

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, JANUARY 9, 2024

*Adopted*

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

**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 Lefvasseur, Executive Directors

**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, Amari Watkins
  - Unrepresented Employees: Unrepresented Management Employees

**OPEN SESSION:** Ms. Jamerson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced that the Board met in closed session and no action was taken.

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

**I. Pledge of Allegiance** – Members of the Soroptimist International of Elk Grove led the pledge of allegiance and were recognized by the Board of Education for their contributions to the students and staff at Calvine High School.

## **II. Presentations/Recognitions**

- 1. Student Regional Report – Elk Grove Region:** Students from Elk Grove High School, Joseph Kerr Middle School, Elk Grove Elementary, Ellen Feickert Elementary, Florence Markofer Elementary and James McKee Elementary Schools reported on academics and activities at their schools.
- 2. 2022-23 Annual Audit** – The Board of Education received the 2022-23 District-wide annual audit report provided by Amari Watkins and Jeff Jenson of the firm Crowe LLP. Education Code 41020 requires an annual financial and compliance audit of a school district's financial statements and internal controls. This audit is required to be submitted to the County Office of Education and State Controller's Office.

## **III. Resolutions**

- 1. Black/African American History Month** – Motion No. 80, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Perez and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 37, designating February 2024 as Black/African American History Month be adopted.
- 2. Career Technical Education Month Resolution** – Motion No. 81, 2023-24, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Vargas and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 40, designating February 2024 as Career Technical Education Month be adopted.

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

**V. Public Comment**

Shauna Mandell expressed frustration about the upcoming bond, lack of secondary schools in her Rancho Cordova neighborhood and shared concerns about the distance to the school sites.

Amanda Scott shared concerns about resources allocated to paraeducators for competitive salaries and professional development. Ms. Scott also shared her concerns about the high turnover that have left her son without a para from time to time.

Dustin Noble, Giorgio Ferrero, Jensie Ferrero and Courtney Arozino spoke in support of paraeducators and acknowledged their hard work and the difference they make in their children's lives.

**VI. Consent Agenda – Action – Motion No. 82, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that items 1 – 33 on the consent agenda be approved.**

- 1. Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 2. 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; Heather Harris, Nancy Ludu, Robin Taylor, and William Utile.
- 3. Resolution Amending Measure "M" Citizens Oversight Committee Bylaws and Operational Guidelines** – Adopted Resolution No. 35, 2023-2024, appointing members to the Measure "M" Citizens Oversight Committee.
- 4. Resolution Appointing Members to the Measure "M" Citizens Oversight Committee** – Adopted Resolution No. 39, 2023-2024, appointing members to the Measure "M" Citizens Oversight Committee.
- 5. Resolution for Authorized Signatures for Purchase Orders** – Approved Resolution No. 38, 2023-24 for Authorized Signatures.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Approval to Award BID #778-23/24 - 3D Anatomy & Virtual Dissection Table** – Authorized the award of Bid #778-23/24 - 3D Anatomy & Virtual Dissection Table to Anatomage Inc., in the amount of \$298,799.88.
- 8. Robert Trigg Education Center, Floor Replacement Phase 2 Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Harold W. Thompson, Inc., and authorize a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of \$387,954.00 by \$3,908.00 to \$391,862.00.
- 9. Athletic Field Lighting at Five (5) Sites (Florin, Franklin, Laguna Creek, Pleasant Grove, and Valley High Schools) Change Order No. 1** - Approved Change Order No. 1 with Capitol Valley Electric, LLC, and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. changes the contract amount of \$1,291,869.00 by (\$100,000.00) to \$1,191,869.00.

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- 10. Electrical Room HVAC at Various Sites Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Hometown Construction, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of \$207,006.00 by (\$10,000.00) to \$197,006.00.
- 11. Isabelle Jackson Elementary School, Asphalt Upgrade Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Abide Builders, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of \$2,485,000.00 by (\$100,804.00) to \$2,384,196.00.
- 12. Shade Structures at Various Sites, Phase 6 Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Abide Builders, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of \$1,820,000.00 by (\$94,209.00) to \$1,725,791.00.
- 13. Shade Structures at Various Sites, Phase 6 Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the shade structures project at various sites and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 14. Isabelle Jackson Elementary School, Asphalt Upgrade Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the asphalt upgrade project at Isabelle Jackson Elementary School and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 15. Sheldon High School, Fire Damage Restoration at Building L Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the fire damage restoration at Building L project at Sheldon High School and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 16. Electrical Room HVAC at Various Sites Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the electrical room HVAC at various sites project and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 17. Florin High School, Site Paving Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the site paving project at Florin High School and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 18. Athletic Field Lighting at Five (5) Sites (Florin, Franklin, Laguna Creek, Pleasant Grove, and Valley High Schools) Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the athletic field lighting project at five (5) Schools and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- 19. C. W. Dillard Elementary School, Flood Damage Remediation Award of Contract** – Approved the award a contract to Pro-Ex Construction, Inc for the total base bid of \$117, 650.00, 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.
- 20. Joseph Kerr Middle School, Roofing Replacement at 8 Portables Award of Contract** – Approved the award of contract to Pacific Polymers, Inc. DBA American Foam Experts for the total base bid of \$157,416.00. 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.

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- 21. Rio Cazadero High School, Roofing 2024 Award of Contract** – Approved the award of contract to California Single Ply, Inc. for the total base bid of \$359,900.00. 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.
- 22. Classroom Upgrades at Three (3) Sites (John Ehrhardt, Herman Leimbach and Barbara Comstock Morse Elementary Schools) Lease-Leaseback (LLB) Engagement** – Authorized Administration to negotiate with XL Construction Corporation to perform the Classroom Upgrades at Three (3) Sites project to determine a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP).
- 23. Florin High School, Site Paving Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with All American Construction, Inc., and authorized a District Representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 consists of changes to the contract amount of \$3,200,000.00 by \$251,337.00 to \$3,451,337.00.
- 24. Classroom Upgrades at Three (3) Sites (Elitha Donner, Anna Kirchgater and David Reese Elementary Schools) Lease-Leaseback (LLB) Engagement** – Authorized administration to negotiate with CT Brayton and Sons, Inc. to perform the Classroom Upgrades at Three (3) Sites project to determine a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP).
- 25. Approval to Purchase Furniture** – Approved the purchase of furniture cooperatively through a bid secured by the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE).
- 26. Approval to Award RFP #761-22/23 – Employee Time and Attendance & Absence Management System** – Authorized the award of contract to UKG Inc. under RFP #761-22/23
- 27. Approval of Purchase Order History** – Approved purchase orders for the weeks of December 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.
- 28. Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from November 28, 2023 – December 21, 2023.
- 29. Warrant Register No. 6** – Approved Warrant Register No. 6 – Warrant Numbers 129445 – 131344, 447880 – 448600. All Funds: December 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023
- 30. 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.
- 31. Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the district's schools/programs as submitted.
- 32. Approval of UKG Contract for Employee Time and Attendance Software** – Authorized staff to enter into a contract with UKG to provide online employee time and attendance software.
- 33. Approval to Award RFP #776-23-24 Leased Lit or Dark Fiber Service (E-Rate Eligible)** – Approved the award of #776-23-24 Leased Lit or Dark Fiber Service to Comcast Business Communications, LLC.

**VII. Bargaining Units** – Rocio Galvan shared her appreciation for the work that was done for Paras to get more hours and higher wages.

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**VIII. Reports & Discussion Items**

- 1. Food and Nutrition Services Annual Update** – Michelle Drake provided the Board with an overview of the Food and Nutrition program.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Ms. Drake for the report.

**IX. Public Hearing/Action Items**

- 1. Tentative Agreement Between Elk Grove Unified School District and Psychologists' and Social Workers' Association (PSWA) Regarding Comparability Study**

After the introduction of the item, Ms. Jamerson opened the public hearing and there were no public comments. Ms. Jamerson then closed the public hearing.

Motion No. 83, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Forcina, 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 Psychologists' and Social Workers' Association (PSWA) regarding the comparability study be approved.

- 2. Tentative Agreement Between Elk Grove Unified School District and California School Employees Association and its Elk Grove Chapter #831 (CSEA) Regarding Comparability Study** – After the introduction of the item, Ms. Jamerson opened the public hearing and there were two public comments: Amber Barnett and Courtney Arozino spoke in support of paraeducators and acknowledged their dedication and hard work.

After public comment, Ms. Jamerson closed the public hearing.

Motion No. 84, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Perez, seconded by Mr. Forcina and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the tentative agreement between Elk Grove Unified School District and the California School Employees Association and its Elk Grove Chapter #831 (CSEA) Regarding Comparability Study be approved.

**X. Action Items – None**

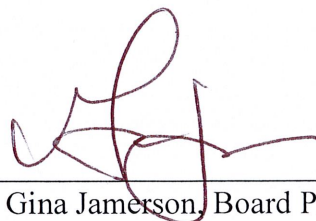
**XI. Board Member and Superintendent Reports – None**

**XII. Consideration of Future Agenda Items - None**

**XIII. Adjournment – 7:52 p.m.**

Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_



Gina Jamerson, Board President