, school administration and staff members at Pleasant Grove High School. Ms. Moore informed the Board that her daughter was treated poorly by site staff and that she and her daughter's complaint was ignored by the principal and by Human Resources.

Wesley Braymer, Brandon Morgan, Survi Parvatiyar, Andi Mederos, Mireya, Amanda Beadles, Makayla Okamoto, Becky Ocamoto, Marissa Bitcon, Sharon Wilson, Dustin Noble, Diana Welsh, Courtney Arozen, Peter Mendoza, David Phommavong, Antonio Ferraro, and Jenci Ferraro commented on Mr. Reilly's presentation, shared their concerns about the downsizing of the inclusion specialists, the elimination of the inclusion program and the effects it has had on students and staff.

Heidi Moore addressed Consent Agenda Item No. 19 - Approval of 2022 High School Comprehensive Sexual Health Curriculum Adoption. She expressed her concerns about the curriculum and asked for the number of google forms received from the community.

VI. Consent Agenda – Action

Prior to the vote, item 6 was pulled by Mr. Perez for discussion and item 19 was pulled by Mr. Forcina for discussion.

Motion No. 28, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Perez, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that item no. 6 be pulled and be brought back to the next board meeting. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

Motion No. 29, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that items 1 thru 20, except for item 6 on the consent agenda be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

1. **Approval of Resolution No. 23, Authorizing the Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Consistent with the Sacramento County Public Health Department's Recommendations** – Approved Resolution No. 23, regarding AB 361, authorizing the continued use of remote teleconferencing provisions consistent with the Sacramento County Public Health Department's recommendations, AB 361 and Government Code section 54953, when necessary, consistent with current COVID-19-related Sacramento County Public Health Department safety protocols and quarantine guidelines.
2. **Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
3. **Certificated Substitute Compensation Rates** – Approved a certificated substitute compensation rate to expand the district's substitute pool and to provide an incentive for our retired fully credentialed teachers and off-track teachers to substitute for the district.

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4. **Certification of Administrator's Competence to Evaluate** – Granted Certification of Administrator's Competence to Evaluate to Jennifer Hubbard, a newly-hired district administrator who has successfully completed the District's training process.
5. **Revised Job Descriptions** – Approved the revised job descriptions for the following positions: Assessment & Evaluation Technician I, II and III, Computer Training and Support Specialist I, II and III, Data Archive Technician II, Health Assistant–Special Education, Scheduling Technician–Maintenance & Operations, Senior Computer Training and Support Specialist, Technology Integration Support Specialist, Textbook Assistant-Education Center, Theater Productions Specialist, and Theater Technician.
6. **Consolidated Application, Spring Data Collection** – *Item pulled and will be brought back to a future board meeting.*
7. **Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the district's schools/programs as submitted.
8. **Warrant Register No. 2 All Funds: August 1, 2022, through August 31, 2022** – Approved Warrant Register No. 2 – Warrant Numbers 103991 – 105606, 430577 – 432135.
9. **Ratification of Contracts, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU's) and Agreements for Services** – Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.
10. **Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** – Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
11. **Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from August 25, 2022 – September 7, 2022.
12. **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.
13. **Approval to Purchase Cardlock Fuel** – Authorized the purchase of Cardlock Fuel as needed cooperatively through Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Contract #1920029.
14. **Approval to Award RFP #741-22/23 – Targeted Digital Marketing – Employee Recruitment/Student Enrollment & Retention** – Authorized the award of RFP #741-22/23 – Targeted Digital Marketing Recruitment/Student Enrollment & Retention.
15. **Elk Grove High School, JV Baseball Backstop Replacement Award of Contract** – Approved the award of contract to Frontline General Engineering Construction for the total base bid of \$395,733.00. Authorized administration to sign all documents and contracts pertaining to this work, and authorized administration to proceed with the next lowest responsible bidder should a fully endorsed contract with the low bidder, accompanied by certification of the necessary bonds, not be obtained.
16. **Sheldon High School, Fire Damage Restoration at Building L Award of Contract** – Approved the award of contract to REM Construction, Inc., for the total base bid of \$2,784,057.00. Authorized administration to sign all documents and contracts pertaining to this work, and authorized administration to proceed with the next lowest responsible bidder

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should a fully endorsed contract with the low bidder, accompanied by certification of the necessary bonds, not be obtained.

- 17. **Virtual Academy, Interior Upgrades 2022 Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Design Build, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 consists of one (1) item and changes the base bid amount of \$178,000.00 by \$3,898.46 to \$181,898.46.
- 18. **Virtual Academy, Interior Upgrades 2022 Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the Virtual Academy, Interior Upgrades 2022 project, and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 19. **Approval of 2022 High School Comprehensive Sexual Health Curriculum Adoption** – Adopted the High School Comprehensive Sexual Health Curriculum.
- 20. **Out of State Field Trips** – Approved the out-of-state field trips listed below:

High School	Field Trip Destination	Field Trip Purpose	Dates of Trip
Monterey Trail	Las Vegas, NV	Tarkarian Classic Basketball Tournament	December 19-22, 2022
Pleasant Grove	Reno, NV	Sierra Nevada Classic Wrestling Tournament	December 27-29, 2022
Pleasant Grove	Indianapolis, IN	National FFA Conference	October 25-29, 2022

VII. LCAP Update – None

VIII. Race and Educational Equity - None

IX. Budget Update – None

X. Facilities Update - None

XI. Bargaining Units – Diane Campbell, AFSCME President, shared that they are going to be introducing sunshine items and that their team is looking forward to productive discussions about the comp study and moral. Ms. Campbell shared that she’s concerned about the end of ESSER funds because it affects a lot of her members and the shortage of staff in her unit.

Board president Martinez-Alire called for a break at 8:26 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 8:35 p.m.

XII. Reports

- 1. **Inclusive Education Services Update** – The Board of Education received a report on Special Education inclusive education services. The presentation included information on the recent changes to inclusive services, the reasoning behind these changes, how these recent changes will impact students, staff and families, as well as future considerations related to inclusive services.

Board members provided feedback and requested a monthly progress report to reassess and reevaluate the program moving forward.

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9:58 p.m. – Motion No. 29, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the meeting be extended by an hour. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

10:55 p.m. – Motion No. 30, 2022-23 – 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 by an hour. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

XIII. Public Hearing/Action Items

- 1. Consideration and Public Notice of AFSCME's Initial "Sunshine" Proposal to the District regarding Collective Bargaining for 2022-2023** – After the presentation, Dr. Martinez-Alire opened the public hearing and there were no public comments related to this item. Dr. Martinez closed the public hearing.

Motion No. 31, 2022-23 – Motion by Ms. Jamerson, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that AFSCME's initial proposal to the District regarding collective bargaining for 2022-23 be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

- 2. Consideration and Public Notice of Elk Grove Unified School District's Initial Proposal to Elk Grove Education Association (EGEA) Regarding Collective Bargaining for 2022-2023 School Year** – After the presentation, Dr. Martinez-Alire opened the public hearing and there were no public comments related to this item. Dr. Martinez closed the public hearing.

Motion No. 32, 2022-23 – Motion by Ms. Jamerson, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the District's initial proposal to EGEA regarding collective bargaining for the 2022-23 school year be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

- 3. Consideration and Public Notice of Elk Grove Unified School District's Initial Proposal to Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 256, Regarding Collective Bargaining for the 2022-2023 School Year** – After the presentation, Dr. Martinez-Alire opened the public hearing and there were no public comments related to this item. Dr. Martinez closed the public hearing.

Motion No. 33, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Perez, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the District's initial proposal to ATU, Local 256, regarding collective bargaining for the 2022-23 school year be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

XIV. Discussion Items – None

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XV. Action Items

- 1. Resolution for Readopting and Increasing the 2021-22 Gann Limit and Adopting the 2022-23 Gann Limit** – Motion No. 34, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. 22, which recalculates and increases the 2021-22 Gann limit and establishes the 2022-23 estimated Gann limit be approved. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Forcina, Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

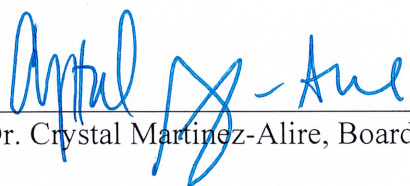
- 2. 2022-23 Budget Update and 2021-22 Unaudited Actual Income and Expenditures** – Motion No. 35, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried by an affirmative vote of Board members present that the 2022-23 unaudited actual income and expenditures state financial reports. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Trach (student board member), Jamerson, Martinez-Alire, Perez and Yang; Nays – Forcina; Absent – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza*

XVI. Board Member and Superintendent Reports – The Superintendent reported on organization and committee meetings and information relative to the district and its operation and announced that tonight will be Ms. Soriano’s last board meeting.

XVII. Consideration of Future Agenda Items - None

XVIII. Adjournment – 11:40 p.m.

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: 
Dr. Crystal Martinez-Alire, Board President