

# CENTER JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING District Board Room Center Joint Unified School District Annex 3243 Center Court Lane, Antelope, CA 95843

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

### MINUTES

**Teleconference:** Trustee Kelly Kelley participated from 2627 Fontana Circle, Visalia, CA 93277

**OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER -** Trustee Bruno called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL -** Trustees Present: Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Bruno, Mrs. Kelley, Dr. Lee, Mrs. Pope  
Administrators Present: Scott Loehr, Superintendent  
Lisa Coronado, Director of Fiscal Services  
David Grimes, Director of Personnel & Student Services  
Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Special Education  
Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities & Operation

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

1. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)
2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (G.C. §54957)
3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (**Certificated**) Superintendent (G.C. §54957)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION -** none

**CLOSED SESSION -** 5:30 p.m.

**OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER -** 6:17 p.m.

#### **FLAG SALUTE –**

Trustee Bruno read the following: *In recognition of free speech and the following board agenda item, we welcome all and would like to note that saying the pledge of allegiance is not a requirement to participate in the business of this public board. If you do not say the pledge for religious, political, social, or personal reasons, you are most welcome here as an equal participant in the business of this board.*

The Flag Salute was led by Steve Bruno.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

1. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)

Student Expulsion 21/22-04 – Recommendation approved.

**Motion:** Anderson  
**Second:** Kelley

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION (continued)**

2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (G.C. §54957) - No action was taken.
3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (**Certificated**) Superintendent (G.C. §54957) - No action was taken.

Trustee Pope made a point of order that there seems to be a bit of confusion on the board when they abstain from a vote. She stated that BB 9323 states “The Board believes that when no conflict of interest requires abstention, its members have a duty to vote on issues before them.” So basically, the only reason you can abstain is if there’s a conflict of interest. Also, stating the reason you abstain provides our stakeholders and our constituents, the people that elect us, of the reasons for the abstention.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – There was a motion to approve the adoption of the agenda as amended: pull Consent Agenda Item #20 for separate consideration.

**Motion:** Pope  
**Second:** Lee

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**ORGANIZATION REPORTS**

1. CUTA –Venessa Mason, President, noted that she is looking forward to hearing the teachers and their experiences coming up pretty soon for Summer School. They’ve negotiated the salary and the working conditions for Summer School, which begins May 31<sup>st</sup>. Teachers are starting to go through their trainings. The next thing they are negotiating on May 31<sup>st</sup> is salary schedules for our teachers, especially bringing us on par with other districts in our local area, but most specifically special education teachers, which are paid significantly less than neighboring districts. They are hoping to come to a resolution with the district that brings them on par with neighboring district so they can attract special education teachers that are of quality for our students.

2. CSEA – Niesha Harris Knott, President, noted that it is Classified Employee Week, May 16-20 and recognized Classified Employees of the year. The E-board team put together some goodie bags for their member at each school site that was delivered on Monday. She congratulated the Classified Employees of the Year and noted that gift cards were also delivered to their CSEA members: Elizabeth Carrasco at Spinelli, Roxanna Crowe at North Country, Amina Tongol at Dudley, John Carville at Oak Hill, Traci Perrault at Wilson C. Riles, Dyson Schmidt at Center High, Kari Knutson at McClellan, and Luis Alvarez at the District Office.

**REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

1. Diversity in Elementary Curriculum: English Language Arts - Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education, shared information about the diversity shared within the English Language Arts elementary curriculum.
2. i-Ready Spring Scores – Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education, reported on the i-Ready spring scores in Math and English Language Arts.

**COMMITTEE UPDATES**

1. **Facilities Update** – Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities, gave updates on the following:
  - Facilities Dept is working with the various sites on their graduation needs
  - started field renovations at Wilson C. Riles MS
  - hydroseeding on the Riles field
  - lighting upgrade in the Wilson C. Riles MS MP Room and the gym
  - upgrading the lighting in the Center HS library to LED lighting

**COMMITTEE UPDATES (continued)**

-the new school site has had more digging, and pouring of cement. A camera is being installed so that we will be able to see a time lapse of work being done.

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approved Adoption of Minutes from April 20, 2022 Regular Meeting
2. Approved Adoption of Minutes from April 23, 2022 Board Workshop
3. Approved 2022-2023 Agreement for Special Services – Legal Fees with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, Attorneys at Law
4. Approved Classified Personnel Transactions
5. Approved Certificated Personnel Transactions
6. Approved Updated and Revised Job Description: English Language Development (ELD) Teacher (Formerly called English Language Resource Teacher – ELRT)
7. Approved Professional Service Agreement - Addendum: Jamie Holmes, ATX Learning Group
8. Approved Curriculum Materials for Use in 2022-23 School Year
9. Approved Memorandum of Understanding Agreement #23004 – SCOE McGraw Hill Wonders K-6 Teacher Training
10. Approved CORE – Elementary Teacher K-6 Grade Online Academy & Professional Development Summer Learning Opportunities
11. Approved 2022/2023 Contract with Dr. Robert A. Hoffman O.D. MCT Vision Screening
12. Approved Professional Service Agreement: Document Tracking Services
13. Approved Out-of-State Travel for College Prep Math (CPM) Inspiration and Ideas Implementation Course in Salt Lake City, Utah: M. Allred & S. Cline, Riles MS
14. Approved Memorandum of Understanding with Sacramento Children’s Home (SCH) to Continue to Deliver Evidence-based Curricula Focused on Teaching Interpersonal Problem Solving and Conflict Resolution Skills Necessary to Interact Positively and Safely
15. Ratified Professional Services Agreement: Jose DiGregorio
16. Approved FBLA Trip: FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) Leadership Summit at Moorpark College
17. Approved Algebra Waiver for students with an IEP Who Qualify
18. Approved Contract by and between BRCO Constructors Inc. and Center Joint Unified School District to Provide Construction Services for the New Computer Technical and Construction Trades Buildings at Center High School
19. Approved T-Mobile Cell Tower Agreement
20. *This item was pulled for separate consideration.*
21. Approved Payroll Orders: July 2021 – April 2022
22. Approved Supplemental Agenda (Vendor Warrants): April 2022

**Motion:** Pope  
**Second:** Anderson

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION**

20. Approved Resolution #26/2021-22: Committed Fund Balance Designation

There was a motion to approve this item. There was discussion regarding this item. There were no public comments.

**Motion:** Kelley  
**Second:** Anderson

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. APPROVED - First Reading: Board Policy 0415 – Equity in Education**

There was a motion to Table this item until after the Superintendent and Trustees Kelley and Lee attend the Equity Training. There was Board discussion regarding whether to Table this item.

**Motion:** Lee  
**Second:** Kelley

**Ayes:** Lee  
**Noes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Pope

The motion to Table this item did not pass.

There was a motion to approve BP 0415. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion.

**Motion:** Kelley  
**Second:** Anderson

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**B. APPROVED - WestEd – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**

There was a motion to approve this item. Mr. Loehr gave an overview of this item. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion.

**Motion:** Lee  
**Second:** Pope

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**C. APPROVED - Resolution #25/2021-2022: Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Center Joint Unified School District Adopting a Proposal to Limit the Number of Consecutive Terms a Member of the Governing Board May Serve, Ordering an Election on the Proposal, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order, and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections Occurring on November 8, 2022**

There was a motion to bring this item to the floor.

**Motion:** Lee  
**Second:** none

There was no second; the item died on the floor.

The Board of Trustees took a break from 7:41 to 7:49 p.m.

**D. APPROVED - A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan**

There was a motion to approve this item. There was a brief description of what this item was. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion.

**Motion:** Pope  
**Second:** Lee

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**BUSINESS ITEMS (continued)**

**E. APPROVED - First Reading: Board Bylaw 9005.1 – Governance Standards: Censure and Procedures**

There was a motion to approve this item. Trustee Bruno gave a brief overview of this item. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion.

**Motion:** Kelley  
**Second:** Lee

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

The Board recommended that this, BB 9005.1, and BP 0415 not come back for a second reading.

**F. APPROVED - First Reading: Policies, Regulations and Exhibits**

Board Policy 0420.42 - Charter School Renewal  
Administrative Regulation 3515.6 - Criminal Background Check for Contractors  
Board Policy 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment  
Exhibit(1) 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications  
Board Policy 4141.6/4241.6 - Concerted Action/Work Stoppage  
Administrative Regulation 4141.6/4241.6 - Concerted Action/Work Stoppage  
Administrative Regulation 4217.3 - Layoff/Rehire  
Board Policy 5111 - Admission  
Administrative Regulation 5111 - Admission  
Administrative Regulation 5113 - Absences and Excuses  
Administrative Regulation 5125 - Student Records  
Administrative Regulation 5142 - Safety  
Exhibit(1) 5145.6 - Parental Notifications  
Board Policy 5148 - Child Care and Development  
Administrative Regulation 5148 - Child Care and Development  
Board Policy 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education  
Administrative Regulation 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education  
Board Policy 6112 - School Day  
Board Policy 6143 - Courses of Study  
Administrative Regulation 6143 - Courses of Study  
Board Policy 6170.1 - Transitional Kindergarten  
Board Policy 6173 - Education for Homeless Children  
Administrative Regulation 6173 - Education for Homeless Children  
Exhibit(1) 6173 - Education for Homeless Children  
Exhibit(2) 6173 - Education for Homeless Children  
Board Bylaw 9150 - Student Board Members  
Board Bylaw 9320 - Meetings and Notices  
Board Bylaw 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials

There was a motion to approve the first reading as a full group. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion.

**Motion:** Pope  
**Second:** Anderson

**Ayes:** Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope  
**Noes:** None

**BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

**Mrs. Kelley**

-noted that the Board Workshop was successful.  
-noted that she is looking forward to the graduations.

## **BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS (continued)**

### **Dr. Lee**

- wished everyone a happy Asian American/Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month, and Jewish American Heritage Month. She appreciates the uplifting of the many contributions that they have made to American culture and society .
- recognized that COVID has not left us; encouraged everyone to go to covidtests.gov for free tests to be delivered to their home.
- reminded members of the public that there will be 3 seats available for election this year on November 8<sup>th</sup>; encouraged others to register their candidacy.
- thanked the community members for their words of encouragement and support for her efforts to advance term limits for the Board.
- noted that her next virtual open office hours are on Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 4-5pm. The Zoom link can be found on the Board Website.

### **Mrs. Pope**

- reminded community members that the district provides COVID testing at the school sites and district office.
- noted that May 2-6 was Teacher Appreciation Week; parent groups provided goodies and lunch throughout the week for our teachers and our staff.
- thanked all of our teachers and staff for their time and all of the hard work that they do.
- congratulated Brett Homesley at Dudley, and also Tracey Seivert at North Country, on their baby girls.
- congratulated Julia Jackson and Drake Oill, who were married on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- congratulated to all graduates and 8<sup>th</sup> grade promoting students.
- noted that tomorrow is the McClellan HS Senior Dinner.

### **Mrs. Anderson**

- joined Mrs. Diab's class on a field trip to the Nature Center. The class was well behaved.
- noted that the Purple Cord Dinner was very nice and well attended.
- noted that Assembly Member Patrick O'Donnell has authored Assembly Bill 2933 to provide full funding for transportation in school districts across the state.
- noted that term limits fell to the floor because we've had several elections without people running against.
- noted that she'll be at the graduations coming up.

### **Mr. Bruno**

- was impressed on how tight knit everyone was at the Purple Cord Dinner.
- noted that he would tell his son to finish strong, so he is now telling everyone that the end of the school year is coming near so let's finish strong.
- reminded the Board to not get into board policy discussion during board reports.

### **Mr. Loehr**

- announced that the Family Support Services is putting on a Back to School Resource Fair on July 27<sup>th</sup>. There is a backpack drive currently going on to support this.
- acknowledged that the board approved the appointment of Erica Olmstead as Principal at Spinelli and Chris Borasi to replace Steve Jackson in the S.A.F.E. Department.
- noted that the End of the Year activities are underway, and noted that we are a week away from graduations.
- noted that the District has COVID take home tests.
- thanked those who are a part of the District Advisory Council and the District English Language Arts Council and hopes that other folks can also participate in the future.

