

# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

# Board of Education Members

Chinua Rhodes, President (Trustee Area 5)
Lavinia Grace Phillips, Vice President (
Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)
Taylor Kayatta (Trustee Area 6)
Liam McGurk, Student Member

Thursday, June 22 2023 4:30 p.m. Closed Session

4:30 p.m. Closed Session 6:30 p.m. Open Session

# Serna Center

Community Conference Rooms 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824

# **MINUTES**

2022/2334

## 1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:29 p.m.

Members present:

Member Singh

Member Kayatta

Member Pritchett

Member Jeane

Members absent:

President Rhodes

Member Phillips

Member Villa

Student Member McGurk

# 2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

No public comment

## 3.0 CLOSEDSESSION

While the Brown Act creates broad public access rights to the meetings of the Board of Education, it also recognizes

- 3.1 Government Code 54956.9 Conference with Legal Counsel:

  a) Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code 54956.9 Conference with Legal Counsel:
  - *a)* Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9 (Three Potential Cases)
- 3.2 Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA SEIU, TCS, Teamsters, UPE, Non-Represented/Confidential Management (Superintendent Jorge A. Aguilar)
- 3.3 Government Code 54957 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment
- 3.4 Education Code 48918- The Board will hear staff recommendation on the following student expulsions: Expulsion# 25 2022/2023 (Lisa Allen and Stephan Brown)
- 3.5 Government Code 54957 Public Employee Appointment
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- By a vote of 4-0 with Board members Rhodes, Phillips, and Villa absent, the Board

out with not only the community, but with staff when they meet with the parents, and come to the agreement about how the synchronous instruction will be determined, how often, and what format it will take place. Independent study is different than virtual instruction. Virtual instruction is about the students having all their courses in virtual learning and that format is all online, where independent study is where students do a majority of the work independently with the live interaction synchronously.

# 8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 Employee Organization Reports:

# 8.2 District Advisory Committees:

- f Community Advisory Committee- No update
- f District English Learner Advisory Committee- No update
- f Local Control Accountability Plan/Parent Advisory Committee-No update
- f Student Advisory Council- No update
- f Black/African American Advisory Board- No update

# 11.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

11.1 Approve 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan Adoption (Krystal Thomas)

Krystal Thomas shared that she is hoping to gain the Board's approval on the draft LCAP with the understanding that revisions will need to be made. This includes adding recommendations from our educational partners without budgetary implications. This is imperative to rebuilding trust with our community. Ms. Thomas shared LCAP department goals and the LCAP structure and key features which include budget overview for parents, plan summary (general information about SCUSD, reflections of areas of success and growth, and LCAP highlights), comprehensive supports and services to schools, increased or improved services for socioeconomically disadvantaged students, foster youth and English learners, and fiscal reporting.

Public Comment:
No public comment

commitments, a summary, and the request to approve Resolution No. 3332.

Public Comment:

committee came to an agreement and these 3 specific names. After each of the meeting, with each of the sites, the committees came back together to confirm these recommendations to be brought to the Board. Next steps, are to officially announce the names, record the official name changes with the California Department of Education, identify any immediate site needs to be addressed through routine maintenance, provide trainings for students, staff, and community members so they all can best support the name change efforts, and develop larger scopes of work that will be completed next summer.

Public Comment: No public comment

#### **Board Comments:**

Member Singh reiterated his excitement for the renaming of the schools. Member Singh appreciates that this went through community process, a process that was deliberate, and he is excited about continuing to do this work with other schools. There are people that are not going to except this change, and Member Singh is excited to work with the community and collaborate with Nathaniel s team to support on how to have these conversations, so he can be supportive as a Board member. Especially, for the 2 schools in Member Singh s area.

President Rhodes thanked Mr. Browning and the committee for their work, and stated that this district is continuing to bend the arch for a more equitable and just environment for everyone.

Member Phillips made a motion with a second from Member Singh. The Board voted 4-0 with Members Kayatta, Pritchett, and Villa absent.

# 11.5 Early Literacy Support Block (ELSB) Grant Updates (Erin Hanson and Shannon Pella)

Shannon Pella shared that this block grant is the result of a Senate Bill 98 which was passed in 2021, which appropriated \$50 million to the 75 schools across California whose 3<sup>rd</sup> students scored at a level one. We have 4 of our schools that have been identified as being in that range. The goals of the grant are to support the high-quality tier 1 instruction, specifically, in the area of foundational literacy skills which suggests a structured literacy approach.

Public Comment:
No public comment

Board Comments: No Board comments

President Rhodes made a motion with a second from Member Phillips. The Board voted 5-0 with Members Pritchett and Villa absent.

#### 12.0 COMMUNICATIONS

Public comment: Idae Berola Emily (last name unknown)

- 12.1 Superintendent's Report (Jorge A. Aguilar) Groundbreaking ceremonies were held for campus rebuilds at Edward Kemble and Cesar Chavez, as well as, Nicholas Elementary, and we look forward to our rebuild at Oakridge. The groundbreaking events are a celebration of SCUSD, and marks the culmination of years of strategic planning by our staff and community. At our last Board meeting, staff presented on our proposal for consideration to the Board where we will pursue a \$538 million bond next year to continue this work moving forward. Our facilities improvements are not limited to these 3 rebuilds, and a lot more investments are being made through Measure H. Twenty five of our sites are currently going to exterior and gym lighting upgrades to be more energy efficient. We have installed more campus shade structures throughout the district. The Hiram Johnson football stadium project was our largest project this school year. The new swimming pool at Luther Burbank High School has been filled and will be ready for swimming by the end of the month. The Superintendent congratulated six students that received the Girl Scouts Gold Award. The Superintendent shared that he had the opportunity to attend all 15 of our high school ceremonies, and wished all the graduates happiness and success in their next journey.
- 12.2 President s Report (Chinua Rhodes)- President Rhodes wanted to say congratulations to all the families and students that completed Another academic year.
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# 13.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Generally routine items are approved by one motion without discussion. The Superintendent or a Board member may request an item be pulled from the consent agenda and voted upon stapparate

- 13.1 Items Subject or Not Subject to Closed Session:
  - 13.1a Approve Grants, Entitlements and Other Income Agreements, Ratification of Other Agreements, Approval of Bid Awards, Approval of Declared Surplus Materials and Equipment, Change Notices and Notices of Completion (Rose Ramos)
  - 13.1b Approve Personnel Transactions (Cancy McArn)
  - 13.1c Approve Mandatory Reporting to the Sacramento County Office of Education-Uniform Complaints Regarding the Williams Settlement Processed for the Period of January 2023 through March 2023 (Cancy McArn)
  - 13.1d Approve Contract for Legal Services with Fagen Friedman & Fulfrost LLP and Response to Request for Qualifications (Rose Ramos)
  - 13.1e Approve J-13A Waiver Request and Affidavit (Rose Ramos)
  - 13.1f Approve Business and Financial Report: Warrants, Checks and Electronic Transfers issued for the Period of May 1-31, 2023 (Rose Ramos)
  - 13.1g Approve Donations to the District for the Period of May 1-31, 2023 (Rose Ramos)
  - 13.1h Approve PO Board Report for the Period of 4/15/23-5/14/23 (Rose Ramos)
  - 13.1i Approve School Plan for Student Achievement Approval (Kelley Odipo)
  - 13.1j Approve Minutes for the April 13, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting (Jorge A. Aguilar)
  - 13.1k Approve Minutes for the April 27, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting (Jorge A. Aguilar)
  - 13.11 Approve Minutes for the May 4, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting (Jorge A. Aguilar)
  - 13.1m Approve Minutes for the May 18, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting (Jorge A. Aguilar)
  - 13.1n Approve Resolution No. 3327: Resolution to Convey Easement Entitlements to the City of Sacramento for a Public Sidewalk in front of Ethel Phillips Elementary (Rose Ramos)
  - 13.10 Approve 1-Year Extensions To Existing Charter Facilities Use Agreements

- 13.1p Approve Joint Venture and License Agreement Between Sacramento City Unified School District and A Different Path (Rose Ramos)
- 13.1q Approval of Request to Amend Hours to Council on Occupational Education Programs in CAJ Regional Manufacturing Training Center: Introduction to Manufacturing; Electro-Mechanical Assembly; Material Handling and Logistics (Rose Ramos)
- 13.1r Approve Staff Recommendations for Expulsion, # 25 2022/2023 (Lisa Allen and Stephan Brown)
- 13.1s Approve Retention of 5 Firms for the Architectural Services Pool in Response to Request for Qualifications (Rose Ramos)

Member Phillips requested to pull item 13.1r. Member Kayatta requested to pull items

it to anyone else. We need to be better about how we have these conversations with employees before moving to have private contractors. The language that Member Singh is providing, acknowledges where we are is where we are, and we need to get these contracts in place, because students need these services. We also need to acknowledge that we need to be better at attracting and retaining educators in-house. Member Jeane

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there are reasons why we must vote to expel a student, in the event that the student does not meet the criteria, she feels that as a district there is more that we can do. Member Phillips shared that we have significant issues with family structures that bleed into our schools, and she does not believe that we are in the position to penalize students that do not violate that 5 categories for expulsion.

Member Phillips made a motion to approve with a second from President Rhodes. The Board voted 3-2 with Members Pritchett and Villa absent.

## 14.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

- **9** August 17, 2023, 4:30 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting
- **9** September 7, 2023, 4:30 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting

## 15.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Rhodes adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.
Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent and Board Secretary

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