Saddleback Valley USD Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

May 06, 2021, 6:00 PM

Under the authority of the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, this meeting will be held via teleconference. There will be no physical meeting location open to the public to observe the meeting.

Closed Session begins at 5:00 pm

Public Session begins at 6:00 pm

Attendance Taken at 5:00 PM:

Present:
Greg Kunath
Amanda Morrell
Barbara Schulman
Suzie Swartz
Dr. Edward Wong

I. REGULAR BOARD MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

II. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

President Swartz called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

III. OPEN SESSION - Public may address Board on Closed Session Agenda

Minutes:

No comments were received.

IV. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:01 p.m.

IV.a. Student Expulsion(s) or Disciplinary Matters for Violation of Board Policy 5144.1

IV.b. Negotiations Discussion (Government Code Section 54957.6) Employee Organizations; CSEA, SVEA and SVPSA / Agency Negotiator: Connie Cavanaugh, Assistant Superintendent

IV.c. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Government Code Section 54957)

IV.d. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957)

V. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION 6:00 p.m.

Minutes:

President Swartz reconvened the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Madison Goseco, Student Board Member.

VII. ROLL CALL

Minutes:

Board Members Present:
Suzie R. Swartz
Amanda Morrell (via video conference)
Dr. Edward Wong
Greg Kunath
Barbara Schulman

Also present were:

Crystal Turner Ed.D., Superintendent Madison Goseco, Student Board Member Aidan Irving, Student Representative Kaitlyn Heinecke, Student Representative

VII.a. Report of Closed Session

Minutes:

President Swartz reported that in Closed Session the Board took action to approve the request of 2 certificated administrative employees, to be reassigned to a teaching assignment within the scope of their credentials beginning in the 2021-2022 school year. The Board members voted as follows:

Trustee Morrell-aye Trustee Schulman-aye Trustee Wong-aye Trustee Kunath-aye President Swartz-aye

President Swartz reported that in Closed Session the Board approved to ratify the Resignation Agreement and General Release between the District and a Certificated Employee. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, the Certificated Employee will retire effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year, and will remain in paid administrative leave status through the date of retirement. Under the agreement, the Certificated Employee releases the District from any and all legal claims. The Board members voted as follows:

Trustee Morrell-aye Trustee Schulman-aye Trustee Wong-aye Trustee Kunath-aye President Swartz-aye

VIII. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Adopt agenda, as presented. Passed with a motion by Dr. Edward Wong and a second by Greg Kunath.

Yes Greg Kunath
Yes Amanda Morrell
Yes Barbara Schulman
Yes Suzie Swartz
Yes Dr. Edward Wong

IX. PRESENTATIONS

IX.a. ACSA Every Student Succeeding Award - presented by Kathy Martin, Principal, Melinda Heights Elementary.

Minutes:

Principal Kathy Martin provided an overview of the ACSA Every Student Succeeding Award program. Each year, ACSA recognizes nineteen students, one from each geographic region, as well as two California adult education students, for overcoming the odds and achieving success. This year, Lily Marchiondo, a Melinda Heights Elementary student, received this award. After highlighting Lily's qualities and accomplishments, Trustee Schulman presented a certificate to her on behalf of the SVUSD Board of Education.

IX.b. Holocaust Art and Writing Contest Winners, Chapman College - presented by Jeb Berry, Teacher, Trabuco Hills High School

Minutes:

James Newton, Director, Secondary Education, presented three Trabuco Hills High School students who achieved high accolades in the 2021 Chapman University Holocaust Art and Writing Contest. This is an international contest with over 5,000 entries each year. Orianne Adams had one of the top three artworks accepted into the highly competitive competition, Maya Benham was one of the top 7 finalists, and Arantza Guerena won 1st place. After congratulating the students, President Swartz presented each of them with certificates on behalf of the SVUSD Board of Education.

X. REPORTS

X.a. Coastline Regional Occupational Program (CROP) Report - presented by Barbara Schulman, CROP Representative

Minutes:

Barbara Schulman provided a Coastline ROP report. Superintendent Carol Hume and J.S. Coke met with all but one of the local legislators and Trustee Schulman joined the meeting with Senator Min. Coastline ROP is working with legislators to help increase the CTE Incentive Grant funding to \$300M which would allow for more class options.

The RFA for the CTE Incentive Grant was released and there is an incentive to apply as a consortium. Coastline ROP is also opposing AB 388, which would not allow for flexibility for teachers in the ROP.

Even through the pandemic, the ROP has helped students receive certifications in the areas of dental and nursing assistants. Some of these students are now working and earning a living in their field of choice.

X.b. PTA Council Report - presented by Michele Sparks, SVPTA President

Minutes:

Cindy Strange provided a report on behalf of Michele Sparks. There is a lot of positivity as we enter the last month of school. Events such as plays, concerts, graduations, and promotions are being planned safely. SVPTA is proud of the PTA units for their creativity in finding ways to support students and appreciate teachers. SVPTA is thankful to be able to provide input to the LCAP and grateful that the plans include mental health support which PTA continues to advocate for. Working closer with the CAC, SVPTA plans to sponsor events and working towards having a PTA special education liaison at every campus. PTA is also looking to add a bilingual liaison to their team as well as a diversity and inclusiveness advocate. Planning for next year has begun with excitement and hope.

X.c. Saddleback Valley Educators Association Report - presented by Joyanne Goodfellow, SVEA President

Minutes:

Joyanne Goodfellow, SVEA President, provided a report. This has been a unique year and she believes that all the teachers, staff, students and parents have done a great job. This is Teacher Appreciation Week and it was wonderful to have the Teachers of Year Celebration at Los Alisos this past week. She congratulated all of the site winners. Along with the students, the PTSOs and PTAs have celebrated the teachers at all sites. It has been a difficult year, but one we have all learned from.

X.d. Student Board Member and High School Representatives Reports

Minutes:

Student Board Member Madison Goseco and the High School Representatives reported on the activities and events of their home and adopted schools.

X.d.1. Board of Education Recognition of 2020-2021 Student Board Member and Student Representatives

Minutes:

President Swartz recognized and thanked Student Board Member Madison Goseco and the Student Representatives for their dedication in providing reports throughout the year.

X.e. Expanded Learning Opportunities Plan - presented by Liza Zielasko, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services; and Michael Gomez, Ed.D., District Coordinator, Assessment and Accountability

Minutes:

A report regarding the Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant Plan (ELO) was presented by Liza Zielasko, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services, and Michael Gomez, Ed.D., District Coordinator, Assessment & Accountability. Prior to beginning the presentation, Connie Cavanaugh, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources & Fiscal Services, provided a summary of the funding sources and allowable uses. Liza Zielasko began the presentation and explained that the funding is a result of Assembly Bill 86. The ELO Plan must be Board approved on or before June 1, 2021. The process and timeline were reviewed along with the plan requirements. Feedback and actions in the plan were reviewed in all seven areas. Mental health and welfness support is a top priority and addressing students' needs and learning gaps is critical.

XI. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS (on any item NOT on the Agenda)

Minutes:

The Board agreed to move this item and hear comments following the adoption of the agenda and before the presentations.

There were a total of 6 comments received, 2 in-person and 4 submitted electronically.

The following in-person comments were provided:

Michael Lee addressed the Board to share his teaching experience this past year. Todd Schulman addressed the Board regarding Special Education staffing.

The following comments submitted electronically were read aloud by Mark Perez: Erin Wilson, Claire Mendenhall, and Lisa Matro submitted comments regarding masks.

Jeff Tescher submitted comments regarding 8th grade promotional activities.

XII. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS (on any item ON the Agenda)

Minutes:

The Board agreed to move this item and hear comments following the adoption of the agenda and before the presentations.

No comments were submitted in person. One comment was received electronically and was read aloud by Mark Perez.

Marianne Mirth submitted a comment regarding the expenditure of one-time monies received by the District.

XIII. ACTION ITEMS

XIII.a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

XIII.a.1. Approval: Expulsion of Students for Violation of Board Policy 5144.1

Motion Passed: The Superintendent of Saddleback Valley Unified School District hereby recommends that the Governing Board consider: The stipulated Expulsion Agreements of SVUSD students (3 cases) in Attachment A to this item. Passed with a motion by Dr. Edward Wong and a second by Greg Kunath.

Yes Greg Kunath

Yes Amanda Morrell

Yes Barbara Schulman

Yes Suzie Swartz

Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b. HUMAN RESOURCES

XIII.b.1. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 13:20-21 to Recognize and Honor Saddleback Valley Unified School District Teachers

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 13:20-21, to participate in this event by recognizing and honoring all teachers of the Saddleback Valley Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Amanda Morrell and a second by Dr. Edward Wong.

Yes Greg Kunath

Yes Amanda Morrell

Yes Barbara Schulman

Yes Suzie Swartz

Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b.2. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 14:20-21 to Recognize and Honor Saddleback Valley Unified School District Classified Employees

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 14:20-21, to participate in this event by recognizing and honoring the Classified Employees of the Saddleback Valley Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Greg Kunath and a second by Amanda Morrell.

Yes Greg Kunath

Yes Amanda Morrell

Yes Barbara Schulman

Yes Suzie Swartz

Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b.3. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 15:20-21 to Adopt Annual Teacher Assignment/Misassignment Monitoring

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 15:20-21, an annual resolution for Teacher Assignment/Misassignment Monitoring allowing legal provisions authorizing staff to teach in their current 2020-2021 school year assignments. Passed with a motion by Barbara Schulman and a second by Dr. Edward Wong.

Yes Greg Kunath

Yes Amanda Morrell

Yes Barbara Schulman

Yes Suzie Swartz

Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b.4. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 17:20-21 Reduction of Classified Positions Due to Lack of Funds and Lack of Work for 2021-22

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that Resolution No. 17:20-21 for Reduction of Classified Positions Due to Lack of Funds and Lack of Work for 2021-22 be adopted as submitted. Passed with a motion by Greg Kunath and a second by Dr. Edward Wong.

Yes Greg Kunath

Yes Amanda Morrell

Yes Barbara Schulman

Yes Suzie Swartz

Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b.5. Approval: Receive Saddleback Valley Pupil Services Association (SVPSA) Reopener Proposal for 2020-21 Fiscal Year (2018-2021 Contract)

Motion Passed: Having completed the required process of holding a Public Hearing on SVPSA's Reopener Proposal, it is now the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board receive the Reopener Proposal. Passed with a motion by Amanda Morrell and a second by Dr. Edward Wong.

Yes Greg Kunath

Yes Amanda Morrell

Yes Barbara Schulman Yes Suzie Swartz Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b.6. Approval: Receive Saddleback Valley Unified School District Reopener Proposal to Saddleback Valley Pupil Services Association (SVPSA) for 2020-21 Fiscal Year (2018-2021 Contract)

Motion Passed: Having completed the required process of holding a Public Hearing on the District's Reopener Proposal, it is now the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board approve the Reopener Proposal to the Saddleback Valley Pupil Services Association. Passed with a motion by Barbara Schulman and a second by Dr. Edward Wong.

Yes Greg Kunath
Yes Amanda Morrell
Yes Barbara Schulman
Yes Suzie Swartz
Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b.7. Approval: Ratification of Tentative Agreements (TAs) and Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) Reached between Saddleback Valley Pupil Services Association (SVPSA) and the Saddleback Valley Unified School District (SVUSD) for 2019-2021 and Salary Schedule, Effective July 1, 2020

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that this agreement and salary schedules be adopted as submitted. Passed with a motion by Barbara Schulman and a second by Dr. Edward Wong.

Yes Greg Kunath
Yes Amanda Morrell
Yes Barbara Schulman
Yes Suzie Swartz
Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b.8. PUBLIC HEARING: California School Employees Association (CSEA) Initial Proposal for a Three-Year Contract (2021-2024)

Minutes:

President Swartz declared the Public Hearing open at 7:58 p.m. No comments were received and President Swartz declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:59 p.m.

XIII.b.9. PUBLIC HEARING: Saddleback Valley Unified School District Initial Proposal to California School Employees Association (CSEA) for a Three-Year Contract (2021-2024)

Minutes:

President Swartz declared the Public Hearing open at 8:00 p.m. No comments were received and President Swartz declared the Public Hearing closed at 8:00 p.m.

XIV. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion Passed: Approve the Consent Items on the May 6, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda. Passed with a motion by Greg Kunath and a second by Dr. Edward Wong.

Yes Greg Kunath
Yes Amanda Morrell
Yes Barbara Schulman

Yes Suzie Swartz

Yes Dr. Edward Wong

Minutes:

On a motion by Trustee Kunath, seconded by Trustee Wong and carried 5-0, the Board of Education of Saddleback Valley Unified School District approved the Consent Items on the May 6, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda. Student Board Member Madison Goseco voted in favor of this item.

XIV.a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

XIV.a.1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 1, 2021

XIV.b. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

XIV.b.1. Approval: Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant Plan

XIV.b.2. Approval: Request for Mid-Year Graduation 2021-2022

XIV.b.3. Approval: Secondary Instructional Material Adoption

XIV.b.4. Approval: Sales and Service Agreement between Regents of the University of California, on behalf of the University of California, Irvine/California Reading & Literature Project (CRLP) and Saddleback Valley Unified School District (Agreement # UCI-2021BC-073)

XIV.b.5. Approval: Service Contract between Panorama Education and Saddleback Valley Unified School District

- XIV.b.6. Approval: Agreement for Participation between Inside the Outdoors Virtual Program Public Schools 2020-2021 and Saddleback Valley Unified School District (Agreement No. 13033)
- XIV.b.7. Approval: Agreement with Data Recognition Corporation
- XIV.b.8. Approval: Agreement with Think Together Early Literacy and Math Program
- XIV.b.9. Approval: Agreement Renewal between Fulcrum Management Solutions Inc., ThoughtExchange Services and Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- XIV.b.10. Approval: Income Agreement between Orange County Superintendent of Schools and Saddleback Valley Unified School District (Agreement No. 51364)
- XIV.b.11. Approval: Income Agreement between Orange County Superintendent of Schools and Saddleback Valley Unified School District (Agreement No. 51298)
- XIV.b.12. Approval: Member Program Agreement with Mobile School Pantry Program/Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County (SHFBOC) and Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- XIV.b.13. Approval: Ratification of the Quality Start OC Quality Rating & Improvement System (QRIS) Participation Agreement between Orange County Department of Education/Early Quality Systems, LLC and Saddleback Valley Unified School District (Agreement No. 51362)

XIV.c. SPECIAL EDUCATION

- XIV.c.1. Approval: Acceptance of Alternate Dispute Resolution Expansion Grant Award from July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2022
- XIV.c.2. Approval: Acceptance of Local Assistance Entitlements Grant Award from July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2022
- XIV.c.3. Approval: Acceptance of the Updated Community Advisory Committee Bylaws for 2021
- XIV.c.4. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement Addendum for Non-public School Services with Mardan School from March 24, 2021 through June 30, 2021; Student Number NPS:MAR198

XIV.c.5. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement Addendum for Non-public School Services with Beacon Day School from April 15, 2021 through June 30, 2021; Student Number NPS:BDS191

XIV.c.6. Approval: Ratification of Agreement for Reimbursement to Parents for Auditory-Visual Therapy (AVT) Expenses Incurred for Special Education Related Services, April 12, 2021 through August 16, 2021; Student Number 2020-50

XIV.c.7. Approval: Ratification of Agreement for Reimbursement to Parents for Travel Expenses Incurred for Special Education Related Services, from April 19, 2021 through June 3, 2021; Student Number 2020-51

XIV.c.8. Approval: Settlement Agreement for Reimbursement to Parent for Full and Final Settlement of All Outstanding Claims; Student Number 2020-52

XIV.d. BUSINESS SERVICES

XIV.d.1. Approval: Purchase Order List

XIV.d.2. Approval: Check Register

XIV.d.3. Approval: Acceptance of Donations to the District

XIV.d.4. Approval: Adoption of Resolution 16:20-21 Authorizing the Establishment of the Student Activity Special Revenue Fund

XIV.d.5. Approval: Adoption of Resolution 18:20-21 Declaring Membership in the Southern California Regional Liability Excess Fund (ReLiEF) Joint Powers Authority

XIV.d.6. Approval: Delete Board Policy 2300 Conflict of Interest Code

XIV.d.7. Approval: New Board Policy 3311.1 Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures

XIV.d.8. Approval: Utilization of California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) contract #4-19-78-0072B to Stewart Signs for the Purchase, Warranty and Installation of Electronic and Nonelectronic Signs and Marquees

XIV.d.9. Approval: Utilization of California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract #4-19-78-0094A to Multimedia LED, Inc.

for the Purchase, Warranty, and Installation of Electronic Outdoor Signs, Message Boards and Marquees

XIV.d.10. Approval: Accept Robinson Elementary School Parking Lot and Playground Asphalt Rehabilitation Project as Complete and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion for Commercial Roofing Systems

XIV.d.11. Approval: Ratification of California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act Informal Bid Awards

XIV.d.12. Approval: Reject All Bids for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel, Bid No. 20-03

XIV.d.13. Approval: Reject All Bids for Asphalt Paving & Repair Services, As Needed, Various Sites, Bid No. 20-04

XIV.d.14. Approval: Surplus and Disposal of Inoperable District Vehicles

XIV.d.15. Approval: Surplus and Disposal of Accumulated Electronic Waste

XIV.e. HUMAN RESOURCES

XIV.e.1. Approval: Consultant Agreements

XIV.e.2. Approval: Personnel Reports dated May 6, 2021 which include Separations, Leaves, Employments, Extra Duty Pay Assignments, Changes of Status, Reclassifications, Waivers and Other Personnel Actions

XIV.e.3. Approval: Certificated Job Descriptions

XIV.e.4. Approval: New Certificated Special Services Salary Schedule

XIV.e.5. Approval: Revised Classified Substitute Salary Schedule

XIV.e.6. Approval: Certificated Teacher Substitute Pay Rates, Effective July 1, 2021

XV. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Minutes:

Student Board Member Madison Goseco commented that she is thankful for the opportunity to serve as a Student Board Member.

Trustee Schulman commented that she is very excited that she's been able to visit school sites and attended various events. Some of the many things she saw were chickens hatching, American Revolution reports, and students developing artwork for planners next year. The most interesting was a debate of intermediate students discussing Google classroom and Canvas. Some events included the Mission Viejo High School Jazz performance, Unified Track, and the Teacher of the Year event. She thanked teachers, parents, students, and staff for an incredible school year.

Trustee Kunath thanked Madison Goseco for her enthusiasm as a Student Board Member. He had the opportunity to join the surprise visit to Alondra Diaz, the SVUSD teacher who will be moving on to the State level for Teacher of the Year. He was able to visit school sites and was impressed at the Teacher of the Year celebration.

Trustee Wong commented that he attended the El Toro High School track meet and it was great to see so many students on campus. Some other events he attended were the Trabuco Hills High School track meet and volleyball game at Mission Viejo High School. It was exciting to celebrate our teachers at the Teacher of the Year event.

Trustee Morrell commented that it is important to have the Student Board Member and High School Representatives report and share the activities at the school sites. She sees a year of growth for everyone and saw examples of perseverance, creativity and engagement.

President Swartz commented that she agrees with all the previous comments about Student Board Member Madison Goseco and thanked the High School Representatives for their support and providing information to Madison for the reports. She is amazed with the resilience, perseverance, and commitment of parents, staff, teachers and students during this past year. The Teacher of the Year event was amazing and she was impressed with the banners created by students. She is hopeful for great things in the future.

Superintendent Turner wished the teachers a wonderful Teacher Appreciation Week. She is also excited to honor the classified staff in a couple of weeks. She thanked her team for putting together plans with creative ideas in a short amount of time. It has been wonderful to be at school sites again, and she is proud of SVUSD.

XVI. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Minutes:

President Swartz announced that the next Regular Meeting will be on June 10, 2021.

XVII. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION IF NECESSARY

Motion Passed: Adjourn the meeting. Passed with a motion by Amanda Morrell and a second by Greg Kunath.

Yes Greg Kunath
Yes Amanda Morrell
Yes Barbara Schulman
Yes Suzie Swartz

Yes Dr. Edward Wong

Minutes:

It was not necessary to return to Closed Session. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Board President Schulman

oard Clerk