

Meeting Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Rose called the Special meeting of the Governing Board to order at 7:00 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

- 1. Donna Rose, Ernesto Smith, Suzan Solomon, Isaiah Talley, Brian Walters**
All Board Members were present.
Executive Cabinet Members Jamison, Pelzel and Staszewski were present.
Executive Cabinet Member Montemayor was absent.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments.

D. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Adjourned to Closed Session at 7:01 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 7:31 PM

F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

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

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Jeff Pelzel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following District teachers expressed their frustrations and concerns over fair and equitable compensation, equitable health benefits, morale, class sizes, and staff shortages:

Kayleigh Felt
Katie Harman
Clarissa Smith
Shelby Levine
Beth Judge
Lauren Boiles
Melanie Musella
Hillary Hall
Joseph Soqui
Karen O'Neill

Michelle Merrill
Lindsey Novak

J. STAFF REPORTS

1. Staff Reports - Human Resources

i. Consideration of Accepting Resignation of Jeff Pelzel, Superintendent of the Newhall School District

Stevenson Ranch Elementary parent Suverna Mistry expressed her appreciation of Superintendent Pelzel for his leadership, guidance and perseverance over the past few years.

Governing Board members also expressed their gratitude for the exceptional work and leadership Superintendent Pelzel has demonstrated during these past few challenging years. The Board recognized Mr. Pelzel's accomplishments in his years as Superintendent, including a legacy of innovation brought to instruction and the ability to truly collaborate, innovate, persevere, and excel.

Mr. Pelzel will be sincerely be missed.

Superintendent Pelzel expressed his gratitude to the Governing Board, the dedicated and talented staff of the Newhall School District and his team for playing a major role in his success.

Resignation accepted.
M/S/C- (Walters/Talley)
Vote: 5 - 0

ii. Consideration of Approving Request for Proposals ("RFP") for the Recruitment and Hiring of a Superintendent for the Newhall School District

RFP approved with amendments.
M/S/C- (Walters/Solomon)
Vote: 5 - 0

2. Staff Reports - Administrative Services

i. Consideration of Approving Update to Resolution #21/22-15: Continuing Authority to Hold Virtual Meetings Pursuant to AB 361 and Allowing Virtual Public Comments

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

K. ADJOURN TO CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Board members resumed Closed Session at 8:27 PM to discuss previously stated closed session items.

L. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

Board Members returned to Public Session at 9:55 PM.

M. REPORT OUT OF SECOND CLOSED SESSION

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

N. ADJOURNMENT

Board President Rose adjourned the meeting at 9:56 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2022. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM. Open Session begins at 7:00 PM.



Board Clerk



Secretary