

Meeting Minutes

Regular Board Meeting 05/10/2022 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 All Board Members present.
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.

- 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. 2022040095
- 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 of Human Resources

E. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

Board members returned to Public Session at 6:38 PM.

F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

In closed session, the Board approved a settlement agreement in OAH Special Education Due Process Case No. 2022040095, pursuant to which the District, without admission of fault, has agreed to fund and provide specified educational services, and to reimburse attorneys fees in an amount not to exceed \$10,300, in consideration of a release of claims against the District. The roll call vote was as follows:

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

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director of Business and Fiscal Services Kevin Vensko led the Pledge of Allegiance.

H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda approved with amendments. Public Comments moved ahead of Public Interest. M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 26, 2022 Minutes approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

J. GOVERNING BOARD AND EXECUTIVE CABINET ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board member Solomon shared sites are currently hosting their annual spring music concerts;
- Board member Walters had a great experience attending Pico Canyon's Open House. It was terrific to see families interacting with teachers in person;
- Board member Walters announced he intends to re-run for the NSD Governing Board and looks forward to continuing to serve the District;
- Superintendent Pelzel shared this week is National Nurses Week and Wednesday is National School Nurse Day. Mr. Pelzel commended the efforts of NSD's Nurses, Sandi Gault, Danielle Ewing and Collette Sims, who have played a pivotal role during the pandemic. He thanked Sandi Gault who is retiring after 17 years in the Newhall School District;
- Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Amanda Montemayor shared her productive experience attending the ACSA "Lead with Pride" conference in San Diego;
- Mrs. Montemayor announced NTA and the District have reached a tentative negotiation agreement and thanked all involved in the process;
- Mrs. Montemayor formally introduced the following newly appointed staff members beginning July 1, 2022:
 - o Marguerite Armstrong, Site Principal
 - o Michelle Kranz, Site Principal
 - Kate Peattie, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services

K. PUBLIC INTEREST

1. Construction Management Firm Presentations and Selection Process

The Governing Board interviewed construction firms Fonder-Salari Inc., Bernard's Bros. Inc., and AMG & Associates Inc. for the selection of the District's 11th school in the new FivePoint development. Firms were given 20 minutes to present, along with 10 additional minutes to answer Board member questions. The Board utilized a scoring system to rank the three firms presenting.

Based on ranking results and after discussion and consideration, the Governing Board selected Fonder-Salari Inc., and directed staff to negotiate a final contract to present for approval at a future meeting.

M/S/C - (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5-0

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

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.

M/S/C - (Walters/Talley)

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

- Consent Calendar- Business Services
 - i. Consideration of Approving Purchase Orders, B Warrants and Payroll Warrants
 - ii. Consideration of Approving Gift Report #21/22-15
 - iii. Consideration of Approving Recurring Contracts
- 4. Consent Calendar- Human Resources
 - Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #21/22-19
- 5. Consent Calendar Curriculum/Instructional Services
 - Consideration of Approving Renewal of Studies Weekly Subscription for Academic Year 2022-2023

The Governing Board took a short recess at 9:12 PM.

Open Session resumed at 9:17 PM.

N. STAFF REPORTS

- 1. Staff Reports- Business Services
 - i. Facilities, Maintenance and Operations Department Summer Project Presentation Director of Facilities Fred Palmer provided an update on the projects scheduled to be completed over the summer, including proposed replacement of the District's irrigation controller system and improvements to the Annex at Newhall Elementary.

After discussing options that included expanding Facilities across the District, and remodeling the Annex to expand the capability of the Newhall Family Theatre to include rehearsal space, Green Rooms, etc, through a future facilities bond measure, the Board gave direction to move forward with all projects listed in the presentation.

- 2. Staff Reports-Administrative Services
 - Approval of Resolution #21/22-21 Declaring May 15-21 as Classified School Appreciation Week

Board members commended all classified staff for their continued support of students. The Board appreciates their high level of commitment, especially given the challenges presented over the last few years.

Item approved.

M/S/C - (Walters/Smith)

Vote: 5 - 0

ii. Consideration of Approving Resolution #21/22-22 - Update/Revision of Board Bylaw Exhibit 9270

Bylaw resolution approved and waived additional readings.

M/S/C - (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

3. Staff Reports- Curriculum/Instructional Services

i. Consideration of Approving Contract with Rosalinda Moran as Consultant to the Dual Language Immersion Program at Old Orchard Elementary for 2022-23

Item approved.

M/S/C - (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Consideration of Approving RISE Expanded Learning Proposal at Newhall Elementary for Summer 2022

Item approved.

M/S/C - (Walters/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Consideration of Approving the Purchase of McKinney Vento Supplies for 2022-23

Item approved.

M/S/C - (Smith/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

4. Staff Reports- Human Resources

 Consideration and Adoption of the Proposed Decision Regarding Reduction or Discontinuance of Particular Kinds of Service Pursuant to Ed. Code Section 45117

Board members requested staff monitor site needs to determine if hours need to be restored.

Item approved.

M/S/C - (Walters/Smith)

Vote: 5 - 0

ii. Consideration of Revision of Preschool Office Manager Job Description

Item approved as amended.

M/S/C - (Walters/Solomon)

Vote: 5 - 0

O. AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

- Site SPSA Presentations
- LCAP budget hearings

P. ADJOURN TO CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Board members resumed Closed Session at 9:44 PM to discuss previously stated closed session items.

Q. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

Board Members returned to Public Session at 10:45 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 10:46 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2022. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM. Open Session begins at 7:00 PM.

Board Clerk

Secretary