

# 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, March 16, 2022

### MINUTES

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

**OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER** - 6:10 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)  
No action was taken.

2. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)  
21/22.2 – Student Expulsion

There was a motion to approve the recommendation.

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

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

21/22.3 – Student Expulsion

There was a motion to approve the recommendation.

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

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

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – There was a motion to approve the adoption of the agenda as amended: pull Consent Agenda item #12 for separate consideration.

Trustee Pope thanked those involved in making Consent Agenda items #9 & #10 happen, noted that she is excited to see the items regarding Dudley Elementary and hopes the grounds will be improved, and thanked Mr. Putnam for Consent Agenda item #18.

**Motion:** Kelley  
**Second:** Pope

**Vote:** General Consent

**ORGANIZATION REPORTS**

1. CUTA –Venessa Mason, President, noted that this is retirement season. She noted that both Jeff Wise and Tony Hill have been in the district 30+ years; they look forward to celebrating them at the end of the school year. She noted that teachers are excited to see the field trips happening, excited to see outside groups come on to the campuses as well.
2. CSEA – Niesha Harris Knott, President, was not available to report. Mr. Loehr noted that she had nothing to report, but will see the board next month.

**COMMITTEE UPDATES**

1. **Curriculum, Instruction & Special Education Update** – Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education gave updates on the following:
  - coming up on the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of i-Ready testing
  - starting to look at independent study options for next school year
  - currently enrolling students Preschool through grade 12 for summer school
  - teaming up with Covid Clinic for free Covid testing; free to everyone in the community
2. **Facilities Update** – Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities, gave updates on the following:
  - have broken ground at the new Rex Fortune school site (initial work). The ceremonial groundbreaking will be held on April 7<sup>th</sup>
  - April 5<sup>th</sup> will be the next Facilities Committee Meeting, and will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month
  - there has been more progress on the new board room
  - currently painting buildings around the annex

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Trustee Bruno noted that at the next meeting we will have a timer in place so that folks will know how much time they have when speaking.

In person Public Comments:

- James Anderson thanked the school for the help dealing with the bullying and the resources given.

Public Comments through Zoom:

- Ms. Conner shared her concerns with asking for diversity be placed on the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approved Adoption of Minutes from February 16, 2022 Regular Meeting
2. Approved Classified Personnel Transactions
3. Approved Certificated Personnel Transactions
4. Approved District Calendar for School Year 2024-25 and Calendar Revision for School Years 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 to Reflect New Juneteenth Holiday
5. Ratified 21/22 Master Contracts:
  - #015 Jabbergym LLCA
  - #016 Journey Academy / TLC Child & Family Services
6. Ratified COVID-19 School Testing Agreement with Covid Clinic, Inc.
7. Ratified Professional Service Agreement: Judith Stevens, ATX Learning Group
8. Ratified Professional Service Agreement: Dacian Carlson, MAG Solutions
9. Approved Media Communications Academy (MCA) Senior Trip to Santa Cruz, CA – Center High
10. Approved Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Trip to Ontario, CA – Center High
11. Approved 2021-22 Consolidated Application
12. *This item was pulled for separate consideration.*
13. Approved Resolution #17/2021-22: Renewal Application – State & Federal Surplus Property Program
14. Approved Resolution #18/2021-22: Resolution Supporting Preschool Transitional Kindergarten and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program – for Full-Day Pre-school at Dudley Elementary
15. Approved Resolution #19/2021-22: Resolution Supporting Preschool Transitional Kindergarten and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program – for Transitional Kindergarten at Dudley Elementary
16. Approved Resolution #20/2021-22: Resolution Supporting Preschool Transitional Kindergarten and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program – for Full-Day Kindergarten at Dudley Elementary
17. Approved Consultant Services Agreement By and Between Terracon Consultants, Inc. and Center Joint Unified School District – for Special Inspection and Testing Services for Center High CTE Project
18. Approved Professional Services Agreement: Hugh R. Davison
19. Approved Payroll Orders: July 2021 – February 2022
20. Approved Supplemental Agenda (Vendor Warrants): February 2022

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

**Vote:** General Consent

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION**

12. Approved Contract Amendment #7 – Facility Needs and Implementation Planning Services for Modernization Projects Agreement, Capital Program Management (CPM)

Mr. Loehr & Mr. Putnam gave a description of the services provided. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion. There was a motion to approve this item.

**Motion:** Kelley  
**Second:** Pope

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

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. APPROVED - Center High School Performing Arts Center Control Booth Dedication to Vernon Bisho**

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

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

Mr. Loehr and Mr. Ferguson shared information about Mr. Bisho and the requested dedication. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion on this item. This item was approved.

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

**B. Board Bylaw 9310 – Board Policies**

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

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

Mr. Loehr noted that it was asked that our handbook mirror this policy. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion on this item. It was recommended that it come back after the handbook has been completed.

**C. Board Policy 0415 - Equity**

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

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

Public Comments through Zoom:  
- Ms. Conner noted that this is a discussion to be had.

In person Public Comments:  
- James Anderson, parent, noted that diversity should be a main focus.

There was Board discussion on this item. It was requested that the board discuss this at a board workshop (possibly 4/23) prior to bringing it to a regular board meeting for a vote.

**D. Board Bylaw 9220 – Governing Board Elections**

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

**Motion:** Kelley  
**Second:** Pope

There were no public comments on this item. There was Board discussion on this item. There was a recommendation to bring this item back with further clarification that reasonable actions would be taken if residency could not be verified and clarification that documents would not be kept on file.

**BUSINESS ITEMS (continued)**

**E. APPROVED - Second Interim Report for Fiscal Year 2021-22**

Lisa Coronado shared information on the Second Interim Report. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion on this item. There was a motion to approve this item.

**Motion:** Kelley  
**Second:** Pope

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

**BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

**Mrs. Anderson** – had nothing to report.

**Mrs. Pope**

- noted that it is wonderful that the activities are coming back to the schools.
- reminded people to support the PTAs and PTOs.

**Mrs. Kelley**

- noted that the Equity Training dates have been re-scheduled for August through October.

**Dr. Lee**

- wished everyone happy Purim and happy St. Patrick's Day.
- recognized Women's History Month and extended her thanks to teachers that are doing the work of culturally responsive and culturally relevant teaching.
- excited for the Equity Training with CSBA to get started.
- noted that her next open office hours will be Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> over Zoom from 4-5pm; the link is on the Board website.

**Mr. Bruno**

- shared that his family has been dealing with some health issues and asked everyone to take care of themselves.

**Mr. Loehr**

- thanked Ms. Coronado for her work on the Second Interim Report.
- noted that April 7<sup>th</sup> will be the Groundbreaking Ceremony.
- noted that we are gearing up for Summer School.
- hopes that these Equity Training dates will stick.
- had the opportunity to tour classrooms at Spinelli, Dudley and North Country.
- thanked everyone for their contributions this year.

**ADVANCE PLANNING**

- a. *Future Meeting Dates:*
  - i. *Regular Meeting: Wednesday, April 20, 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:*
  - *board workshop on 4/23*
  - *diversity in the curriculum*

**ADJOURNMENT – 7:51 p.m.**

**Motion:** Pope  
**Second:** Kelley

**Vote:** General Consent

