

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, February 21, 2023

*Adopted*

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

**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; Jenifer Avey and Lisa Levasseur, Executive Directors; Shannon Hayes, Chief Financial Officer

**CLOSED SESSION:** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. to address items 1 and 2 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, 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

**OPEN SESSION:** Ms. Chaires Espinoza called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.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** – Amy Jacobsen led the pledge of allegiance and was recognized by the Board of Education for her contributions at Elk Grove High School.

## **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 academics and activities at their schools.

## **III. Resolutions**

**1. Women's History Month** – Motion No. 87, 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. 59, designating March 2023, as Women's History Month be adopted. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*

**2. Arts Education Month** – Motion No. 88, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 55, designating March 2023 as Arts Education Month be adopted. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*

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3. **National School Social Work Week** – Motion No. 89, 2022-23, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 57 recognizing March 5-11, 2023, as National School Social Work Week be adopted. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*
4. **Social Emotional Learning Day** – Motion No. 90, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 58, recognizing Friday, March 10, 2023, as Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Day be adopted. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*
5. **Disability Awareness Month** – Motion No. 91, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 54, designating the month of March as Disability Awareness Month. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*

### IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations

1. **Request for Student Expulsions** – Motion No. 92, 2022-23, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Jamerson 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 – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*
2. **Request for Return from Student Expulsion** – Motion No. 93, 2022-23, Motion by Ms. Jamerson, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the Readmission Committee’s recommendations regarding a student’s request for permission to return to the District be approved. *Roll call vote: Ayes – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*

### V. Public Comment

Jennifer Arellano addressed the bullying and harassment that her daughter has experienced at school. She shared her concerns for her daughter’s safety and her displeasure with the way the situation has been handled by school staff and police services.

Brandon Morgan expressed his concerns about students with disabilities and how the removal of programs and service providers have affected these students.

Shann Juhall, Mandeep Singh, shared information about the Sikh Honors Society and its current events and high participation rate. Mr. Singh would like to see the club expand into elementary schools.

Dustin Nobel requested a presentation at a future board meeting that includes information about the plan for the inclusion program, student and staff data and information about the plan for the new school year.

Lisa Stanley, Lorreen Pryor, Exquisite Hundly expressed their frustration and concerns about the mistreatment of black students and families at school and in their classrooms.

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**VI. Consent Agenda – Action**

Prior to the vote Mr. Perez pulled items 10 and 11 for discussion/approval.

Motion No. 94, 2022-23, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that items 1 – 32, except for items 10 and 11, on the consent agenda be approved. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*

Motion No. 95, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that items 10 and 11, on the consent agenda be approved. *Roll call vote: Ayes –Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargas*

- 1. Approval of Minutes** – Approved the minutes from the regular board meetings that were held on December 13, 2022, and on January 10, 2023.
- 2. Approval of 2023-24 Board Meeting Dates** – Approved the board meeting schedule for the 2023-24 school year.
- 3. Resolution Regarding Board Member Absence** – Approved Resolution No. 60, 2022-23, authorizing payment of the monthly compensation to Carmine Forcina for a meeting missed on February 7, 2023, due to illness.
- 4. Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 5. Resolution of Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees** – Adopted Resolution No. 50, 2022-23 authorizing the Governing Board to non-reelect Probationary certificated employees. (Education Code Section 44929.1)
- 6. Release and Non-Reemployment of Long-Term Substitute and Temporary Certificated Employees** – Adopted Resolution No. 51, 2022-23 authorizing the Governing Board to release and non-reemploy Long-Term Substitute and Temporary certificated staff.
- 7. Resolution to Eliminate Classified Positions** – Adopted Resolution No. 63 for school year 2022-2023, authorizing the Governing Board to eliminate classified positions due to lack of work/lack of funds pursuant to Education Code Sections 45114, 45298, 45308, and 45117.
- 8. Resolution to Eliminate Classified Positions** – Adopted Resolution No. 61 for school year 2022-2023, authorizing the Governing Board to eliminate classified positions due to lack of work/lack of funds pursuant to Education Code Sections 45114, 45298, 45308, and 45117.
- 9. Resolution to Eliminate Classified Positions** – Adopted Resolution No. 62 for school year 2022-2023, authorizing the Governing Board to eliminate classified positions due to lack of work/lack of funds pursuant to Education Code Sections 45114, 45298, 45308, and 45117.
- 10. 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; Brian Brink, Samuel Kennedy Elementary School, Daniel Laine, Valley High School and Dominique Parke, Edward Harris, Jr. Middle School

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- 11. Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** – Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
- 12. 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.
- 13. Quarterly Investment Report** – Received a quarterly report of investments. As of December 31, 2022, the District has \$413,147,009 from all funds, in addition Mello-Roos Investment proceeds of \$10,267,952 and General Obligation Bond Investment proceeds of \$82,528,616 for a total of \$505,943,577 in the County Treasurer’s pool. This is 7.56% of the total county pooled assets of \$6,692,148,583.
- 14. Warrant Register No. 7** – Approved Warrant Register No. 7 – Warrant Numbers 111577 – 113086, 436154 – 437437. All Funds: January 1, 2023, through January 31, 2023.
- 15. Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from January 24, 2023 – February 07, 2023.
- 16. Approval of Purchase Order History** – Approved purchase orders for the weeks of January 1, 2023, through January 31, 2023.
- 17. 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.
- 18. Approval to Purchase a Cargo Van** – Authorized Food & Nutrition Services Department to purchase a cargo van. This is a used 2020 GMC Savana Cargo Van, from Dublin Buick/GMC that will cost \$41,200.01 and has an odometer of 15,765 miles that will allow FNS to replace a 1996 cargo van that is past the end of its life span.
- 19. Approval to Purchase Cafeteria Tables/Furniture** – Authorized the purchase of cafeteria tables/furniture cooperatively through an RFP secured by Omnia Partners Region 4 ESC.
- 20. Approval to Purchase Grounds Maintenance Equipment, Parts, Accessories, and Supplies** – Authorized the purchase of grounds keeping, golf, and sports field maintenance equipment cooperatively through an RFP secured by National IPA.
- 21. Approval of Authorization to Utilize CMAS Contract 4-22-06-1031/Base Sourcewell Contract #010521-SFS, for Non-Information Technology Commodities, with sofSURFACES, Inc.** – Approved authorization to utilize CMAS 4-22-06-1031/Base Sourcewell Contract #010521-SFS, for Non-Information Technology Commodities, with sofSURFACES, Inc., to install new fall material at the Florence Markofer and David Reese Elementary Schools’ Pre-K playgrounds. and authorize a district representative to sign and approve these services.
- 22. Elk Grove High School, Phase 4 – Increment#3 – Building N & Sitework Improvements and the New CTE Agricultural Laboratory Building Lease-Leaseback Agreement Amendment** – Approved a Lease-Leaseback Amendment with FLINT for the Elk Grove High School Modernization Project (“Project”); and approved a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of \$54,574,863.00 for Phase 4 of the Modernization Project which consists of the construction of Building N (classrooms and administration), sitework, and the new CTE Agricultural Laboratory Building.

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**23. Elk Grove Elementary School, Roofing 2023 Award of Contract** – Approved the award of contract to California Single Ply, Inc., for the total base bid of \$119,850.00. 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.

**24. Sheldon High School, Roofing 2023 Award of Contract** – Approved the award of contract to Clark Roofing, Inc., for the total base bid of \$194,500.00. 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.

**25. Instructional Materials Adoption** – Adopted the following instructional materials:

**Basic**

Heating and Cooling Essentials, (Mechanical Systems Installation and Repair, CTE, Grades 11-12) [This digital basic instructional materials will be paid for by CTE.]

Child Development, (Child Development, Grades 11-12) [This basic instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

iLit ELL, (Designated ELD, Grades 7-12) [This basic instructional material will be paid for using EGUSD Instructional funds.]

Get Ready!, (Designated ELD, Grades 7-12) [This basic instructional material will be paid for using EGUSD Instructional funds.]

**Supplemental**

Frax Math, (Math, Grades K-6) [This supplemental digital instructional material will be paid for using site funds.]

Future Forward: Understanding the Risks Preventing Youth Marijuana Use (Health/Phys Ed/6th Grade, Grades 6-12) [This supplemental instructional material is a free resource.]

**26. Revisions to High School Courses** – Approved revisions to the following high school courses:

IB Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations SL 1 (Course #20084) - It is requested that the course description and prerequisite are revised.

Financial Literacy (Course #17363) - It is requested that the grade level is revised.

Mathematics III (Course #03035) - It is requested that the prerequisite be revised and the grade level changed.

Mathematics III Honors (Course #03036) - It is requested that the prerequisite be revised.

Mathematics III (non a-g) (Course #03043) - It is requested that the prerequisite be revised.

Mathematics III A, Part 1 (Course #03135) - It is requested that the prerequisite be revised.

Mathematics III A, Part 1 (non a-g eligible) (Course #03139) - It is requested that the prerequisite be revised.

Mathematics III A, Part 1 (Course #17333) - It is requested that the prerequisite be revised.

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Mathematics Foundations I (Course #17337) - It is requested that the course description be revised.

Mathematics Foundations II (Course #17338) - It is requested that the course description be revised.

Mathematics Foundations III (Course #17339) - It is requested that the course description be revised.

- 27. K-6 Mathematics Instructional Materials Adoption** – Adopted the following instructional materials for mathematics in grades K-6 to replace the previously adopted materials from 2012. *enVision Mathematics K-5 2020 and enVision Mathematics 6-8 2021*, (Mathematics, Gr K-6)
- 28. Approval to Award Request for Proposal (RFP) #748-22-23-WAN/Internet Connectivity** – Authorized the award of #748-22-23 for WAN/Internet Connectivity to Comcast Business Communications, LLC.
- 29. Approval to Award Request for Proposal (RFP) #747-22-23-Network Equipment and Installation** – Authorized the award of RFP #747-22-23 for Network Equipment and Installation to CDW-G.
- 30. Approval to Award Request for Proposal (RFP) #751-22-23 Leased Lit or Dark Fiber Service** – Authorized the award of #751-22-23 Leased Lit or Dark Fiber Service to Comcast Business Communications, LLC.
- 31. Approval to Award Request for Proposal (RFP) #746-22-23-Firewall Equipment and Installation** – Authorized the award of #746-22-23-Firewall Equipment and Installation to ePlus Technology.
- 32. Approval to Award Request For Proposal (RFP) #750-22-23-Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) Equipment and Installation** – Authorized the award of #750-22-23-Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) Equipment and Installation to CDW-G.

### VII. LCAP Update

- 1. 2022-23 LCAP Needs Analysis Survey Results** – Mark Cerutti, provided the Board with a presentation on the results of the 2022-23 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Needs Analysis Survey. The 2022-23 LCAP Needs Analysis Survey is an important step in the meaningful engagement of educational partners in the annual LCAP development process. Survey data is used at the site, department, and district-levels to inform program decision-making and support the identification of budget priorities. The 2022-23 LCAP Needs Analysis Survey process occurred during the months from October through November, with 48,832 educational partners participating. Educational partners included teachers, students, parents/families, school site councils, English Learner Advisory Committee members, and leadership teams. The presentation to the Board of Education will provide the results of the survey.

Board members provided feedback and thanked staff for the update.

*Ms. Chaires Espinoza called for a break at 8:20 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 8:30 p.m.*

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

**IX. Budget Update**

- 1. 2023-24 Budget Development** – Shannon Hayes provided the Board of Education with information about budget planning for the upcoming 2023-24 school year. The report delineated 2022-23 available funding, ESSER actions/services identified as funding priorities, along with a timeline in preparation for the March 21, 2023, Special Board Meeting.

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

**X. Facilities Update – None**

**XI. Bargaining Units – None**

**XII. Reports**

- 1. 2023-24 Open Enrollment Results** – Chad Sweitzer provided the Board with a report summarizing the 2023-24 open enrollment requests. On January 24, 2023, the Board took action and approved the list of schools available to accept open enrollment transfers, the list of schools that would be capped at 100 net gain of students, the open enrollment timeline, and established that no more than 5% of any school's students be allowed to transfer to another school through open enrollment for the 2023-24 school year.

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

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

**XIV. Discussion Items**

- 1. Board Meeting Protocol Recommendation** – Superintendent Hoffman provided the Board with information about recent legislation related to the Brown Act and asked the Board to consider and develop a new set of protocols for running future meetings of the Board of Education. The majority of the Board agreed with the recommended protocol to return to traditional Brown Act:

- Include public comments at the time an agenda item is heard by the Board
- Roll call votes are not required, if all board members are physically present for the board meeting
- Continue audio and visual broadcast of board meeting
- Limited options for board members to remotely attend board meetings

**XV. Action Items**

- 1. 2023 California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Election** – Motion No. 96, 2022-23, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the delegates to Subregion 6-B, Delegate Assembly Election be voted for Kara Lofthouse (Folsom Cordova USD) and Cindy Quiralte (Natomas USD) *Roll call vote: Ayes – Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Perez, and Yang; Nays – None; Absent – Vargasa*

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

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

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**XVIII. Adjournment** – 9:43 p.m.

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: *Nancy Chaires Espinoza*  
Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Board President