

Meeting Minutes

Regular Board Meeting 06/28/2022 06:00 PM Newhall School District 25375 Orchard Village Rd Valencia, CA 91355

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Rose called the Regular meeting of the Governing Board to order at 6:00 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

 Donna Rose, Ernesto Smith, Suzan Solomon, Isaiah Talley, Brian Walters Board members Rose, Smith, Solomon and Talley were present. Board member Walters was absent. All Executive Cabinet Members were present.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS There were no public comments.

D. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:01 PM.

Board member Walters arrived at 6:03 PM.

- Conference With Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) Name of case: OAH Special Education Due Process Case No. 2022050626
- 2. Public Employee Appointment/Discussion; Position: Superintendent (Government Code section 54957)
- 3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: Labor Negotiations Negotiator for the District Amanda Montemayor, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
- 4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee- Possible Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint of an Employee

E. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

Board members returned to Public Session at 6:31 PM.

F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

In closed session, the Board approved a settlement agreement in OAH Special Education Due Process Case No. 2022050626, 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 \$9,020, in consideration of a release of claims against the District. The roll call vote was as follows: M/S/C- (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 – 0 Roll call vote: Rose – Aye Smith – Aye Solomon- Aye Talley – Aye Walters - Aye

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Jeff Pelzel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda approved. M/S/C- (Walters/Talley) Vote: 5 – 0

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 11, 2022 Minutes approved. M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0
- Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 14, 2022 Minutes approved. M/S/C- (Walters/Solomon)

Vote: 5 – 0

J. GOVERNING BOARD AND EXECUTIVE CABINET ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board member Solomon and Superintendent Pelzel shared their experience attending the recent CEL training led by Project Director Patty Maxfield. Both commended staff for their commitment and efforts on re-grounding the work already established;
- Board member Solomon welcomed her husband Ezkel Solomon and daughter Samantha Solomon on today's Board meeting;
- Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Dee Jamison shared that preliminary CAASPP testing results reflect phenomenal growth! Mrs. Jamison thanked teachers and site administrators for their efforts;
- Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Amanda Montemayor introduced newly appointed Old Orchard Assistant Principal Mike Curry.

K. PUBLIC INTEREST

1. Consideration of Approving Superintendent's Employment Contract

Board members thanked Leadership Associates for the guidance throughout the hiring process. Board members also thanked staff, parents, the public and Executive Assistant Rosana Valadez for supporting the process and providing input.

Board members thanked Daniel Rodriguez of SCV Security Patrol for providing the refreshments for tonight's reception.

As required by law, Board President Rose read aloud sections of the Superintendent's contract that address compensation.

Board President Rose and Superintendent Pelzel formally introduced and welcomed newly appointed Superintendent Dr. Leticia Hernandez.

Dr. Leticia Hernandez shared a few words.

Item approved. M/S/C- (Walters/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0 Roll call vote: Rose – Aye Smith – Aye Solomon- Aye Talley – Aye Walters - Aye

L. RECESS

President Rose called a short recess at 6:45 PM.

Board members reconvened to Regular Session at 7:10 PM.

M. PUBLIC INTEREST (continued)

 Consideration of Approving the Old Orchard Elementary Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)
 Approved the 2022/2023 Single Plan for Student Achievement for Old Orchard Elementary School
 M/S/C – (Walters/Solomon)

Vote: 5 - 0

 Consideration of Approving the Wiley Canyon Elementary Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)
 Approved the 2022/2023 Single Plan for Student Achievement for Wiley Canyon

Approved the 2022/2023 Single Plan for Student Achievement for Wiley Canyon Elementary School. M/S/C – (Walters/Smith) Vote: 5 - 0

Board President called a short recess at 8:49 PM.

Board members reconvened to Regular Session at 8:54 PM

N. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

Solomon-Aye

O. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

P. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Removal of Items From the Consent Calendar No items removed.
- Consideration of Approving Items on the Consent Calendar Consent calendar approved.
 M/S/C - (Walters/Talley)
 Vote: 5 - 0
 Roll call vote:
 Rose - Aye
 Smith - 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 #21/22-17
 - iii. Consideration of Approving Salvage Report
 - iv. Consideration of Approving 2022-2023 District Recurring Contracts
- 4. Consent Calendar- Human Resources
 - i. Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #21/22-22
- 5. Consent Calendar Administrative Services
 - i. Consideration of Approving Contract with the City of Santa Clarita for Admin Retreat Location Space

Q. STAFF REPORTS

- 1. Staff Reports- Curriculum/Instructional Services
 - Consideration of Approving the Local Performance Indicators Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Walters Talley) Vote: 5 - 0
 - ii. Consideration of Approving the 2022-23 Local Control Accountability Plan Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Smith/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0
 - iii. Consideration of Approving Purchase of Benchmark Decodable Fluency Builders for Grades K-1 Item approved. M/S/C - (Walters/Smith) Vote: 5 - 0
 - iv. Consideration of Approving the Million Little Program at Newhall Elementary Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Solomon/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0

2. Staff Reports- Business Services

 i. Consideration of Approving Resolution #21/22-26 Designating Certain General Funds as Committed Fund Balance for FY 22-23, FY 23-24 & FY 24-25 Item approved. M/S/C - (Walters/Smith) Vote: 5 - 0

ii. Consideration of Approving the FY 2022-2023 Adopted Budget Director of Fiscal Services Kevin Vensko shared the following items that

- changed from the budget presentation shared on June 14, 2022:
 \$8.5m given as a one-time discretionary block grant will now be \$9.1M for 2 different grants, Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant and the Arts, Music and Instruction Materials Discretionary Block Grant
 - ELOP Program funds initially indicated \$2500 per student, has since changed to \$1250 per student due to the finalized language in the state adopted budget.

Budget approved. M/S/C - (Smith/Solomon) Vote: 5 - 0

- iii. Consideration of Approving Declaration of Indefinite Salaries for Retroactive Pay for SY 2022-2023
 Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Walters/Solomon)
 Vote: 5 - 0
- iv. Consideration of Approving Resolution #21/22-29 Temporary Inter-fund Cash Borrowing for FY 22-23 Item approved. M/S/C - (Walters/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0
- v. Consideration of Approving Authorization Allowing Assistant Superintendent, Business Services and Director of Fiscal Services to Make Inter- Fund Cash Transfers for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Item approved. M/S/C - (Talley/Smith) Vote: 5 – 0

vi. Consideration of Approving Changes of Authorized Signatures for Cash Clearing and Revolving Cash Bank Accounts
 Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Walters/Solomon)
 Vote: 5 - 0

3. Staff Reports- Human Resources

- i. Consideration of Approving \$1,000 Master Stipend to Occupational Therapists -Classified Management Item approved. M/S/C - (Walters/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0
- ii. Consideration of Approving \$1,000.00 Master Stipend and Additional 5 Work Days to Psychologists

Item approved. M/S/C - (Walters/Solomon) Vote: 5 – 0

- iii. Consideration of New Classified Job Description and Salary Schedule -Instructional Assistant V - Pre- Kindergarten (for UPK) and Instructional Assistant V- Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) Bilingual Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Walters/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0
- iv. Consideration of Approving Additional Fifteen (15) Days to Preschool Program Administrator
 Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Walters/Solomon)
 Vote: 5 - 0
- Consideration of Approving Revised Increase Salary Schedule and Revised Job Description for Executive Assistant to Superintendent Item approved. M/S/C - (Solomon/Talley) Vote: 5 - 0
- vi. Consideration of Approving Declaration of Need for the School Year 2022-2023 Item approved.
 M/S/C - (Walters/Smith) Vote: 5 - 0

4. Staff Reports-Administrative Services

i. Approval of MOU between The Charles and Patricia Rasmussen Foundation and the Newhall School District

Board member Solomon shared that the District has been working on a comprehensive theater performing arts program called Walnut Street Players that that will align the arts with school curriculum to create career pathways for students who want to go into theater arts as their career.

NSD is honored to be able to provide such a program thanks to the Charles and Patricia Rasmussen Foundation. The Foundation will donate \$100,000 over ten years to fund the program. The District will match the annual \$10,000 donation through any available source.

Item approved with language amendments. M/S/C - (Solomon/Talley) Vote: 5 – 0

ii. Consideration of Approving the Newhall School District Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan

Item approved. M/S/C - (Solomon/Talley) Vote: 5 – 0

- iii. Discussion and Consideration of Approving Contractual Salary Incentive for Assistant Superintendent, Business Services Item approved. M/S/C - (Smith/Talley) Vote: 5 – 0
- iv. Discussion and Consideration of Approving Contractual Salary Incentive for Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Item approved. M/S/C - (Solomon/Talley) Vote: 5 – 0

Governing Board Presentation ٧.

Last meeting with JP and DJ - recognized and thanked for leadership and relationship - all done for staff members and students. Commitment to kids and public education - gift on behalf of the Board and Dreambox. Wish you well. Will be missed.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD R.

July 19th Meeting: Valencia Valley SPSA Presentation and Update Governance • Handbook

ADJOURN TO CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION S. There was no continuation of Closed Session.

Т. **ADJOURNMENT**

Board President Rose adjourned the meeting at 9:48 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for July 19, 2022. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM. Open Session begins at 7:00 PM.

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Board Clerk

Leticia Herander Secretary