

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

*Adopted*

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

**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 by Ms. Jamerson at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Center. Ms. Jamerson announced that the Board would meet in closed session to address the items on the agenda and called for public comment on these items and there were no public comments.

**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

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

**OPEN SESSION:** Ms. Jamerson called the regular session to order at 6:01 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** – The Todo family led the pledge of allegiance and was recognized by the Board of Education for their contributions to the students, staff, and community at Arnold Adreani Elementary School.

## **II. Presentations/Recognitions**

**1. Student Regional Report - Pleasant Grove Region** – Students from Pleasant Grove High School, Katherine L. Albiani Middle School, Arnold Adreani Elementary, Edna Batey Elementary, Cosumnes River Elementary, CW Dillard Elementary, Robert J. McGarvey Elementary, Pleasant Grove Elementary and Sunrise Elementary reported on academics and activities at their schools.

## **III. Resolutions**

**1. Arts Education Month** – Motion No. 94, 2023-24, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 47, designating March 2024 as Arts Education Month be approved.

**2. Disability Awareness Month** – Motion No. 95, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Vargas and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that

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- 3. National School Social Work Week** – Motion No. 96, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Vargas, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 55, recognizing March 3-9, 2024, as National School Social Work Week be approved.
- 4. Social Emotional Learning Day** – Motion No. 97, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Vargas and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 54, recognizing the second Friday in March as Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Day be approved.
- 5. Women’s History Month** – Motion No. 98, 2023-24, Motion by Ms. Albiani, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that Resolution No. 51, designating March 2024, as Women’s History Month be approved.

**IV. Student Expulsion/Involuntary Transfer Recommendations**

- 1. Request for Student Expulsions** – Motion No. 99, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Vargas, seconded by Mr. Yang and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the recommendations for student expulsion be approved.

**V. Public Comment - None**

**VI. Consent Agenda – Action** – Motion No. 100, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Ms. Albiani and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that items 1 - 31 on the consent agenda be approved.

- 1. Approval of Board Policies** – Approved the updates made to Board Policy 5141.5 Mental Health and Board Policy 5141.6 School Health Services.
- 2. Approval of Minutes** – Approved the minutes from the regular board meeting that was held on February 6, 2024.
- 3. Personnel Actions** – Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returns from reemployment lists as submitted.
- 4. 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; Ronda Rufsvold and Sergio Calderon Garibay.
- 5. Resolution to Eliminate Classified Positions** – Approved Resolution No. 53 for school year 2023-2024, authorizing the Governing Board to eliminate CSEA classified positions due to work/lack of funds pursuant to Education Code Sections 45114, 45298, 45308, and 45117.
- 6. Resolution to Eliminate Classified Positions** – Approved Resolution No. 52 for school year 2023-2024, authorizing the Governing Board to eliminate AFSCME classified positions due to work/lack of funds pursuant to Education Code Sections 45114, 45298, 45308, and 45117.

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- 7. Resolution of Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees** – Approved Resolution No. 49, 2023-2024 authorizing the Governing Board to non-reelect Probationary Certificated Employees per Education Code Section 44929.1
- 8. Release and Non-Reemployment of Long-Term Substitute and Temporary Certificated Employees** – Approved Resolution No. 50, 2023-2024 authorizing the Governing Board to release and non-reemploy Long-Term Substitute and Temporary Certificated Staff pursuant to Education Code Section 44954. It is anticipated that some of the staff may be rehired for the 2024-2025 school year when staffing figures are finalized.
- 9. Elk Grove Unified School District Local Control Accountability Plan Mid-Year Update** – Approved the District’s Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) mid-year update.
- 10. Elk Grove Charter School Local Control Accountability Plan Mid-Year Update** – Approved the Elk Grove Charter School’s Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) mid-year update.
- 11. Approval to Purchase Educational School Supplies** – Approved the purchase of educational school supplies cooperatively through an RFP secured by Omnia Partners Region 4 ESC.
- 12. Approval to Purchase Vehicle Lifts, with Garage and Fleet Maintenance Equipment from Snap-On Industrial, A Division of IDSC Holdings LLC** – Approved the purchase cooperatively through Sourcewell Contract # 013020-SNP.
- 13. Approval to Purchase Comprehensive Operational and Janitorial Supplies** – Authorized the purchase cooperatively through a RFP secured by NCPA Region 14 ESC/NCPA, RFP #08-16.
- 14. Approval to Purchase Office Supplies, Classroom & Office Furniture, Technology, Promotional Items, Facilities Supplies, Breakroom Supplies** – Authorized the purchase of Office Supplies, Classroom & Office Furniture, Technology, Promotional Items, Facilities Supplies, Breakroom Supplies through Sourcewell contract #012320-SCC.
- 15. Approval to Purchase Cafeteria Tables/Furniture** – Authorized the purchase of cafeteria tables/furniture cooperatively through an RFP secured by Omnia Partners Region 4 ESC.
- 16. 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.
- 17. Approval of Purchase Order History** – Approved purchase orders for the weeks of January 1, 2024, through January 31, 2024.
- 18. Joseph Kerr Middle School, Roofing Replacement at 8 Portables Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with Pacific Polymers, Inc., DBA American Foam Experts and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of \$157,416.00 by (\$15,000.00) to \$142,416.00.
- 19. Joseph Kerr Middle School, Roofing Replacement at 8 Portables Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the Roofing Replacement of 8 Portables at Joseph Kerr Middle School, and (2) authorize the filing of the Notice of Completion.

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20. **Robert L. Trigg Education Center, Floor Replacement Phase 2 Change Order No. 2** – Approved Change Order No. 2 with Harold W. Thompson, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 2 changes the contract amount of \$391,862.00 by \$499.00 to \$392,361.00.
21. **Flooring Replacement at Robert Trigg Education Center Phase 2 Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the Flooring Replacement at Robert Trigg Education Center Phase 2, and (2) authorize the filing of the Notice of Completion.
22. **Fall Material Replacement at Maeola R. Beitzel and James McKee Elementary Schools Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with sofSURFACES, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order.
23. **Fall Material Replacement at Florin and Pleasant Grove Elementary Schools Change Order No. 1** – Approved Change Order No. 1 with sofSURFACES, Inc., and authorized a district representative to sign the approved change order. Change Order No. 1 changes the contract amount of \$265,021.50 by \$6,974.97 to \$271,996.47.
24. **Warrant Register No. 7** – Approved Warrant Register No. 7 – Warrant Numbers 131345 – 132898, 448601– 449730. All Funds: January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024.
25. **Ratification of Grant Contracts/Agreements for Funding** – Approved grant contracts/agreements signed by authorized staff as submitted.
26. **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.
27. **Acceptance of Gifts** – Approved donations to the district’s schools/programs as submitted.
28. **Approval of Purchase Order Encumbrance Modification History** – Approved purchase order encumbrance modifications from December 23, 2023 – February 9, 2024.
29. **New High School Courses and Revisions to High School Courses** – Adopted the new high school courses as listed.
30. **Revision to Existing Curriculum** – Approved revisions to existing curriculum as listed.
31. **Instructional Materials Adoption** – Adopted the following instructional materials:  
Supplemental  
**No Fear Shakespeare: Midsummer Night’s Dream**, © 2003 by Spark Notes Publishing; (VAPA, Grade 8)  
**No Fear Shakespeare: Twelfth Night**, © 2003 by Spark Notes Publishing; (VAPA, Gr 8)  
**Generation Genius** (Science, Grades 7-8)  
**Sonday System I**, © 2017 by Windsor Learning INC; (ELA, Grades 7-10)  
**Sonday System 2**, © 2017 by Windsor Learning INC; (ELA, Grades 7-10)  
**PrismsVR** (Mathematics, Grades 9-12)

**VII. Bargaining Units – None**

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**VIII. Reports & Discussion Items**

- 1. Public Opinion Survey Results Presentation** – The Board of Education received a report and provided input regarding the results of a public opinion survey conducted by True North Research pursuant to Board of Education direction.

The Board of Education authorized the district to conduct a public opinion survey on potential interest regarding a General Obligation (G.O.) bond.

The purpose of the survey is to seek valuable and critical input from our community and constituents regarding the District’s Facilities Master Plan, the condition of District facilities, the direction and services provided by the district, and amongst other important items, feedback on how the District can meet its obligation to address identified needs outlined in the Facilities Master Plan. An important outcome of the survey is an assessment of how informed our community and constituents are regarding the needs of the district and the level of support for a potential general obligation bond.

The survey began on January 8, 2024, and concluded on January 15, 2024. During the survey, over 800 surveys were conducted, creating a 95% confidence level in results returned.

True North Research and Government Financial Strategies presented the results of the public opinion survey and offered information and recommendations regarding the potential for a future GO Bond.

Board members provided feedback and thanked Dr. Coates and Dr. McLarney for the report.

**IX. Public Hearing/Action Items**

- 1. Tentative Agreement Between Elk Grove Unified School District and Elk Grove Education Association (EGEA) 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. 101, 2023-24, Motion by Mr. Yang, seconded by Mr. Vargas and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all board members present that the tentative agreement between Elk Grove Unified School District and Elk Grove Education Association (EGEA) regarding the comparability study be approved.

**X. Action Items – None**

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

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

**XIII. Adjournment – 7:41 p.m.**

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Submitted by Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approved by:   
Gina Jamerson, Board President