

Saddleback Valley USD Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

October 08, 2020, 6:00 PM

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

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

Absent:

Dr. Edward Wong

Updated Attendance:

Dr. Edward Wong was updated to present at: 5:05 PM

I. REGULAR BOARD MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

II. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

Trustee Morrell called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

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

Minutes:

None

IV. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Motion Passed: Adjourn to Closed Session. Passed with a motion by Suzie Swartz and a second by Greg Kunath.

Yes Greg Kunath
Yes Amanda Morrell
Yes Barbara Schulman

Yes Suzie Swartz
Absent Dr. Edward Wong

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. Liability Claims: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95
Review of Claim No. 2007435 against Saddleback Valley Unified School District**

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

Minutes:

President Wong reconvened the meeting at 6:00 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:

Dr. Edward Wong

Amanda Morrell

Suzie R. Swartz

Greg Kunath

Barbara Schulman

Also present were:

Crystal Turner Ed.D., Superintendent

Madison Goseco, Student Board Member

VII.a. Report of Closed Session

Minutes:

None

VIII. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Adopt agenda, as presented. 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

IX. PRESENTATIONS (None)

X. REPORTS

X.a. PTA Council Report

Minutes:

Michele Sparks, SVPTA President, provided a report. She thanked teachers and staff for their tireless efforts to successfully start in-person learning using the hybrid model. SVUSD PTAs are dedicated to supporting school sites as well as making sure student voices are heard. PTA hosted a non-partisan candidate forum for all candidates in the upcoming election for the SVUSD Board of Education. The goal of the forum was to give others the information they need to make an informed and educated vote. COVID-19 has impacted PTA membership, fundraising, and community involvement. PTA is working on ways that the SVUSD community can support their PTAs. Everyone is encouraged to join the PTA and share the information with their community. She is grateful for PTA's partnership with SVUSD.

X.b. Saddleback Valley Educators Association Report

Minutes:

Joyanne Goodfellow, SVEA President, provided a report. Teachers are happy to see their students again. During this challenging time, teachers are working longer and harder than any other previous year to support and educate students. She mentioned that voting season is upon us and supports Proposition 15. She thanked the District for adding the dashboard to the District website to track positive COVID-19 cases and encouraged the Board to offer free testing to employees. She looks forward to seeing the Board and District administrators visiting the school sites.

X.c. Student Board Member Report

Minutes:

Student Board Member Madison Goseco reported on the events and activities of SVUSD schools.

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

Minutes:

Mark Perez read comments received regarding items not on the agenda.

Elizabeth and Craig Cronin submitted comments regarding SVUSD COVID-19 guidelines.

Jocelyn Brown submitted comments regarding teacher accommodations.

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

Minutes:

None

XIII. ACTION ITEMS

XIII.a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

XIII.a.1. Adoption: Resolution No. 06:20-21 Recognizing the Week of the School Administrator

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board approve the adoption of Resolution No. 06:20-21 Recognizing the Week of the School Administrator. Passed with a motion by Barbara Schulman and a second by Greg Kunath.

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

Minutes:

On a motion by Trustee Schulman, seconded by Trustee Kunath and carried 6*-0, the Board approved this item.

*Represents inclusion of Student Preferential Vote

XIII.b. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

XIII.b.1. PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution No. 05:20-21, Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Grades K-12, Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Minutes:

President Wong opened the public hearing at 6:27 p.m. No comments were received, and President Wong closed the public hearing at 6:28 p.m.

XIII.b.2. Adoption: Resolution No. 05:20-21, Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Grades K-12, Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board adopt Resolution No. 05:20-21, "Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Grades K-12, Fiscal Year 2020-2021," as the District is in compliance with Education Code requirements for the funding of textbooks and/or instructional materials. Passed with a motion by Greg Kunath and a second by Suzie Swartz.

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 Swartz and carried 6*-0, the Board approved this item

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XIV. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion Passed: Approve the Consent Items on the October 8, 2020 Board Meeting Agenda. 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:

On a motion by Trustee Morrell, seconded by Trustee Kunath and carried 6*-0, the

Board of Education of Saddleback Valley Unified School District approved the Consent Items on the October 8, 2020 Board Meeting Agenda.

*Represents inclusion of Student Preferential Vote

XIV.a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

XIV.a.1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 10, 2020, and Special Meeting on September 24, 2020

XIV.b. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

XIV.b.1. Approval: Agreement with THINK Together Early Literacy and Math Program

XIV.b.2. Approval: Requests for Mid-Year Graduation 2020-2021

XIV.b.3. Approval: Requests for Early Year Graduation 2021

XIV.c. SPECIAL EDUCATION

XIV.c.1. Approval: Ratification of Interagency Agreement between South Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area and Tustin Unified School District From July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

XIV.c.2. Approval: Ratification of Master Contract and Individual Services Agreements for Non-public Agency Services with Pediatric Therapy Associates (dba) Exclusive Care International Inc., from September 8, 2020 through June 30, 2021; Student Numbers 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-22 and 2020-23

XIV.c.3. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement for Non-public School Services with Mardan School from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; Student Number NPS-MAR197

XIV.c.4. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement for Non-public School Services with Discovery Ranch for Girls from September 7, 2020 through March 31, 2021; Student Number 2020-MH13

XIV.c.5. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement for Non-public School Services with Olive Crest Academy from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; Student Number NPS-OCA203OR

XIV.c.6. Approval: Ratification of Amendment to Reimbursements to Parents for Travel Expenses Incurred for Non-public School Residential Students from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; Student Number 2020-MH13

XIV.c.7. Approval: Settlement Agreement for Reimbursement to Parents for Full and Final Settlement of All Outstanding Claims; Student Numbers 2020-19, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2020-29, 2020-30, and 2020-31

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: Denial of Liability Claim No. 2007435

XIV.d.5. Approval: Ratification of Services Agreement Number 5009 with Orange County Superintendent of Schools for Cyber Security

XIV.d.6. Approval: Utilization of NASPO Master Agreement #1907 for Wireless Equipment and Data Services to T-Mobile and Verizon Wireless

XIV.d.7. Approval: Ratification of California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act Informal Bid Awards

XIV.d.8. Approval: Surplus and Disposal of Accumulated Electronic Waste

XIV.e. HUMAN RESOURCES

XIV.e.1. Approval: Personnel Reports dated October 8, 2020 which include Separations, Leaves, Employments, Extra Duty Pay Assignments, Changes of Status, Reclassifications, Waivers and Other Personnel Actions

XIV.e.2. Approval: Consultant Agreements

XIV.e.3. Approval: Ratification of Biola University, School of Education Revised Affiliation Agreement

XIV.e.4. Approval: Temporary Increase to Certificated Substitute Pay Rate

XV. INFORMATION

XV.a. First Quarter Report on Williams Legislation Uniform Complaints for 2020-21 to the Orange County Superintendent of Schools Concerning the Nature and Resolutions of All Complaints Filed Against the District

XVI. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Minutes:

Trustee Schulman commented that even though she hasn't been to any schools, there are so many exciting things happening. She shared that Chris Lynch, a track coach, along with a variety of volunteers, has given a course where the teams runs a much needed makeover. Sean Fletcher walks with a group of volunteers and picks up trash to help clean up the community in Lake Forest, and Mark McCormick wrote and published a Christmas book. She also encouraged everyone to go to the Parenting OC website and vote for SVUSD schools. She is pleased that we are working together through these difficult times and we need to be kind to each other.

Trustee Kunath commented that he is glad to be back in person at the meeting. Prior to the start of hybrid learning, he had the opportunity to tour RSM Intermediate where they did a great job preparing for the return of students and staff. He hopes that we can get back to full in-person learning in the not too distant future.

Trustee Swartz commented that she is grateful and proud that everyone came together and is following safety protocols to stay safe and healthy. Everyone is working hard to make it the best it can be, given the current circumstances. Teachers are working overtime to find the best ways to make distance and hybrid learning work and she is proud that people are staying focused on the students.

Trustee Morrell commented that she accompanied Trustee Kunath to see the preparations for hybrid learning at RSM Intermediate. It was eye opening to see the extensive process it took to be ready and empathizes with all the changes that have had to be made. She went to El Toro High School on the first day of hybrid learning where she saw teachers supporting each other and getting students engaged. She visited a few elementary schools to observe their process and visited classrooms where she saw teachers wanting to teach and students who were happy to be on campus.

President Wong commented that he attended PTA fundraisers at MOD Pizza for Valencia Elementary and Handel's Ice Cream for RSM Intermediate. It's great to be able to help and support the PTAs who are an integral part of our District. He attended Laguna Hills High School on the first day of hybrid learning. Students were engaged and wearing masks and everything went smoothly. He is proud of our District.

Superintendent Turner commented that she visited several sites. While helping with crosswalk duty on the very first morning, she was thrilled to see how happy students were to be back at school. There was a sense of some normalcy, which was wonderful. Students are also mindful of socially distancing and following safety protocols. The general smoothness of our opening was possible because of the support of our incredible certificated and classified staff and our management team. She is appreciative of all our incredible staff and community.

XVII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING


XVIII. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION IF NECESSARY

Minutes:

It was not necessary to adjourn to Closed Session. President Wong adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.



Board President



Board Clerk