

MEETING MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Solomon 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, 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.

Board Member Smith arrived at 6:04 PM.

1. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.9: Potential Litigation: Case 24/25-02
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee- Possible Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint of an Employee
3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: Labor Negotiations - Negotiator for the District Amanda Montemayor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Superintendent - 2023-2024 School Year
5. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Superintendent Goals: 2024-2025 School Year

E. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Board members returned to Regular Session at 7:03 PM.

F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Board President Solomon announced no action was taken in Closed Session.

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Oak Hills Principal Jarrod Henry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda approved.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 – 0

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 16, 2024

Minutes approved.

Motion: Talley / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 – 0

J. GOVERNING BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board members were excited after attending the 2024-25 all-staff Welcome Back event hosted at College of the Canyons. It was wonderful to see the comradery and the energy as teams come back together for the new year;
- Board members enjoyed attending the 2024-25 Administrative Retreat and were appreciative of Orenda Education for providing data and sharing great ideas to be implemented in the new year;
- Board President Solomon and Superintendent Hernandez attended the CA Latino School Boards Association annual conference in Monterey, CA where they had the opportunity to present with Orenda Education on baseline system studies from an educator and Board perspective;
- Board President Solomon shared she is excited to welcome back the school communities this week at Back to School Night;
- Superintendent Hernandez thanked the Instructional Services Department for their hard work over the summer in preparation for the new school year;
- Superintendent Hernandez welcomed back all families as they prepare to start the new school year;
- Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Amanda Montemayor introduced newly hired Assistant Principal Carol Mehochko to the NSD Team! Ms. Mehochko will be serving as Assistant Principal at Oak Hills and Peachland Elementary Schools;
- Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Kate Peattie shared the District has provided several training opportunities for teachers and guest teachers over the last two weeks to prepare for the new year.

K. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

L. CORRESPONDENCE**1. Letter on Nominations for Membership of the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization**

Board members nominated Wm. S. Hart Union School District Board Member Cherise Moore to serve on the organization.

Motion: Haddoak / Seconded: Smith

Vote: 5 - 0

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.

Motion: Haddoak / Seconded: Smith

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 District Recurring Contracts
- 4. Consent Calendar- Human Resources
 - i. Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #24/25-02

N. STAFF REPORTS

1. Staff Reports-Administrative Services

- i. **Presentation Regarding 2023/2024 District Marketing Campaign and Consideration of Approving 2024/2025 Campaign**
Jill Mellady of Mellady Marketing provided a presentation on the 2023-2024 campaign and reviewed components and costs of the proposed 2024-2025 campaign.

Suggestions to use pictures of students engaging in other activities other than reading and writing, for example playing an instrument.

Item approved.

Motion: Talley / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 – 0

- ii. **State of the District Planning Conversation**

Board members agreed to provide a meal, transportation, and childcare. A student performance will also be included in the agenda.

Topics of discussion to include:

- 1. An overview of the analyzed data through the Orenda Education partnership
- 2. Attendance impacts on the budget
- 3. An arts education update
- 4. Parent strategies and workshops

Board President Solomon moved to approve hosting the annual State of the District at Wiley Canyon Elementary on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, from 6:00 – 7:30 PM.

Item approved.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

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

Board Policy 2121 approved and waived additional readings.

Motion: Smith / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

2. Staff Reports- Curriculum/Instructional Services

- i. **Consideration of Approving the Community Arts Partnership Agreement with CalArts**
Oak Hills Principal Henry shared that as part of the school's plans to use Proposition 28's arts/music funding, the Oak Hills School community chose to increase art enrichment for all grade levels. The proposed partnership with CalArts will provide all grade levels with six weeks of enrichment instruction, including filmmaking, photography, and stop-motion animation.

Item approved.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 – 0

- ii. **Report on Update to Local Performance Indicator- Priority 1**

The report is an update to a previous report presented on June 25, 2024, regarding the Local Performance Indicators, which are included in the California Dashboard

annually. The California Department of Education has since released updates to the 2022-23 Teaching Assignment Monitoring Outcomes under Priority 1. Newhall School District continues to "Meet Standard" under Priority 1 with correctly assigned teaching staff.

iii. Consideration of Approving the LA County Arts Commission Advancement Grant

Newhall School District is the recipient of an Arts Education Advancement Grant. The overarching goal of this grant is to leverage the concept of rhythm as a support for student language and experience.

Item approved.

Motion: Talley / Seconded: Haddoak

Vote: 5 – 0

iv. Consideration of Approving First Grade Theater Residency at Pico Canyon Elementary School

First grade students at Pico Canyon Elementary School will participate in an eight-week theater residency. Each week, students will participate in a 45-minute lesson, which will integrate grade level Theater and English Language Arts standards.

Item approved.

Motion: Solomon / Seconded: Smith

Vote: 5 – 0

v. Consideration of Approving Instructional Services Board Policies - First Reading

Board Policy 6141.2 approved and waived additional readings.

Motion: Haddoak / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 - 0

Administrative Regulation 6141.2 approved and waived additional readings.

Motion: Robert / Seconded: Smith

Vote: 5 - 0

3. Staff Reports- Business Services

i. Consideration of Approving Instructional Minutes Certification and Bell Schedules for 2024-2025

Annually, school districts must calculate instructional minutes based on bell schedules and academic calendars.

Item approved.

Motion: Talley / Seconded: Robert

Vote: 5 – 0

ii. Consideration of Approving Transportation Facility Joint Use Agreement with William S. Hart Union High School District

Board discussion ensued regarding installation of Newhall's charging stations and the electric buses.

Item approved.

Motion: Smith / Seconded: Talley

Vote: 5 – 0

O. AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

None.

P. ADJOURN TO SECOND CLOSED SESSION

Board members resumed Closed Session at 8:18 PM to discuss previously stated closed session items.

Q. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Board Members returned to Public Session at 9:02 PM.

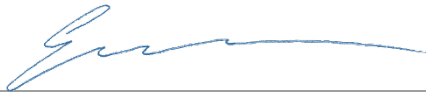
R. REPORT OUT OF SECOND CLOSED SESSION

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

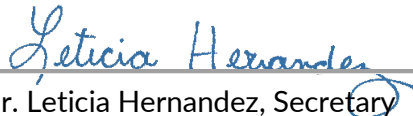
S. ADJOURNMENT

Board President Solomon adjourned the meeting at 9:03 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for August 27, 2024. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM. Open Session begins at 7:00 PM.



Ernesto Smith, Governing Board Clerk



Dr. Leticia Hernandez, Secretary