

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, February 7, 2023**

*Adopted*

**Members Present:** Nancy Chaires Espinoza, President; Gina Jamerson, Clerk; Beth Albiani, Anthony Perez, Michael Vargas, Sean Yang; Absent: Carmine Forcina and Oliver Trach, Student Board Member

**Others Present:** Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent; Mark Cerutti and Kristen Coates, Deputy Superintendents; David Reilly, Associate Superintendent; Bindy Grewal, Assistant Superintendent; Chad Sweitzer, Assistant Superintendent; Amreek Singh, Chief Human Resources Officer; Steve Mate, Chief Technology Officer; Shannon Hayes, Chief Financial Officer; Jenifer Avey and Lisa Levasseur, Executive Directors

**CLOSED SESSION:** The meeting was called to order at p.m. to address items 1 through 4 on the closed session portion of the agenda.

**I. Government Code Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d) Paragraph (1):** Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

**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, Karen Rezendes  
David Reilly, Amreek Singh, Mark Cerutti, Kristen Coates, Shannon Hayes

Employee Organizations: All Elk Grove Unified School District  
Bargaining Units and Unrepresented Employees

**IV. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title:  
Superintendent

**OPEN SESSION:** Ms. Chaires Espinoza called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session and no action was taken.

Ms. Chaires Espinoza 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](http://www.youtube.com/user/elkgroveunified)

**I. Pledge of Allegiance** – Kym and Louis Brown were recognized by the Board of Education for their contributions to the students, staff and community of Pleasant Grove High School.

**II. Presentations/Recognitions**

**1. High School Student Representative Reports – Florin, Pleasant Grove, and Rio Cazadero High Schools** – Students from Florin, Pleasant Grove and Rio Cazadero High Schools reported on academics and activities at their schools.

**2. Athletic Recognition of Fall CIF Champions** – The Board of Education recognized the Pleasant Grove High School Women's Golf Team for winning the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section, Division I Championship and the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Masters Championship.

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**III. Resolutions**

- 1. Recognition of School Counseling Week** – Motion No. 83, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 47, recognizing February 6-10, 2023, as National School Counseling Week be adopted. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Jamerson, Perez, Vargas and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina, Trach (Student Board Member)*
- 2. World Rare Disease Day** – Motion No. 84, 2022-23, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 53 recognizing February 28, 2023, as World Rare Disease Day be adopted. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Jamerson, Perez, Vargas and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina, Trach (Student Board Member)*
- 3. National Nutrition Month** – Motion No. 85, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Vargas and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 48, designating the month of March as National Nutrition Month be adopted. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Jamerson, Perez, Vargas and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina, Trach (Student Board Member)*

**IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations – None**

**V. Public Comment**

Antonio Ferraro expressed his appreciation for the meeting with Mr. Reilly and the Special Education team and the opportunity to provide feedback. Mr. Ferraro shared his concerns about the survey results and the current structure.

Laurie Bocci shared her concerns about the required EPOCH trainings being held after work hours and that she would have preferred that the trainings be offered as a preservice day or with Hour Zero. She also indicated that not enough information has been shared about the trainings.

Eric Tiffany, Lidsey Townsend, Nicole Strange, Baily Akura, Aisha Barfield, Richard Padilla, Chris Lewis, Gary Lewis, Krista Delizo, Stephanie Barrientos, Alfred Shaw, Erykah Lewis, Jitaun Jones, Javelle Ford, Dawn Wirick, Genene Dugay, shared their concerns about their individual classified positions, vacant positions that can't be filled, the extra work, the low pay, and requested higher wages.

Jencie Ferraro, Courtney Arozena, Brandon Morgan, Dustin Noble requested that the inclusion program and specialists be reinstated, that data be presented at a future board meeting and that the Equity and FACE Department be provided with funding for someone to represent those who live life with a disability.

Christine Strother requested that the graduation policy be revisited to allow students who are short 10 units to graduate be allowed to walk the stage.

Loreen Pryor, Lisa Stanley and Exquisite Hundley shared concerns about situations that black students face at school and the treatment of black students and their families.

*Ms. Chaires Espinoza called for a break at 7:51 pm and called the meeting back to order at 8:03 pm.*

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**VI. Consent Agenda – Action**

Motion No. 86, 2022-23, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Vargas and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that items 1 through 24, on the consent agenda be approved. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Jamerson, Perez, Vargas and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Forcina, Trach (Student Board Member)*

- 1. Approval of Resolution No. 54, Authorizing the Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Consistent with the Sacramento County Public Health Department’s Recommendations** – Approved Resolution No. 54, 2022-23, 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. AFSCME Reclassification and Salary Amendment** – Approved AFSCME reclassification requests and amending the AFSCME Salary Schedule 21.
- 4. Williams Act Quarterly Report Notification** – Received the second quarter report on the Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedure for the period of October 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.
- 5. Certification of Administrator’s Competence to Evaluate** – Granted Certification of Administrator’s Competence to Evaluate to the following newly-hired district administrators who have successfully completed the District’s training process; Angela Wardlaw, Franklin Elementary School and Kimberly Moore, Adult Education.
- 6. Monterey Trail High School Alumni Scholarship** – Approved the MTHS Alumni Scholarship. Up to five scholarships ranging from \$500-\$2,500 for the school year; made payable to the institution of higher learning that the student enrolls in after graduation from Monterey Trail High School. Pending available funds scholarship will be awarded to five scholarships in the following amounts, with a combined total not to exceed \$7,500.
- 7. Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the district’s schools/programs as submitted.
- 8. Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** – Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
- 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. Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from December 22, 2022 – January 23, 2023.
- 11. Approval of Purchase Order History** – Approved purchase orders for the weeks of December 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

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- 12. Resolution Authorizing the Signing of Contracts and Agreements** – Approved Resolution No. 49, 2022-2023, authorizing district staff to: sign agreements, contracts, and other documents as outlined in this resolution, and to make decisions involving unforeseen circumstances or issues on behalf of the Board of Education on projects funded by the State Allocation Board and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- 13. Approval to Purchase Furniture** – Authorized the Purchasing Department to purchase furniture cooperatively through a bid secured by the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE). Vendor: School Specialty, Inc.
- 14. Approval to Purchase Facility MRO, Industrial, & Building Supplies and Equipment** – Authorized the Purchasing Department to purchase furniture cooperatively through a bid secured by the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE). Vendor: Fastenal Company
- 15. Approval to Purchase Arts, Crafts, Framing and Related Services** – Authorized the Purchasing Department to purchase arts, crafts, framing and related services cooperatively through an RFP secured by Harford County Public Schools. Vendor: Michael’s Stores, Inc.
- 16. Approval to Purchase Hewlett-Packard Computer Equipment: Desktops, Laptops, Tablets, and Related Peripherals** – Authorized the Purchasing Department to purchase Hewlett-Packard (HP) computer equipment: desktops, laptops, tablets, and related peripherals cooperatively through an RFP secured by NASPO contract #MNNVP-133. Vendor: HP Inc
- 17. Approval to Purchase Maintenance, Repair and Operations Supplies** – Authorized the Purchasing Department to purchase maintenance, repair and operations (MRO) supplies cooperatively through an RFP secured by Region 4 ESC/OMNIA Partners. Vendor: Lowe’s Home Centers, Inc.
- 18. Approval of Authorization to Utilize CMAS Contract 3-18-84-0054D/General Services Administration (GSA) Contract #37QSWA18D003K, Schedule 84 for Security Products, Services, and Solutions with ICU Technologies, Inc.** – Approved authorization to utilize CMAS Contract 3-18-84-0054D/General Services Administration (GSA) Contract #47QSWA18D003K, Schedule 84 for security products, services, and solutions with ICU Technologies, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign and approve these services.
- 19. Disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property** – Authorized the disposal of various obsolete/surplus property as submitted. 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.
- 20. Replacement of Walk-In Cooler at Various Sites Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Mesa Energy Systems, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 consists of two (2) items and changes the contract amount of \$434,093.00 by \$27,847.18 to \$461,940.18.
- 21. Approval for the Maintenance & Operations Department to enter into a Purchase Agreement for one (1) Dump Truck** – Authorized the purchase of one (1) 2022 International CV Dump Truck through Riverview International Trucks, LLC. State Contract Number: 1-22-23-20i, Board Approved May 17, 2022. This vehicle is a replacement for vehicle number 157TM, a 1991 International 4900 Dump Truck with 194,990 miles.

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**22. Approval to Dispose of Multiple Pallets of Hand Sanitizer** – Authorized the Purchasing Department to contract with a hazardous waste hauler to dispose of multiple pallets of hand sanitizer due to it being past its expiration date.

**23. Out-of-State Field Trips** – Approved the following out-of-state field trips:

School	Destination	Field Trip Purpose	Dates of Trip
Pleasant Grove HS	Scottsdale, AZ	Robotics Competition	March 15-19, 2023
Toby Johnson MS	Washington, D.C.	Cyber Patriot Na Competition	March 17-21, 2023
Pleasant Grove HS	Ashland, OR	Oregon Shakespeare Festival	April 26-29, 2023

**24. Golden One Center Contract for 2022-23 High School Graduations** – Approved the contract in the amount of \$200,000.00 with the Golden 1 Center for the 2023 comprehensive high school graduations.

2023 High School Graduation Schedule

Date	School	Time
Monday, May 22, 2023	Monterey Trail High School	11:00 a.m.
Monday, May 22, 2023	Elk Grove High School	3:00 p.m.
Monday, May 22, 2023	Laguna Creek High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 23, 2023	Florin High School	11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 23, 2023	Valley High School	3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 23, 2023	Pleasant Grove High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 24, 2023	Sheldon High School	11:00 a.m.
Wednesday, May 24, 2023	Cosumnes Oaks High School	3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 24, 2023	Franklin High School	7:00 p.m.

**VII. LCAP Update – None**

**VIII. Race and Educational Equity – None**

**IX. Budget Update**

**1. 2023-24 Governor's January Budget Proposal** – Shannon Hayes shared a report provided by School Services of California outlining the 2023-24 Governor’s January Budget proposal and the impact on K-12 Education.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Ms. Hayes for the information.

**X. Facilities Update – None**

**XI. Bargaining Units** – Diane Campbell, president of AFSCME, thanked the Board for taking the time to listen to her members’ concerns.

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**XII. Reports – None**

**XIII. Public Hearing/Action Items – None**

**XIV. Discussion Items**

- 1. Restorative Practices Implementation Plan** – In response to the Request for Proposal (RFP #735-22/23) issued June 10, 2022, Lisa Levasseur and staff provided a presentation which outlined the Restorative Equity Partnership, LLC implementation plan for Elk Grove Unified School District.

Board members provided feedback and thanked staff for the update.

**XV. Action Items – None**


**XVI. Board Member and Superintendent Reports – None**

**XVII. Consideration of Future Agenda Items – None**

**XVIII. Adjournment – 9:40 p.m.**

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by:

  
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Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Board President