

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, February 16, 2022

MINUTES

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER - Trustee Bruno called the meeting to order at 5:21 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. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (G.C. §54957)
2. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)

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

CLOSED SESSION - 5:22 p.m.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER - 6:06 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. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (G.C. §54957)
It was announced that the Board was unanimous to approve the case as presented.

2. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)
21/22.1 – Student Expulsion

There was a motion to approve the recommendation.

Motion: Kelley
Second: Pope

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

Trustee Anderson made a point of order and noted that since there is a Board member that has not provided proof of residency, when you leave the area they are immediately no longer a Board Member. If that Board Member continues to participate in this meeting, she feels that they are out of order. Without proof of residency the assumption is that they are no longer in the district. No longer in the district means that the seat is vacated.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – There was a motion to approve the adoption of the agenda as amended: pull Business Items F and C to the beginning of the meeting, and move Business Items D to the beginning of Business Items, and pull Consent Agenda Item 15 for separate consideration.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Kelley

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

BUSINESS ITEMS

F. APPROVED - Resolution #16/2021-22: Resolution Continuing Board of Trustees Authority to Hold a Virtual Meeting Pursuant to AB 361

There was a motion to approve this item.

Motion: Kelley
Second: Pope

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

C. Rescind Board Member Annual Residency Verification Portion of BB 9220

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

Motion: Kelley
Second: Pope

There was Board discussion on this item. There was a motion to rescind the added language to the policy.

Motion: Lee
Second: none

There was no second to the motion so the motion died on the floor. There was further Board discussion. There was a motion to have the language tightened up by the Superintendent and have it brought back to a future meeting.

Motion: Bruno

There was a friendly amendment that instead of verification forms being submitted, that Board members be able to state under perjury that they reside in the district.

Motion: Lee
Second: none

There was no second to the friendly amendment. There was a friendly amendment that if a Board member refused to provide verification, they are directly violating Board Policy and should be dealt with on that level.

Motion: Anderson
Second: Pope

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

The friendly amendment motion failed. It was back to the motion to have the Superintendent come back with the revised policy for consideration at a future board meeting.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Pope

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

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

1. CUTA – Heather Woods, CUTA Vice President, noted that they are starting to get back to life that was prior to 2020; they enjoy having union meetings prior to the Board meetings, and enjoy hearing what is happening that feel normal. They are looking forward to working with the district through this challenging time. She has been an active member of the union for 20 years and we have such a good working relationship. She noted that there are things we do need to be concerned about: subbing is a huge concern, behaviors are more extreme, and they are very worried about learning loss and credit recovery. Venessa Mason, President, noted that CUTA wants to ensure that the data that is shared in the school offices, in terms of enrollment forms and verifications of address for our students are kept under lock and key.

2. CSEA – Niesha Harris Knott, President, the district has approved the MOU for the Summer Assistance Program for the 22-23 school year and the Classified staff thank the district.

Trustee Anderson stepped out of the meeting at 6:57pm.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. **S.A.F.E. (Student and Family Engagement) Report** – Steve Jackson, Principal on Special Assignment, shared information about the SAFE department and how they assist our students and their families.

There were comments and questions from the Board.

Trustee Anderson rejoined the meeting at 7:10 pm.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

In person Public Comments:

- Jerald Ferguson, Principal at Center High, shared information on the Winter sports: Wrestling team had a few players advance to the divisional tournament, boys and girls soccer teams made it to the playoffs, and Center will be hosting their first round of the boys basketball tournament this Friday; tickets for the basketball game will be available online.

- Howard Ballin, Community Member, proposed that the two new CTE facilities be dedicated in the name of Ray Bender, former Board Member.

Public Comments through Zoom:

-Ms. Conner had her hand raised. We were not able to hear her public comment.

In person Public Comments:

James Anderson, parent, expressed his gratitude of attention on the mental health, especially in the elementary grades. He shared that his student is being bullied and staff has been responsive but it is not enough. He thanked the district for the resources and asked that there be more.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved Adoption of Minutes from January 19, 2022 Regular Meeting
2. Approved Adoption of Minutes from February 5, 2022 Board Workshop
3. Approved Classified Personnel Transactions
4. Approved Certificated Personnel Transactions
5. Ratified 21/22 Master Contract:
 #014 Sierra Upper School
6. Ratified 21/22 Individual Service Agreements:
 ISA #39 Northern CA Preparatory School
 ISA #41, 42 Placer Learning Center
 ISA #40, 43 Meladee McCarty, OI Specialist
7. Ratified Professional Service Agreement: ATX Learning
8. Approved Professional Service Agreement: Nancy Fetzer
9. Approved Upward Bound College Tour to UCLA, Irvine, USC, UC San Diego and San Diego State
10. Approved Information Item of the 2020-2021 LCAP Supplement to the Annual Update, Mid-Year Report, Budget Overview for Parents
11. Approved Single Plan for Student Achievement - Dudley
12. Approved RFP #22-107 Wireless Equipment – E-Rate YR 2022 from Team One Networking, Inc. Contract
13. Approved Pre-Qualification of Bidders Requirements for Construction Projects
14. Approved Amendment #1 – Site Lease Agreement By and Between Clark/Sullivan Construction and Center Joint Unified School District for the Rex Fortune Elementary School Project
15. *This item was pulled for separate consideration.*
16. Approved 2021-2022 Safe School and Emergency Preparedness Plan – Dudley
17. Approved 2021-2022 Safe School and Emergency Preparedness Plan – North Country
18. Approved 2021-2022 Safe School and Emergency Preparedness Plan – Oak Hill
19. Approved 2021-2022 Safe School and Emergency Preparedness Plan – Spinelli
20. Approved 2021-2022 Safe School and Emergency Preparedness Plan – Riles
21. Approved 2021-2022 Safe School and Emergency Preparedness Plan – Clellan
22. Approved 2021-2022 Safe School and Emergency Preparedness Plan – Center
23. Approved Certification of Corrective Actions for the 2020-21 Audit Findings
24. Approved Payroll Orders: July 2021 – January 2022
25. Approved Supplemental Agenda (Vendor Warrants): January 2022

Motion: Anderson

Second: Kelley

Ayes: Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope

Noes: None

BUSINESS ITEMS

D. FAILED - Letter to Governor

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

Motion: Anderson

Second: Pope

Trustee Anderson gave a brief description as to why she brought this item forward.

BUSINESS ITEMS

In person Public Comments:

- Sarah King, teacher, urged the board that they get feedback from parents, students and teachers before making decisions on their behalf.
- Marilyn Truex, community member, noted that there were representatives from California Teachers Association that were unmasked. She shared information on, and her concern with, the mask mandates.

Public Comments through Zoom:

- Latoya Jenkins, parent, thanked the Center Joint Unified District families and noted that they are doing a great job. She asked that they do what is best for the kids.
- Ms. Conner said hello. We were not able to hear any other public comment from her.

There was Board discussion on this topic. There was a motion to send a letter from the district to the Governor to ask him to relax the mask mandates for the students in the district, at least let the parents decide. There was a second to the motion with adding that the letter state that it is a request and that the board members have the option to sign it or not.

Motion: Anderson
Second: Pope

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

The motion failed.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

15. Approved Professional Services Agreement with SchoolWorks, Inc. for Demographics and Enrollment Projections

It was asked that Mr. Loehr give an overview of this item.

In Person Public Comments:

Sarah King, teacher, noted that someone should be able to do public comments without being interrupted.

There was a motion to approve this item.

Motion: Pope
Second: Kelley

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

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. APPROVED - 2022 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election, Subregion 6-B

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

Motion: Kelley
Second: Pope

There was Board discussion on this item. There was a motion to vote for Christopher Clark.

Motion: Anderson
Second: Bruno

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

BUSINESS ITEMS (continued)

B. Student Board Members – Discussion item only

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

Motion: Kelley
Second: Pope

There was Board discussion on this item. It was recommended that we bring back student board representatives. Mr. Loehr noted that we hope to bring them back with the next ASB election.

E. APPROVED - Second Reading: Policies, Regulations and Exhibits

Board Policy 0470 - COVID-19 Mitigation Plan
Board Policy 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures
Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures
Exhibit (1) 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures
Exhibit (2) 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures
Administrative Regulation 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
Exhibit (3) 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
Exhibit (4) 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
Board Policy 1313 – Civility
Board Policy 3230 - Federal Grant Funds
Administrative Regulation 3230 - Federal Grant Funds
Board Policy 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules
Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund
Board Policy 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance
Exhibit 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance
Board Policy 3600 - Consultants
Board Policy 4112.42/4212.42/4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers
Administrative Regulation 4112.42/4212.42/4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers
Board Policy 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications
Exhibit 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications
Board Policy 4131 - Staff Development
Board Policy 4141/4241 - Collective Bargaining Agreement
Administrative Regulation 4161.2/4261.2/4361.2 - Personal Leaves
Administrative Regulation 4161.8/4261.8/4361.8 - Family Care and Medical Leave
Board Policy 5141.31 - Immunizations
Administrative Regulation 5141.31 - Immunizations
Board Policy 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention
Administrative Regulation 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention
Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process
Board Policy 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment
Administrative Regulation 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment
Exhibit 5145.6 - Parental Notifications
Board Policy 6120 - Response to Instruction and Intervention
Board Policy 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements
Administrative Regulation 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements
Board Policy 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education
Administrative Regulation 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education
Board Policy 6164.41 - Children with Disabilities Enrolled by their Parents in Private School
Administrative Regulation 6164.41 - Children with Disabilities Enrolled by their Parents in Private School
Board Policy 6164.5 - Student Success Teams
Administrative Regulation 6164.5 - Student Success Teams
Board Policy 7211 - Developer Fees
Administrative Regulation 7211 - Developer Fees

BUSINESS ITEMS (continued)

There was a motion to approve the second reading of the policies, regulations and exhibits. There was Board discussion.

Motion: Pope
Second: Kelley

E3555 - Trustee Kelley asked that the more detailed list of groups used in BP 3600 be used in E3555
BP5141.31 - Trustee Kelley noted that the third paragraph it is grammatically incorrect to move "if possible" and should be left at the end of the sentence.

Trustee Pope amended her motion, to approve the policies as amended.

Motion: Pope
Second: Anderson
Ayes: Anderson, Bruno, Kelley, Lee, Pope
Noes: none

Trustee Anderson left the meeting at 8:06pm.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

- 1. Curriculum, Instruction & Special Education Update** – Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education gave updates on the following:
 - thanked Richard and his staff for all the work at that location; thanked Eugene for setting all of the audio/visual stuff to make it work.
 - noted that the second round of iReady Reading and math assessments have been completed; staff is taking the assessment data back to their school sites. Noted that he will bring that data to the Board in April.
 - noted that the district is working on expanding the TK program within the district over the next several years.
 - noted that we have a shortage in the Special Ed Dept; hired a new teacher at the high school.
 - our health staff is seeing a decline in the number of COVID positives in the schools.

- 2. Facilities Update** – Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities, gave updates on the following:
 - noted that they will continue working on the new Board room and working on the exterior around the facility.
 - noted that the district has begun the plan/review process with DSA for HVAC replacement at North Country and Center High.
 - noted that the district will put bids out for CTE projects.
 - noted that we will get the Facilities Committee back up and running.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Dr. Lee

- noted that this is the second Black History month since she has been on the board; she hasn't seen anything from our district recognizing it.
- noted that unfortunately CSBA has cancelled the Equity training for a second time.
- noted that her next open office hours are Monday, March 7th, 4-5pm with the Zoom link on the Board website.

Mrs. Kelley

- echoed Dr. Lee's frustration regarding the Equity Network being cancelled.
- clarified her statement from earlier regarding the masks.
- noted that she is looking forward to finishing up the Board Handbook in the next session.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS (continued)

Mrs. Pope

- thanked the Transportation Department for their dedication and hard work.
- thanked Mr. Putnam and Eugene for their work on the new board room.

Mrs. Anderson – was not available to report

Mr. Bruno

- shared his personal board goals for this year:
 - * continue to engage the public with the Board
 - * to improve relationships between board members
 - * work on having the Board work together even when they don't agree
- shared what he appreciates each Board member for:
 - * appreciates Trustee Anderson's experience and passion; she does what she does because she truly does care.
 - * appreciates that Trustee Lee is always looking for ways that we can be doing things better and pushing them to move forward.
 - * appreciate Trustee Kelley's sense of humor, that can be really wonderful when things are stressful.
 - * appreciates Trustee Pope for helping him as a board member; appreciates her experience, her rational approach to things, and how willing she is to share and help others.
- noted that he appreciates Mr. Loehr, Carol and all the folks there who are helping him achieve his goal.

Trustees Kelley noted that she appreciates how Trustee Bruno listens and analyzes things. Trustee Pope noted that Trustee Bruno is very level headed, and he's doing an amazing job as President.

Mr. Loehr

- listed and thanked the district employees that have helped to put this board room together.
- thanked Mr. Jordan for his efforts to secure COVID-19 tests so that we may test students with parent permission.
- noted that he will bring back more possible dates for the next Board Workshop for working on the Board Handbook
- presented Trustee Kelley with a commemorative gavel for her service as the Board President for 2021.

ADVANCE PLANNING

- a. *Future Meeting Dates:*
 - i. *Regular Meeting: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. – Board Room, CJUSD District Office Annex, 3243 Center Court Lane, Antelope, CA 95843 and/or Virtual*
- b. *Suggested Agenda Items:*
 - *recommendation that we move committee updates up on the agenda*
 - *recommendation of a budget workshop for a later date*

ADJOURNMENT – 8:34 p.m.

Motion: Kelley
Second: Pope

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

