

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, June 27, 2023

Adopted

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

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

CLOSED SESSION: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. to address items 1 through 4 on the closed session portion of the agenda.

- I. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Appointment/Employment - Management Positions
- II. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint
- III. Government Code Section 54957:** Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title: Superintendent
- IV. Government Code Section 54957.6:** Conference with Labor Negotiators
Agency designated representatives: Christopher R. Hoffman
Unrepresented Employees: Unrepresented Management Employees

OPEN SESSION: Ms. Chaires Espinoza called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session and the following action was taken.

Item III: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Title: Superintendent – During closed session, the Board determined that the Superintendent’s job performance evaluation for the 2022-23 school year was satisfactory. Vote was 6 to 1, *Ayes – Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Vargas and Yang; Nays – Perez; Absent – None*

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 –** Amari Watkins, Chief Financial Officer, led the pledge of allegiance.
- II. Presentations/Recognitions – None**
- III. Resolutions – None**
- IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations – None**
- V. Public Comment**
Kurk Thompson, Ron Owens shared concerns about public comment and requested that the Board remove the inappropriate books from school sites.

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Linda Kennedy, Jess Carlson, Stacey, Sean Tupa, Amanda Heminez, Pastor Amanda Sheldon Park, Paul Smith, Emily Authenreith, Danielle Jollife and Merideth Cooper shared their thoughts and concerns about book censorship, spoke in support of librarians; shared concerns about a small group of parents and their social media page, thanked the Board for providing a safe environment for their children; and asked that parents contact their school librarians to let them know if there are books their children are not to be allowed to check out.

Gandy Reinsch shared a book titled *The Big Bath House* with the Board that is requested to be banned by a small group of parents. Ms. Reinsch shared her concerns about how excerpts have been taken out of context and spoke against book censorship. Ms. Reinsch also shared concerns about a social media page where a community member has posted attacks on librarians and staff.

Dustin Noble thanked the Board for adopting the SELPA plan. Expressed his support for the LGBTQ families and expressed concerns about his group of parents being verbally attacked by the opposing group.

Brandon Morgan expressed his concerns about the term parental rights and its association in the current political agenda.

Aryan Sawant shared his concerns and asked that people stop politicizing his classroom.

VI. Consent Agenda – Action

Motion No. 151, Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried by a 6 to 1 vote of all members present that items 1 thru 17, except for items 3, 6, 8, 13, 17 and 18 on the consent agenda be approved. *Ayes – Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Forcina, Jamerson, Vargas and Yang; Nays – Perez; Absent – None*

Motion No. 152, Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that items 3, 6, 8, 13, 17, and 18 on the consent agenda be approved.

- 1. Approval of Minutes** – Approved the minutes from the regular board meeting that was held on June 13, 2023.
- 2. Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 3. New Job Description - Pre-K Instructor** – Approved the proposed new Pre-K Instructor job description.
- 4. Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the district's schools/programs as submitted.
- 5. Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved donations to the district's schools/programs as submitted.
- 6. Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** – Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
- 7. Ratification of Contracts, Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) and Agreements for Services** – Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312 as submitted.

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- 8. Approval to Extend Award of RFP #744-22/23 – Expanded Learning Opportunities Program** – Authorized the extension of award of RFP #744-22/23 – Expanded Learning Opportunities Program – Miwok Village Elementary to Catalyst Family, Inc.
- 9. Approval to Extend Award of RFP #716-21/22 – After School Program Providers** – Authorized the extension of award of RFP #716-21/22 – After School Program Providers (ASES & 21st CCLC)/Multiple Locations.
- 10. Valley High School, Roofing 2023 Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with PAC Shield Roof Services, Inc. and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 consists of one change to the contract amount of \$554,527.00 by (\$15,479.00) to \$539,048.00.
- 11. Valley High School, Roofing 2023 Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the roofing project at Valley High School, and (2) authorize the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 12. Approval of Authorization to Purchase Pole-Mounted Lighting Fixtures for Athletic Fields** – Authorized the purchase of pole-mounted lighting fixtures to the athletic fields (track and football field areas) at each of the 5 high school sites utilizing Sourcewell Contract #071619-MSL, with Musco Sports Lighting, LLC, and authorized a district representative to sign and approve these services.
- 13. Elk Grove Unified School District’s Annual Service Delivery/Budget Plan for Special Education** – Approved the 2023-2024 Elk Grove Unified School District Annual Service Delivery/Budget Plan for Special Education.
- 14. A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan** – Approved the EGUSD A-G Completion Improvement Grant plan.
- 15. A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan for Elk Grove Charter** – Approved the Elk Grove Charter A-G Completion Improvement Grant plan.
- 16. Sacramento Employment and Training Agency (SETA) Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Title 1 Youth Program** – Approved Resolution No. 93, for Elk Grove Adult and Community Education’s (EGACE) acceptance of the SETA Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Title 1 Grant funds.
- 17. Memorandum of Understanding between Bartholomew & Associates and Elk Grove Unified School District** – Approved the renewal of the agreement between Bartholomew & Associates and EGUSD authorizing Elk Grove Adult and Community Education to rent instructional space from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.
- 18. Sacramento County Office of Education Agreement Renewal** – Approved the renewal of the agreement between the fiscal agent Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE), the Capital Adult Education Regional Consortium (CAERC) and Elk Grove Adult and Community Education (EGACE).

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VII. LCAP Update

1. LCAP Local Indicators for Elk Grove Unified School District

The Board of Education received a summary of the District's LCAP local indicators that were considered, in conjunction with other LCAP metrics and stakeholder feedback, in the development of the District's 2021-22 to 2023-24 LCAP.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Mr. Cerutti and staff for the update.

At 8:11 p.m. Board President Chaires Espinoza called for a break and called the meeting back to order at 8:21 p.m.

2. LCAP Local Indicators for Elk Grove Charter School

The Board of Education received a summary of the Elk Grove Charter School's LCAP local indicators and assessments of each's performance on meeting local indicator standards, which will be publicly posted in the California School Dashboard.

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

VIII. Race and Educational Equity – None

IX. Budget Update – None

X. Facilities Update – None

XI. Bargaining Units – Outgoing EGEA President Rick Stancil introduced newly elected EGEA President, James Sutter, and newly elected EGEA Vice President, Alison Wuss.

XII. Reports

1. Student Board Member Final Report

The Board received a final report from Student Board Member Oliver Trach regarding his experiences during the 2022-23 school year. The EGUSD Board of Education has placed a high priority on increasingly engaging students and leveraging student voice in input, feedback and decision-making opportunities. The seating of a Student Board Member Oliver Trach during the 2022-23 school year is in direct alignment with this priority.

Part of Mr. Trach's responsibilities as a student board member is to represent the students in the Elk Grove Unified School District. The Board received a final report from Student Board Member Trach to learn about the information he received as he solicited feedback from students in our district. In addition, Mr. Trach shared his recommendations and considerations for future student board members.

Board members thanked Mr. Trach and wished him well on his future endeavors.

XIII. Public Hearing/Action Items – None

XIV. Discussion Items

1. Measure M and Community Facilities District No. 1 Bond Sale Results

The Board received an informational presentation from the District's public finance consultant, Government Financial Services Joint Powers Authority, regarding the results of these bond sales. The Board previously received a presentation at the May 2, 2023,

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meeting with an update on funding the Facilities Master Plan with Measure M and Community Facilities No. 1. The Board subsequently approved proceeding with the Measure M bond sale on May 16th, and the bonds were then sold on May 31st pursuant to a competitive bid process. The Board also later approved proceeding with two Community Facilities No. 1 bond sales on June 13th. One Community Facilities No. 1 bond sale was to provide funds for facilities, and the second bond sale was to refinance prior bonds issued in 2012 (if a minimum savings threshold could be achieved).

After the presentation, Board members provided feedback and thanked Ms. Lori Raineri for the presentation.

2. **Adjustment to School Facilities Fees (Developer Fees)**

The Board received information regarding the May 2023 School Facilities Needs Analysis. This item will be brought back for public hearing and adoption at the July 18, 2023, regular board meeting.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Dr. Coates for the information.

9:53 p.m. Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that the meeting be extended to 10:30 p.m.

XV. Action Items

1. **Approval of Elk Grove Unified School District's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) - Motion No. 153, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that the Elk Grove Unified School District's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the 2023-24 year be approved.**
2. **Approval of Elk Grove Charter's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) - Motion No. 154, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Ms. Jamerson and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that the Elk Grove Charter's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the 2023-24 year be approved.**
3. **2023-24 Adopted Budget - Motion No. 155, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that the 2023-24 Adopted Budget as presented on June 13, 2023, be approved.**
4. **CFD No. 1 Special Tax Bonds (Election of 1998), Series 2023 Bonds: Consideration of a Resolution prescribing the terms, conditions, and form of \$35,000,000 principal amount of the Elk Grove Unified School District Community Facilities District No. 1 Special Tax Bonds (Election of 1998), Series 2023 (Seventh Supplemental Resolution) - Motion No. 156, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that Resolution No. 95, prescribing the terms, conditions, and form of the Series 2023 Bonds be adopted.**
5. **CFD No. 1 Special Tax Bonds (Election of 1998), 2023 Refunding Bonds: Consideration of a Resolution prescribing the terms, conditions, and form of \$59,370,000 principal amount of the Elk Grove Unified School District Community Facilities District No. 1 Special Tax Bonds (Election of 1998), 2023 Special Tax Refunding Bonds (Eighth Supplemental Resolution) - Motion No. 157, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all**

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members present that Resolution No. 96, prescribing the terms, conditions, and form of the 2023 Special Tax Refunding Bonds be adopted.

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

Motion No. 157, 2022-23, Mr. Perez motioned to have a board presentation about the California State Plan for CTE, seconded by Mr. Forcina and not approved by a 2 – 5 vote of all members present. *Ayes – Forcina, Perez; Nays – Trach (Student Board Member), Albiani, Chaires-Espinoza, Jamerson, Vargas and Yang; Absent – None*

XVIII. Adjournment – 10:05 p.m.

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: 
Nancy Chaires Espinoza, Board President