

City Unified  
School District

# BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item # 4.2.1

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Subject: Approve Minutes for the September 21, 2023 Regular Board of



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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Chinua Rhodes, President (Trustee Area 5)  
Lavinia Grace Phillips, Vice President (Trustee Area 7)

Thursday, September 21, 2023

4:30 p.m. Closed Session

6:30 p.m. Open Session

Tara Jeane (Trustee Area 1)  
Christina Pritchett (Trustee Area 3)  
Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)

Serna Center

- 3.1 *Government Code 54956.9 - Conference with Legal Counsel:*  
a) *Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9 (Two Potential Cases)*  
b) *Existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code section 54956.9 (OAH Case No. 2023080243)*

3.2 *Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA*

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- 3.4 *Government Code 54957- Public Employee Appointment*  
a) *Approve – Assistant Superintendent Special Education*  
b) *Approve – Theodore Judah, Principal*

**CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- 4.1 *The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Interim Superintendent Allen*
- 4.2 *Ceremonial Oath of Office Given to Newly Elected Student Board Member Liliana Miller Segura by Board Member Pritchett*
- 4.3 *Broadcast Statement by Student Board Member Liliana Miller Segura*
- 4.4 *Stellar Teacher introduced by Board Member Jasjit Singh*

*Sara Bailey  
Margee Burch  
Marley Minamide  
Heather Bennett  
Scholastica Schatz  
Alma Garcia  
Elvia Vasquez*

*Mo Kashmiri*

**8.0 TIONS**

**8.1 Employee Organization Reports**

*SCTA-Nikki Milevsky thanked the Board for the changes*

13<sup>th</sup> for this year. B/AAAB will be holding their Family and Parent Engage

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ment meeting as well as their District's Accountability

approving their budget for the year. Malachi Smith shared that he

- *a Community Schools Implementation Team (CSIT) that includes school community stakeholders that represent the diversity and cultural composition of the community the school serves, and;*
- *an annual asset and needs assessment of and by both school and community, and;*

[REDACTED]

- *a strategic plan that results in the creation of [REDACTED]*
- *various problem solving teams dedicated to continuous improvement, and;*
- *the e [REDACTED] ment of partners who bring assets and expertise to help implement the building blocks of community schools, and;*

*The next "Be It Further Resolved," mentions that the district needs to have its own committee to be able to support all of the school site committees. The last, "Be It Further Resolved," recognizes that we need resources to make this happen.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

[REDACTED]

*Member Pritchett asked that in terms of the last, "Be It Resolved," Member Pritchett wondered if we should add the City of Rancho Cordova since Abraham Lincoln is one of the schools listed.*

*Member Kayatta thanked Member Jeane for bringing this resolution forward. Member Kayatta shared that there was a public comment earlier where an individual shared that we need to know what a Community School is and how they function, what they are, and how they can be involved.*

*Member Kayatta has trouble understanding what Community Schools are because when you read it you understand and*

*Member Jeane made a motion to move with a second from Member Pritchett. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

9.2 *Approve Resolution No. 3345: National Suicide Prevention and Recovery Month ( Jacqueline Garner)*

*Jacqueline Garner presented the resolution for National Suicide Prevention and stated that September is also National Recovery Month. Ms. Garner shared that with this resolution we recognize that the week of September 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, is National Suicide Prevention Week*

*Public Comment.  
None*

*Board Comment:  
Student Member Segura shared that she really appreciates the resolution from a student perspective. Member Segura says that they are weakened by the lack of mental health resources in our district. and thanked staff for*

*bringing this resolution forth.*

*Member Villa made a motion to move with a second from Member Jeane. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

9.3 *Approve Resolution No. 3346: Recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month (Board Member Lavinia Phillips)*

*Member Phillips presented the resolution and shared history regarding the use of the word Hispanic. Member Phillips wanted to go over some points prior to reading the resolution regarding the use of the word Hispanic in the document. Member Phillips has found that the word Hispanic, which is used in this particular document, is tied to U.S. consensus data, and comes across as not being completely inclusive. Member Phillips wanted to share the erasure of people in regard to the word Hispanic. Member Phillips recognizes that it is not the best identifier to use, but*

*Board Comments:*

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*Member Singh shared that Member Dhillon commented that*

[REDACTED]

*history prior to sharing the resolution. Member Singh shared that when we talk about the immigrant community, we talk about the struggles, and use words like, resilience, overcoming, working hard, but in reality, everyone that comes to this country deserves to have an equal right and equal opportunity at making a life for themselves. Member Singh thinks that recognizing that our district is over 40% students who are of Latinx, Hispanic, Latino Heritage, that we continue our dedication to these students and wants to recognize the amount of parents and families that show up on the first and third of the month into this space, and speak their mother tongue to advocate. Member Singh shared that*

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**11.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

**11.1 Superintendent Search Firms Presentations and Selection  
(Board President Chinua Rhodes)**

*Board President Rhodes shared that there are three search*

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*what they've learned to their process in finding a Superintendent.*

*Member Phillips shared that over the last few years, there has been very limited improvement for our Black and Brown students. Sometimes we have to be revolutionary in the choices that we make, and we shouldn't just pick the cheapest bid. The Board needs to do their due diligence. The choosing*

*of this Superintendent cannot be simple. Member Phillips does not want to cut corners at all, and the Board is working on putting themselves together. Member Phillips wanted to know if the search firms have had experience with Boards that have clashed.*

*Member Duitobett reiterated that she would like additional*

*information to call and do reference checks for each firm.*

*Student Member Segura asked what Tenderskin & Associates*

*estimated timeline would to have a Superintendent put in place.*

*Member Kayatta hears that the Board needs more time, so he would like to withdraw his previous statement. Member*

*Kayatta expressed with the Board and believe that the Board*

*Member Jeane shared that school finances is very confusing, but when we look at unaudited actuals, these are all real dollars. On page 9 of the PowerPoint slide, it shows the actual dollars of our budget for 2022-23. The downside is that we don't get to see the*

*Member Jeane is excited to see the health of the district's budget, and the revenue that is coming in, is more than the expenditures.*

*Member Kayatta thanked Jesse and Cindy for being here, and for all their hard work. Member Kayatta thanked staff for bringing up SCOE's letter. Member Kayatta shared that we are not required to pay for a fiscal advisory, but SCOE says that*

*Member Pritchett made a motion to move with a second from Member Villa. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

*11.3 Approve the Submission of Provisional Internship Permit Applications to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (Tami Mora)*

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*Tami Mora presented on the submission of provisional internship permit applications to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and requested the Board's approval. These permits will enable teachers the opportunity to complete the requirements set forth by CCTC and remain in their positions, while they continue their work with students.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
No Board comment*

*Member Pritchett made a motion to move with a second from Member Singh. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

*11.4 Carbon Neutral Goals and Guidelines for SCUSD Buildings (Nathaniel Brownino & Chamberlain Segrest)*

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*Chamberlain Segrest presented on carbon neutral goals and guidelines for SCUSD buildings by sharing the initial process, goals and guidelines, costs of inaction, and next steps.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Jeane wanted to know why a resolution would be the next step. What is the process of developing the resolution?*

*Staff also noted that the resolution was drafted by M. P. P. P.*

*other local school districts are doing some of these same things in regard to planning. Member Villa loves that we are a pioneer in this region, and this is such a big initiative in our district, and she would love for others to mirror what we are doing here in the future. Chamberlain shared that they are working with New Building Institute, and have looked at South Lake Tahoe, Portland, Oakland, San Francisco, and San Diego, who are working on similar sustainability efforts.*

*Member Phillips asked to clarify the acronym "HRV".*

*Chamberlain shared that it was a typo and it stands for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning. Member Phillips asked if*

*know how this would impact the new schools that are under construction and being built currently. Staff shared that they*

*improvement. There are definitely reasons that we have to do it, and we know we have a lot of teacher vacancies, so if we have a teacher*

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what improvements we can come up with, so we can avoid and do this as  
minimally as needed.*

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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 separately.*

13.1

*13.1a Approve Grants, Entitlements and Other Income Agreements, Ratification of Other Agreements Approval of Rid Awards Approval of Declared Surplus Materials*

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*and Equipment, Change Notices and Notices of Completion  
(Jesse Castillo)*

*13.1b Approve Personnel Transactions (Cancy McArn)*

*13.1c Approve PO Board Report Period of August 1-31, 2023 (Jesse Castillo)*

*13.1d Approve Consolidated Application (ConApp) 2023-2024 Spring Report and LCAP Addendum (Dr. Kelley Odipo)*

*13.1e Approve Board Report 2023-2024 Spring Report and LCAP Addendum*

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**15.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned at 10:29 p.m. in the memory of the Diaz Upton family.*

*J. C. [Signature]*

*and Board Secretary*

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