

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, March 21, 2023

Adopted

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

Others Present: Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent; Mark Cerutti and Kristen Coates, Deputy Superintendents; David Reilly, Associate 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

OPEN SESSION: Ms. Chaires Espinoza called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. in the boardroom of the Education Center.

Ms. Chaires Espinoza provided a welcome and announced that 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 – Ms. Shannon Hayes, Chief Financial Officer, led the pledge of allegiance.

II. Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) and Priority Process – Ms. Shannon Hayes, Superintendent Hoffman, Staff and the Board of Education engaged in conversations regarding strategies on how to expend the remaining ESSER funding and reviewed what is currently funded for the remainder of the 2022/23 school year and 2023/24 school years.

Board members provided input on the use of other one-time funding to carry forward the costs of personnel and other actions/services currently funded with ESSER funds that will expire 6/30/2024.

Ms. Chaires Espinoza called for a break at 10:53 a.m. and called the meeting back to order at 11:05 a.m.

III. Facilities Update – Dr. Kristen Coates and Susan Bell updated the Board of the District's Facilities Master Plan, Measure M, and relevant local and statewide facilities issues and needs. The facilities update included a recap of facilities projects pre-pandemic to current day and included information about Measure M General Obligation (G.O.) Bond, Facilities Master Plan completed projects and 23-24 proposed projects as well as an update on residential developments, projected enrollment, and future financial needs.

Board members provided feedback.

Oliver Trach, Student Board Member, left the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

IV. United Way March Corporate Community Champion Award – The Board of Education received the United Way March Corporate Community Champion Award. Elk Grove Unified School District, chosen for showing strong support of the region and demonstrating powerful philanthropic work to help solve problems in our communities, has raised a total of \$1,322,020 in employee giving campaigns with the United Way in the past twenty years. Last year, over \$18,000 was raised and 180 scholarships totaling over \$280,000 were awarded to Elk Grove area students.

Ms. Chaires Espinoza called for a break at 1:05 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 1:32 p.m.

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V. Public Hearing/Action Items

- 1. Tentative Agreement Between Elk Grove Unified School District and National Union of Healthcare Workers (NUHW), 2022-23 and 2023-24** – Motion No. 104, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Vargas, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the tentative agreement between Elk Grove Unified School District and the Healthcare Workers for 2022-23 and 2023-24 be approved.
- 2. Tentative Agreement Between Elk Grove Unified School District and Psychologists' and Social Workers' Association (PSWA), 2022-23 & 2023-24** – Motion No. 105, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Vargas, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the tentative agreement between Elk Grove Unified School District and Psychologists' and Social Workers' Association for 2022-23 and 2023-24 be approved.
- 3. Tentative Agreement Between Elk Grove Unified School District and Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 256 (ATU), 2022-23 and 2023-24** – Motion No. 106, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Vargas, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the tentative agreement between Elk Grove Unified School District and Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 256 for 2022-23 and 2023-24 be approved.

VI. Consent Agenda – Action

Public Comments for Item 2:

Daniel Bishop spoke in support of the new sexual health curriculum and urged the Board to approve the item.

Emelina Mendoza, Jacqueline Ortiz, Raul Ortiz, Heidi Moore, Charlotte Rieger, and Kristen Stewart spoke in opposition of the approval of the 5th and 7th grade comprehensive sexual health curriculum and shared their concerns about the content and asked that the item be approved at a later time.

Motion No. 107, 2022-23, Motion by Mr. Vargas, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that item 1 on the consent agenda be approved.

Motion No. 108, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Forcina to postpone item 2 on the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Perez. The motion failed with a 2 – 4 vote. *Voted in favor: Forcina, Perez; Opposed: Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Jamerson, Vargas*

Motion No. 109, 2022-23 – Motion by Mr. Vargas, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried by a 4 – 2 vote of Board members present that Item 2 on the consent agenda be approved. *Voted in favor: Albiani, Chaires Espinoza, Jamerson, Vargas Opposed: Forcina, Perez*

- 1. Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 2. Approval of 5th and 7th Grade Comprehensive Sexual Health Curriculum Adoption** – Adopted the following Comprehensive Sexual Health Curriculum:
Using the [California Healthy Youth Act Curriculum Assessment Tool \(CHYA CAT\)](#) (attached) developed by the Adolescent Sexual Health Work Group in partnership

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with the CA Department of Education, the EGUSD Health Steering Committee reviewed currently adopted and publicly available curriculum to determine compliance with requirements of the California Healthy Youth Act (EC 51930-51939), other pertinent legislative requirements, and the needs of EGUSD students and families. As a result, the committee found that new instructional materials are necessary to provide the mandated instruction.

CLOSED SESSION: At 2:22 p.m., Ms. Chaires Espinoza announced that the Board would meet in closed session to address item 1 on the closed session portion of the agenda and called for public comment on these items; there were no public comments on the following:

I. 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 special board meeting back to order at 2:49 p.m. and announced that the board met in closed session and no action was taken.

Adjournment – 2:49 p.m.

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: 
Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Board President