

Meeting Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Rose called the Regular meeting of the Governing Board to order at 6:01 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

- 1. Donna Rose, Ernesto Smith, Suzan Solomon, Isaiah Talley, Brian Walters**
Board Members Rose, Smith, Solomon and Talley were present.
All Executive Cabinet Members were present.

Board Member Walters arrived at 6:03 PM.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments.

D. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:01 PM.

- 1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee- Possible Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release of an Employee**
- 2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: Labor Negotiations - Negotiator for the District Amanda Montemayor, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources**

E. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

Board members returned to Public Session at 7:07 PM.

F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

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

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Sheri Staszewski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda approved.

M/S/C- (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 – 0

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2022**
Minutes approved.
M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)
Vote: 5 - 0
- 2. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 29, 2022**
Minutes approved.
M/S/C- (Smith/Talley)
Vote: 4-0-1
Abstain: Walters

J. GOVERNING BOARD AND EXECUTIVE CABINET ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board members Solomon and Talley attended the National School Board Association Annual Conference on April 2nd - 4th and shared their experience attending the different sessions and various guest keynote speakers who presented;
- Board President Rose participated in the District's construction management vendor review panel and will participate in the CSBA policy review session on Wednesday;
- Board member Walters shared he sent an advocacy letter to local legislatures regarding state public school funding;
- Superintendent Pelzel announced the Raising the Curtain Foundation will host its second theater celebration at Newhall Elementary School on April 30th from 9:30 - 11:30 AM. The event is free for all children. The public is encouraged to visit www.raisingthecurtainfoundation.org for more information;
- Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Amanda Montemayor was moved by the retirement letters recently submitted, particularly those from long-standing classified staff members who will be greatly missed.

K. PUBLIC INTEREST**1. Employment of Superintendent: Interviews for Selection of Superintendent Search Firm**

Representatives from Leadership Associates and The Cosca Group provided Board members with information regarding the superintendent search and selection process.

After much discussion and consideration of both presentations, Board member Solomon motioned to approve moving forward with The Cosca Group for the superintendent search, but the motion failed due to a lack of second.

Board member Walters motioned to approve moving forward with Leadership Associates for the superintendent search and the motion carried.

M/S/C- (Walters/Smith)

Vote: 5 - 0

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Stevenson Ranch Teacher Katie Harman and NTA Co-President Hillary Hall addressed the Board on misinformation shared with parents via email pertaining to former negotiations and staff compensation.

M. CONSENT CALENDAR**1. Removal of Items From the Consent Calendar**

Board President Rose removed item M.4.i and Board Member Solomon removed M.3.iii.

2. Consideration of Approving Items on the Consent Calendar

Consent calendar approved with exclusion of Item M.4.i and removal of Item M.4.i.
M/S/C- (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon- Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

Board President Rose recognized the Human Resources Department staff for their efforts to continue staff the various vacancies throughout the District. The Governing Board recognizes how vacancies have almost tripled in the recent months. Item M.4.1: Personnel Report #21/22-17 approved.

M/S/C- (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose – Aye

Smith – Aye

Solomon- Aye

Talley – Aye

Walters - Aye

Item M.3.iii: Recurring Contracts, County of Los Angeles MOA removed for consideration at a separate meeting.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose – Aye

Smith – Aye

Solomon- Aye

Talley – Aye

Walters - Aye

3. **Consent Calendar- Business Services**
 - i. **Consideration of Approving Purchase Orders, B Warrants and Payroll Warrants**
 - ii. **Consideration of Approving Gift Report #21/22-14**
 - iii. **Consideration of Approving Recurring Contracts**
4. **Consent Calendar- Human Resources**
 - i. **Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #21/22-17**
5. **Consent Calendar - Curriculum/Instructional Services**
 - i. **Consideration of Approving the 2022-2023 Accelerated Learning (STEMscopes) invoice**
 - ii. **Consideration of Approving Benchmark Phonics Intervention Kits for Title I Sites**

N. STAFF REPORTS

1. Staff Reports- Curriculum/Instructional Services

i. California Healthy Kids Presentation

Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Dee Jamison shared an overview of student input results from the annual Healthy Kids Survey. The outcomes shared are one metric in the LCAP and help to inform decisions on programs and services.

Board Member Walters expressed concerns over the outcomes at Valencia Valley and Wiley Canyon. Discussions were held on areas requiring further information.

Next steps include discussions with Administrative Collaborative and separate meetings with site administrators to discuss specifics.

ii. **Consideration of Approving Los Angeles County of Education (LACOE) STEM Math Contract for Old Orchard Elementary**

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

iii. **Consideration of Approving Wiley Canyon Elementary Administrator and Staff Attend the American School Counselor Association Conference in Austin, TX July 9-12, 2022**

As a best practice, Board members requested participating staff share conference discussions with their peers at a future professional development.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

2. **Staff Reports- Business Services**

i. **Consideration of Approving the Winter 2021-22 Consolidated Application**

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

3. **Staff Reports- Human Resources**

i. **Consideration of Approving 2022-2023 Newhall School District Tentative Student Attendance Calendar**

Board member Walters requested staff present a calendar for consideration no later than February/March in future years.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Walters)

Vote: 5 - 0

4. **Staff Reports-Administrative Services**

i. **Consideration of Approving Resolution #21/22-19 Ordering Biennial Governing Board Member Elections**

Board members directed staff publish the resolution on the District's website along with other related website.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

ii. **Discussion and Approval to Hold a Special Board Meeting on April 14 or 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM to meet with Superintendent Search Firm**

Board members agreed to move forward with a Special Board meeting on April 14th at 7:00 PM.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

- iii. **Consideration of Approving the Williams Quarterly Summary Report**
Item approved.
M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)
Vote: 5 - 0

O. AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

None.

P. ADJOURN TO CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Board members resumed Closed Session at 9:54 PM to discuss previously stated closed session items.

Q. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

Board Members returned to Public Session at 10:55 PM.

R. REPORT OUT OF SECOND CLOSED SESSION

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

S. ADJOURNMENT

Board President Rose adjourned the meeting at 10:56 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2022. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM. Open Session begins at 7:00 PM.



Board Clerk



Secretary