

CENTER JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

District Board Room, Room 503

Wilson C. Riles Middle School

4747 PFE Road, Roseville, CA 95747

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

MINUTES

The Governor issued Executive Order N-29-20, which allows local legislative bodies to hold meetings via conference calls while still satisfying state transparency requirements. This meeting was held with a combination of Trustees attending in-person and through Zoom, and the public was able to attend in person or submit comments from our Livestream page.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER - Trustee Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL - Trustees Present: Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Bruno (*was not in attendance during roll call*), 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 Ed.
Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities & Operation

FLAG SALUTE –

Trustee Lee gave the following statement: "In recognition of this free speech board business agenda item, welcoming all and noting that saying the pledge of allegiance is not a requirement to participate in the business of this 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 public school board."

The Flag Salute was led by Kelly Kelley.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA - There was a motion to approve the adoption of the agenda as presented.

Motion: Pope

Second: Anderson

Ayes: Anderson, Kelley, Lee, Pope

Noes: None

Absent: Bruno

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

1. CUTA - Venessa Mason, President, noted that CUTA is working really hard along with all of the other professionals in the school district and would like some support from the community. She noted that there is a lot of social media about ways to be mean to each other, cause damage to campuses, and just be generally disrespectful. It was asked that our students, staff, families and school board members think first about kindness. The teachers can't take much more, and we need to treat each other with kindness and say thank you. She noted that as a staff they have bonded together, and school sites are saying that they are taking back their campuses. When we came back to school in

ORGANIZATION REPORTS (continued)

August people thought that it would be back to what they've always done; but it's a whole new world and it's not nice. She asked that we remind our community members that they are just doing their job; when parents come in the cafeteria to drop off their students they are not looking for an argument, just doing their job. If we can all do our jobs with kindness maybe things could get better.

There were questions and discussion from the Board.

2. CSEA - Marie Huggins, President, wished everyone a happy first day of Fall. She thanked Venessa for reminding us that kindness is an option, and how one word or a smile can make a huge difference. She thanked her for her hard work, her heart, her words, what she does in the classroom. She thanked all the teachers for what they are doing in the classroom, trying to support with classified employees to help the children have an environment where they can flourish and be nurtured. Mrs. Huggins then noted that the classified employees are finishing up on their initial proposals for the negotiating year. This is a successor year; the agreement came to an end at the end of June and will need to renew for another 3 years. They will do some collaboration with the district and some language cleanup. In October they will begin nominations for President, Secretary, and 2 negotiations positions. She noted that she will be retiring in December. She looks forward to seeing who will step up and make a difference.

Trustee Steve Bruno joined the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. **Facilities Update** – Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities, noted that we are back in school so we've gotten back into the standard mode of taking care of work orders. He noted that the Maintenance Department is shorthanded. The district is taking care of work orders and addressing items as they're coming up. He noted that they will be getting some more of our subcontractors and vendors to help us take care of any A/C issues and items like that. Mr. Putnam noted that the district is waiting on the appraisal for the land for the Rex Fortune site. It was also noted that he had met with the fence company for fencing at McClellan; he will be getting some numbers soon for an actual fence portion in the front of McClellan, as well as the gate.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. **Panorama 360** - Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education, introduced Rachel Irwin & Mary Keough from Panorama. The Panorama Team was introduced and Rachel shared information about the company. The following was covered during their presentation:

- Feedback Surveys
- Social-Emotional Learning
- Student Success
- Our Work Together (Social-Emotional Learning Measurement, Check-ins, Climate & Culture surveys)
- Our Goals for this year
- timeline of our Panorama Surveys for SY 2021-22
- Research-Backed Survey Tools
- Aligning Survey Topics to Performance Metrics
- Sharing Insights Across the District
- Compare Results to National Benchmarks
- Disaggregated Data by Schools & Groups
- See Results at the Student Level
- Find Strategies to Improve with Playbook

There was Board discussion regarding the use of the surveys and data.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS (continued)

2. Bond Program Update and Issuance Opportunity – Khushroo Gheyara from Caldwell Flores Winters gave an overview of District Bond programs, a summary of our District's outstanding bonds, the ability to issue additional bonds, and the key next steps for bond issuance. There was Board discussion regarding CFW and bonds.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Mrs. Kelley - had nothing to report

Dr. Lee

- welcomed everyone.
- noted that September is a busy month with respect to multicultural education:
 - * we celebrate Hispanic Heritage contributions to this nation's fabric
 - * Constitution Week
 - * Constitution and Citizenship Day
- is excited to hear about activities that our district engaged in to recognize constitutionally; schools are our primary vehicles where we learn about our rights and responsibilities, and those are the things that make our nation great. Constitution Week has always been a favorite of hers.
- noted that this month holds a special meaning for us as a community as we marked Patriot Day, the 20th anniversary of 9/11.
- noted that next week is Gold Star Mother's Day and she thanked the many for their service and sacrifices so we can live free in this world.
- announced that Native American Day is September 24th, and she noted that this, especially in Sacramento County, is really the land and the ancestral homeland of the Miwok, Nisenan and Maidu peoples. They are the indigenous people of this land and she feels it's important that we recognize that as we seek to build a more inclusive and just learning community.
- noted that COVID is here in this district and in this community; the pandemic hasn't ended.
- attended a webinar from the California School Boards Association, "Governing in a Time of Chaos: Board Meetings in the Age of COVID and CRT". There were some great suggestions & strategies that were shared about how boards can work together more effectively to navigate the sticky topics that we're all facing, like COVID, ethnic studies and critical race theory.
- noted that we are seeing some strange things in our public schools and higher education right now and it always trickles down. Last week hundreds of students were dropped at Sac State, which is a public university, all because they had not loaded COVID vaccination records by a deadline.
- had folks reach out to her with concerns about impending mandates to vaccinate our K-12 students. We are listening and bringing your thoughts and concerns to the decision makers with the power and authority in this situation. She encouraged everyone to keep speaking out, keep raising awareness; when we fall complacent oppression wins. She is deeply committed to equity full stop, she has deep concerns that we're potentially creating a two-tier citizenship system among the vaccinated and unvaccinated right before our eyes; and now all of our children are becoming involved. It seems that we are getting a living lesson in how the wheels of oppression, exclusion, separation and othering are set in motion through this public health effort.
- hopes that our efforts to ensure public safety do not serve to further marginalize, penalize or ostracize some groups over others, or to effectively segregate, ban or exclude some groups from public education.
- asked that everyone be safe and be well.
- looks forward to her next drop-in office hours, October 4th from 4pm to 5pm on Zoom. The Zoom link is on our website and please drop at any time.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS (continued)

Mrs. Anderson

-noted that she is waiting for the COVID stuff to settle, but noted that some decisions are not made by the board.

Mrs. Pope

- asked everyone to be mindful of their behavior, their language, their mannerism; it could be beneficial to everybody. Our district employees work very hard; they do not need to be treated with disrespect. We have to value our teachers and our employees. And we have to value the property that we have at the district; it does cost money to replace things that are broken in a bathroom, gymnasium or whatever.

- asked that if we remember the words that Marie shared, kind, true and necessary, it could be a better place. Please be mindful of your actions; nobody needs to be treated with disrespect.

- noted that recently there were 2 families within the district that lost their father/husband/son. She gave her sympathies and heartfelt prayers to the families.

- noted that an employee was hit by a motorist and was injured while riding his bike home from work. Thankfully the employee is safe and is going to have a long road to recovery, but she wished him well.

- she asked that everyone wear masks, wear bike helmets, and let's work together to keep everybody be safe.

- congratulated Mr. Bruno, who just got married. She wished them a long, happy life.

Mrs. Anderson

- noted that she had a communication with someone from the high school that was really concerned about morale in the high school between the teachers and administration, and the general feeling at the high school. She hopes that things can get better there, and that the kindness communication can get to them and they can treat each other with respect and an extra kind word. They are all under more pressure even than the younger grades.

Mr. Bruno

- noted that he and his wife decided to make it legal.

- apologized for being late getting here; hit a lot more traffic than anticipated and it took him half an hour longer than he thought.

- noted that a community member reached out to him after the last meeting. They pointed out that we're asking students and staff members to wear their masks all day, and the board should try to keep theirs on while speaking.

Mr. Loehr

- Kindness: thanked Venessa for the words tonight.

- thanked the staff of Center Unified for their hard work. Everyone is working extremely hard right now, doing things that we thought we would probably never have to do as educators. He noted that he can't thank them enough each and every day, and each and every day is a new day with new things.

- noted that COVID is settling down in our district, but data on hospitalization in the community is still up so we cannot let our guard down.

- thanked the staff that is doing the contact tracing, which is in addition to their regular duties.

- noted that the Sacramento County Grand Jury recently asked Superintendents and districts to respond to the recommendation of a K-12 mandate for vaccination for students. That is in process, they are talking as a collective county with our health officials, to look at an appropriate response. He will keep the board informed along the way. There are some red flags associated with the recommendation so they are going to take their time to make sure they respond appropriately; it may be a collective response. He noted that we are here for the kids and here for our staff and we'll do the right thing for our families.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS (continued)

- again mentioned "kindness"

Mrs. Kelley

- announced that her daughter, Jamie, recently got married. She was married on August 4th and is now Jamie Lucky.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved Adoption of Minutes from June 9, 2021 Special Meeting
2. Approved Adoption of Minutes from June 16, 2021 Regular Meeting
3. Approved Adoption of Minutes from August 18, 2021 Regular Meeting
4. Approved Classified Personnel Transactions
5. Approved Certificated Personnel Transactions
6. Approved Memorandum of Understanding with CSEA – Reduction of Account Technician (Payable) Position
7. Ratified Agreement Center Joint Unified School District and Michael's Transportation Services, Inc.
8. Ratified 2021/22 Master Contracts:
 - #7 – Maxim Healthcare Services
 - #8 – Northern California Preparatory School
 - #9 – Odyssey Learning Center
 - #10 – Placer Learning Center
9. Ratified 2021-2022 Individual Service Agreements:

ISA # 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,15	Meladee McCarty, OI Specialist
ISA # 10	Kadiant/Land Park Campus
ISA # 11	Access Language
ISA # 12	Northern California Preparatory School
ISA # 13	Odyssey Learning Center
ISA # 14,24	Sierra Foothills Academy
ISA # 17,18,19,20,21,22,23	Easter Seals
ISA # 25,26,27	Placer Learning Center
10. Ratified Professional Services Agreement: Loy Mattison Enterprises
11. Approved Agreement for Language Interpretation Services with Heartland Alliance Health
12. Approved Center Adult School Courses Approved by California Department of Education – Adult School Office for the 2021-2022 School Year
13. Approved Surplus/Obsolete Books to be Recycled/Discarded
14. Approved Memorandum of Understanding between Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services and Center Joint Unified School District
15. Approved Professional Services Agreement: Lisa Coates
16. Ratified Out-of-State Travel: Ron Clark Academy in Atlanta, GA – North Country: M. Smith, H. Anglin, M. Jeffrey, C. Scholegl-Kam
17. Approved Five Year Ground Lease Agreement with North Highlands Recreation and Park District
18. Approved Payroll Orders: July - August 2021
19. Approved Supplemental Agenda (Vendor Warrants): August 2021

Trustee Lee thanked Mrs. Hunt for updating the minutes and everything she does for the board.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Anderson

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

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. TABLED - Monthly Recognitions and Resources

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

Motion: Pope
Second: Bruno

Mr. Loehr gave an overview of the various ways that other districts recognize the items. There was Board discussion regarding this topic. Trustee Lee suggested that they focus on the heritage months on the list from CDE.

There was a motion that we approve the heritage months (as read from the list from CDE).

Motion: Lee

There was no second to this motion. There was further discussion from the Board and Superintendent.

Kelley made a motion to Table this item. She asked that they come up with the list of which ones we are recognizing and how we would like to recognize them. Trustee Lee asked that in addition to the motion to Table the item, a list be brought back to the board of the heritage months selected by Superintendent Loehr, using the definition that we have provided here in our session today. Mr. Loehr noted that he will bring back a list based on the CDE's recommendations of heritage months. We can bring this back to the October meeting and at that meeting the Board would talk about those heritage months, and at that time we would agendaize it to say what the process is for recognition. After review of what the Board would like to see come back for action, a board member noted that we will not have all board members present at the October meeting. After further discussion there was a motion to Table this item until November.

Motion: Kelley
Second: Bruno

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

B. APPROVED - Meeting Format

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

Motion: Bruno
Second: Lee

There was discussion among the Board regarding this item. There was a motion to approve the statement as revised by Trustee Kelley (below), to be placed on the agenda and read during the meeting just prior to the Pledge of Allegiance.

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.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Lee

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

BUSINESS ITEMS (continued)

Trustee Pope asked to explain why she voted no on this item; she agrees with the statement and likes what it says and the point, but she doesn't think it needs to be read out loud.

C. APPROVED - Instructional Materials Adoption Grades 10-12, Science (Next Generation Science Standards) Textbooks

There was a motion to approve this item. Trustee Pope thanked everyone who participated in the adoption of the 10-12 Science Textbooks; it's a lot of work and much appreciated.

Motion: Pope
Second: Bruno

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

D. APPROVED - Appointment of Center Endowment for Educational Excellence Officer

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

Motion: Pope
Second: Lee

Mr. Loehr noted that with Trustee Wilson vacating his board position we are looking for a Board member to fill his vacant spot on the Board for the Center Endowment for Educational Excellence. Trustee Pope nominated Trustee Anderson as an officer of the Center Endowment for Education Excellence. There were no other nominations. There was a motion to approve Trustee Anderson as an officer.

Motion: Lee
Second: Pope

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

E. APPROVED - 2020-2021 Unaudited Actuals Report

Lisa Coronado, Director of Fiscal Services, gave an overview of the 2020-21 Unaudited Actuals. She discussed the information that was provided in the Board packet. Various Board members and Mr. Loehr thanked Mrs. Coronado for her work on this.

Motion: Pope
Second: Anderson

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

F. APPROVED - Resolution #5/2021-22: Gann Limit Resolution

Lisa Coronado, Director of Fiscal Services, gave an overview of the background behind this item. There was no discussion from the Board. There was a motion to approve as presented.

Motion: Anderson
Second: Bruno

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

ADVANCE PLANNING

a. Future Meeting Dates:

i. Regular Meeting: Wednesday, October 20, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. - District Board Room - Room 503, located at Riles Middle School, 4747 PFE Road, Roseville, CA 95747 and/or Virtual

b. Suggested Agenda Items: C&I/Special Ed department update monthly; Ryan Miranda report on his department in December; Board workshop for Board handbook (possibly Nov); discussion update about vaccination for students; action item to approve our board participation in CSBA Equity Network Training

ADJOURNMENT – 8:32 p.m.

Motion: Pope
Second: Anderson

Vote: General Consent

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Scott A. Loehr, Superintendent
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

/s/

Steven Bruno
Board of Trustees Clerk

11/17/2021

Adoption Date