

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Smith called the Regular meeting of the Governing Board to order at 6:02 PM.

**B. ROLL CALL: Rachelle Haddoak, Donna Robert, Ernesto Smith, Suzan Solomon, Isaiah Talley**

Board members Haddoak, Robert, Smith, Solomon, and Talley were present.

Cabinet members Avanesyans, Montemayor, Peattie, and Hernandez were present.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

There were no public comments.

**D. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:03 PM.

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION** (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9) OAH Special Education Due Process Case NO. 2025010755
2. **Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.9: Potential Litigation: Case 22/23-02**
3. **Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Appointment of Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) Coordinator**
4. **Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee- Possible Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint of an Employee**
5. **Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: Labor Negotiations - Negotiator for the District Amanda Montemayor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources**
6. **Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. - Superintendent Employment Contract**

**E. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

Board members returned to Regular Session at 7:05 PM.

**F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

In closed session, the Board approved a settlement agreement in OAH Special Education Due Process Case No. 2025010755, pursuant to which the District, without admission of fault, has agreed to fund and provide specified educational services and reasonable attorneys fees collectively not to exceed \$72,294.54, in consideration of a release of claims against the District. The roll call vote was as follows:

Motion: Solomon Seconded: Robert

Vote: 5 – 0

Haddoak - Aye

Robert - Aye

Smith – Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

In closed session, the Board approved the appointment of Sara Garate as the Extended Learning Opportunity Program (ELOP) Coordinator for the District effective June 16, 2025.

Motion: Solomon Seconded: Talley  
Vote: 5 – 0  
Haddoak - Aye  
Robert - Aye  
Smith – Aye  
Solomon - Aye  
Talley - Aye  
Solomon/Talley

**G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board member Suzan Solomon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Agenda approved.  
Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Talley  
Vote: 5 – 0

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 22, 2025**

Minutes approved.  
Motion: Haddoak / Seconded: Robert  
Vote: 4 – 0 - 1  
(Talley abstained)

**J. GOVERNING BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Board Member Haddoak invited the public to attend the upcoming Parent Resource Fair on May 14, 2025, at Wiley Canyon Elementary from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. All attendees are encouraged to wear blue in support of the event;
- Board members recently attended the music concerts at Wiley Canyon Elementary and praised the students' performances as outstanding. They expressed their gratitude to the Music Teachers for their dedication and efforts in organizing such meaningful events;
- Board Member Solomon attended the Honors Orchestra Concert and commended the students for their phenomenal performances. She also noted how fortunate the District is to have such a strong music program for so many years;
- Board Member Solomon extended an invitation to the public for the next SCV Trustees Association meeting, taking place on May 19 at 6:00 PM, hosted by the Saugus Union School District. SELPA Director Tracy Peyton will serve as the guest speaker;
- In celebration of Teacher Appreciation Week, Board Members Robert and Solomon delivered goodies to teachers across the District as a gesture of gratitude;
- Board Members Robert and Solomon also attended a CalArts documentary screening that highlighted a collaborative project between college students and Oak Hills 6th graders. They shared that the documentary was an incredible display of student creativity, self-confidence, and public speaking development;
- Board Member Robert shared that during the recent lobbying trip to Washington, D.C., some Board members had the opportunity to visit several museums, enriching their educational perspectives.
- Board Member Solomon attended the Celebration of Life for former Pico Canyon Elementary teacher Jamie Hallden. She shared that it was deeply moving to hear students reflect on the lasting contributions Jamie made to the school community.
- Superintendent Hernandez extended heartfelt thanks to the District's music teachers for their hard work and dedication in preparing for the recent concerts.
- Superintendent Hernandez expressed appreciation to the school PTAs and PTOs for their unwavering support and commitment to students and school programs.
- Board Member Solomon attended a recent performance by Nathalia, a Colombian-born children's songwriter, performer, and author. She recently performed assemblies at Newhall

and McGrath Schools, as well as at the Newhall Family Theatre, engaging students through music and storytelling.

**K. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**L. CORRESPONDENCE**

**1. LACOE Letter: Third Quarter 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Results of Site Visits, Reviews, and Uniform Complaint Data**

California Education Code (EC) Section 1240 requires the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) to visit schools identified in our county, review information in the areas noted below, and report the results of our visits and reviews.

**M. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1. Removal of Items From the Consent Calendar**

No items removed.

**2. Consideration of Approving Items on the Consent Calendar**

Consent calendar approved. Board President Smith thanked all who provided donations to the school.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Robert

Vote: 5 – 0

Roll call vote:

Haddoak - Aye

Robert - Aye

Smith – Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

**3. Consent Calendar- Business Services**

**i. Consideration of Approving Purchase Orders, B Warrants and Payroll Warrants**

**ii. Consideration of Approving Gift Report #24/25-8**

**iii. Consideration of Approving the Salvage Report**

**iv. Consideration of Approving District Recurring Contracts**

**4. Consent Calendar- Human Resources**

**i. Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #24/25-19**

**N. STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Staff Reports- Student Support Services**

**i. Consideration of Approving Agreement Between William S. Hart Union High School District and Newhall School District for the Provision of Counseling Services**

Counseling staff provided by William S. Hart Union High School District will support students who require special education for Educationally Related Intensive Counseling Services during the 2025-26 school year.

Item approved.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 – 0

**ii. Consideration of Approving Amended Agenda Item with Scoot Education, Inc. for Paraprofessionals and Behavior Support Substitute Services**

Scout Education will fill any paraprofessional vacancies, such as instructional assistants and behavior support specialists, with Scout substitute staff to ensure that students receiving special education services are fully supported.

Item approved.

Motion: Talley / Seconded: Solomon

Vote: 5 – 0

**2. Staff Reports- Curriculum/Instructional Services**

**i. Consideration of Approving Stevenson Ranch Elementary School's Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)**

Stevenson Ranch Elementary's SPSA has been developed by the staff and approved by the School Site Council.

Item approved.

Motion: Talley / Seconded: Robert

Vote: 5 – 0

**ii. Consideration of Approving Old Orchard Elementary School's Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)**

Old Orchard Elementary's SPSA has been developed by the staff and approved by the School Site Council.

Item approved.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

**iii. Consideration of Approving Instructional Services Board Policies - First Reading**

Board Policy 0460 approved with suggested edits and waived additional readings.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

Administrative Regulation 0460 approved and waived additional readings.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Solomon

Vote: 5 – 0

**3. Staff Reports- Business Services**

**i. Consideration of Approving Peachland Handball Court Mural Project**

This project involves painting murals on both sides of the two handball courts, featuring themes centered around the school mascot, PBIS expectations, and Peachland Pride.

Item approved.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

**ii. Consideration of Awarding the Oak Hills Roof Replacement Project to Chapman Coast Roof Co., Inc.**

The replacement of these roofs aligns with the recommendations outlined in the District's 2020 Facilities Master Plan.

Item approved.

Motion: Talley / Seconded: Solomon

Vote: 5 – 0

iii. **Consideration of Awarding the McGrath and Valencia Valley Asphalt Projects to Century Paving**

Facilities staff have identified critical asphalt repairs needed to maintain safe and functional school environments.

Item approved.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Robert

Vote: 5 – 0

iv. **Consideration of Approving the Santa Clarita Valley Consortium Teacher Induction Program's Memorandum of Understanding**

The attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlines the roles and responsibilities of all participating teachers, participating districts, and the Local Education Agency (LEA) in the consortium, specifically the Newhall School District.

Item approved.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

v. **Consideration of Approving the Crushing/Destroying of Three Diesel School Buses as required by SCAQMD and HVIP**

The three diesel buses to be decommissioned will be entirely out of service by June 2025. The destruction of these buses is a requirement set by SCAQMD and HVIP to reimburse the District with grant funding.

Item approved.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

vi. **Consideration of Approving Waiver for Audit Findings**

As allowed under Education Code Section 41372, the District is seeking an exemption from the county superintendent of schools for the 2023–24 fiscal year.

Item approved.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

vii. **Consideration of Approving Business Services Board Policies- First Reading**

Board Policy 3320 approved with suggested edits and waived additional readings.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 – 0

Administrative Regulation 3320 approved for deletion.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

4. **Staff Reports- Human Resources**

i. **Consideration of Approving Renewal of Employment Contract for Gina Ramallo**

Item approved.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Robert

Vote: 5 – 0

ii. **Consideration of Accepting Newhall Employee Support Professionals (NESP) Proposal for 2025/2026 Negotiations**

Item accepted.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 - 0

**iii. Consideration of Accepting the Newhall School District (NSD) 2025/2026 Contract Proposal for Newhall Employee Support Professionals (NESP)**

Item accepted.

Motion: Haddoak / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 - 0

**5. Staff Reports-Administrative Services**

**i. Consideration of Approving Resolution #24/25-18 Declaring May 18-24, 2025 as Classified School Employee Appreciation Week**

In honor of our dedicated classified staff, the Governing Board recognized the outstanding contributions of these staff members and declared May 18-24, 2025, as "Classified School Employee Appreciation Week."

Item approved.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 - 0

**ii. Discussion on Governing Board's Advocacy Trip to Washington, DC**

Board members recently attended an advocacy trip to Washington, D.C., where they engaged in productive discussions on key issues, including E-Rate and rural school funding. The conference was well-organized and provided valuable opportunities to advocate for the full funding of IDEA. A private meeting with Congressman Whitesides further enhanced the impact of the visit. Overall, board members found the trip to be highly worthwhile.

**iii. Consideration of Approving Resolution #24/25-19 Regarding the Absence of Board Member Talley at the April 22, 2025 Board Meeting**

Item approved.

Motion: Smith / Seconded: Solomon

Vote: 4 - 0 - 1

(Talley abstained)

**O. AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

- Discussion on Facilities Master Plan

**P. ADJOURN TO SECOND CLOSED SESSION**

Board members resumed Closed Session at 9:13 PM to discuss previously stated closed session items.

**Q. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Board Members returned to Public Session at 10:33 PM.

**R. REPORT OUT OF SECOND CLOSED SESSION**

Board President Smith announced that the Board took no action in second Closed Session.

**S. ADJOURNMENT**

Board President Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:45 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2025. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM. Open Session begins at 7:00 PM.



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Rachelle Haddoak, Governing Board Clerk



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Dr. Leticia Hernandez, Secretary