

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education 09/07/2023 - 04:30 PM

District Education Center Board Room 25631 Peter. A Hartman Way, Mission Vlejo, California

MEETING MINUTES

CLOSED SESSION begins at 4:30 P.M. PUBLIC SESSION begins at 6:00 P.M.

Attendees

Voting Members
Barbara Schulman, President
Dr. Edward Wong, Vice President
Suzie R. Swartz, Clerk
Amanda Morrell, Board Member
Dan Walsh, Board Member

1. CALL TO ORDER - 4:30 p.m.

President Schulman called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. OPEN SESSION- Public May Address Board on Closed Session Agenda

There were no requests from the public to address the Board of Education on Closed Session matters.

3. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 4:31 p.m.

- a. Student Expulsions(s) or Disciplinary Matters for Violation of Board Policy 5144.1
- b. Negotiations Discussion (Government Code Section 54957.6) Employee Organizations; CSEA, SVEA and SVPSA/Agency Negotiator: Darvin Jackson, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- c. Public Employee Discipline/Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Government Code Section 54957)
- d. Liability Claims: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95 Review of Claim Numbers 625675 and 626098 against Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- e. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957)

4. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION- 6:00 P.M.

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

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by incoming Student Board Member Aubrey Sanders.

6. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Barbara Schulman Dr. Edward Wong Suzie R. Swartz Amanda Morrell Dan Walsh

Also present were:

Crystal Turner Ed.D., Superintendent Aubrey Sanders, Student Board Member Tammi Bush-Craig, Student Representative Nathan Centeno, Student Representative Bianca Nicula, Student Representative Layla Le, Student Representative

a. Report of Closed Session

There was nothing to report from Closed Session.

b. Introductions of New Administrators and Promotions

Superintendent Turner introduced the following new administrators and promotions: Samantha Hodes-Der, Assistant Principal, Silverado High School Cynthia (DeeAnn) Crouch, Assistant Principal, Rancho Santa Margarita Intermediate School Troy Roelen, Assistant Principal, Mission Viejo High School Corie Gibson, Coordinator, Grade 7-12 Humanities/Literacy

c. Introduction of 2023-2024 Student Board Member, Aubrey Sanders

Wendie Hauschild introduced Aubrey Sanders, the 2023-2024 Student Board Member.

d. Installation of Student Member of the Board

President Schulman administered the Oath of Office to Aubrey Sanders, the 2023-2024 Student Board Member.

e. Introduction of 2023-2024 High School Student Representatives

Wendie Hauschild introduced the High School Student Representatives.

Nathan Centeno, El Toro High School Student Representative Bianca Nicula, Laguna Hills High School Student Representative Layla Le, Mission Viejo High School Student Representative Tammi Bush-Craig, Silverado High School Student Representative

7. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adopt agenda, as presented.

Motion made by: Dr. Edward Wong Motion seconded by: Suzie R. Swartz

Voting.

Barbara Schulman - Yes Dr. Edward Wong - Yes Suzie R. Swartz - Yes Amanda Morrell - Yes Dan Walsh - Yes

8. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

a. SVUSD Bright Spot - presented by Mark Perez, Director, Language Acquisition

Mark Perez, Director, Language Acquisition, provided a Bright Spot presentation about the 2023 Newcomer Camp. He explained the purpose of the camp, which includes providing multilingual learners with an opportunity to practice their English language acquisition skills, daily social-emotional support, and engaging students in a school environment with SVUSD staff. Camp attendees were multilingual learners who arrived in the U.S. from June 2022 through June 2023. There were two cohorts, one at Olivewood Elementary and a second cohort at Los Alisos Intermediate. Bus transportation was provided from their home school and all students received school supplies to use during the camp and to take home with them. The daily schedule included Social Emotional Learning support, and a Parent Academy was provided to offer families information and support to help in their student's academic success. Testimonials were shared and the teams at each school site along with the Language Acquisition team were recognized. Lastly, Mr. Perez thanked the Board of Education and Superintendent for supporting the Language Acquisition department and the Newcomer Camp program.

b. SVUSD Bright Spot - presented by Sabrina Skeels, VAPA Coordinator

Sabrina Skeels, VAPA Coordinator, provided a Bright Spot presentation about the SVUSD Summer Music Camp. The program has grown to over 300 students. She introduced the intermediate school music directors and Athena Reyes, camp coordinator and K-6 music educator. Ms. Reyes provided highlights of the camp which serves all students, regardless of their music background. For some students, it begins with how to hold the instrument. There are eight days of instruction where rehearsal lasts 90 minutes each day to prepare for an end of camp performance for the community.

Intermediate school directors stated that the summer camp helps elementary level students see into the future through working with middle school students and directors. It has allowed students to see how much fun music can be and they learn valuable strategies which will benefit them positively during the school year. The support of the Board of Education has been essential in the progress and success of the summer music camp and it is sincerely appreciated. Collaboration of music directors is also a highlight of the camp. It is a privilege to see students grow from middle to high school and gain technical and leadership skills. The Summer Music Camp has increased enrollment in all secondary music programs and there is more interest in music overall. Bertrand's Music is a sponsor for the the camp and provides the instruments for all of the secondary musicians for free. SVUSD's partnership with Bertrand's Music and their help is crucial to the success of the camp.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Forty-two Request to Address the Board of Education cards were submitted. Thirty minutes is allowed for public comments for items both on and off the agenda. Initially, ten cards will be pulled at random and, if time allows, additional cards will be pulled.

Christina Camera addressed the Board regarding modernization issues and health benefit cost concerns. Joanne Park addressed the Board regarding classroom air conditioning concerns. Rona Henry addressed the Board to commend the Student Services Department.

Michelle O'Brien addressed the Board regarding AR 5145.3.

Darlene Oliver addressed the Board regarding policies and keeping parents and the community informed.

Randall Simmons addressed the Board regarding the efforts of the district to provide a sound and rich education for students.

Scott Noonan addressed the Board regarding their efforts to prohibit groups from imposing restrictions on education.

Carol Touch addressed the Board to show support for teachers and administrators and appreciation of rules to protect the students.

Cathy Palmer addressed the Board regarding her support for school librarians and media personnel who enrich the education of the students.

Keri Baert addressed the Board regarding her support and appreciation for counselor support for students.

Melanie Jacobson addressed the Board regarding her appreciation for the level of advocacy for students and the Board upholding California law.

10. REPORTS

a. Student Board Member and High School Representatives Report

Student Board Member Aubrey Sanders and the High School Representatives reported on the activities of their adopted and home schools.

b. Coastline Regional Occupational Program (ROP) Report - presented by Suzie R. Swartz, Coastline ROP Representative

Trustee Swartz provided a Coastline ROP report. The Coastline ROP Board met on August 17, 2023 and on August 24, 2023.

At the August 17, 2023 meeting, Superintendent Dozer announced that the new Coastline ROP website, Coastlinerop.org, was launched on July 1, 2023.

Dr. Dozer reported that Coastline ROP will offer a new Sustainability Career Exploration Experience next summer where high school students will have the opportunity to complete an internship at Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD). The first year will consist of a cohort of 12 students, and will hopefully lead to opportunities for apprenticeships the following summer (2025) at IRWD.

Coastline ROP continues to work with the two Adult Education Consortia that cover the four districts to submit applications for the Adult English Language Learner Healthcare Pathway Grants. It is planned to offer EMT, CNA, and Pharmacy Technician, as they are already taught to high school ROP students.

Director of Instructional Services, Krista Kanga, announced that Coastline ROP received approval for their first UC Approved Honors classes in:

- Automotive Technology Advanced at Irvine High School
- AP Studio Art 2D at Corona del Mar High School.

Krista is also working to secure similar honors approvals for:

- Broadcast News
- Computer Graphics ADV
- Media Arts Advanced
- Body Systems and Disorders

- CNA
- MLR II
- Pharmacy Tech
- Sports Med ADV
- Culinary Arts ADV
- EMT

CBO, Sesar Morfin, reported that investments continue to perform well, and yields last quarter were higher than budgeted for the year. Based on cash availability projections, the County Treasurer indicated the pool can meet projected cash flow requirements through December 31, 2023.

The August 24, 2023 meeting was a special closed session meeting to discuss potential litigation with no action taken, and to complete the superintendent's evaluation.

Yesterday, it was announced that Dr. LeAnn Zayasbazan is joining Coastline ROP as the new CBO. She will spend the next two weeks working with Sesar Morfin before assuming the role on September 18, 2023.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 and will be held in the Irvine Unified School District's Board Room since the Presidio site is still undergoing renovations.

c. PTA Council Report - presented by Catherine Beeny, SVPTA President

Catherine Beeny, SVPTA President, provided a report. PTA has been hosting back to school events and the membership drive is underway with an emphasis on building community and parent involvement. PTA budgets include funding for parent education nights, the arts, STEAM and Innovation labs, school gardens, assemblies and more. SVPTA hosted a training session last week. The College and Career Fair is on October 11, 2023 at Mission Viejo High School. The fair will provide resources and opportunities for all SVUSD students.

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

Joyanne Goodfellow, SVEA President, provided a report. She expressed concerns regarding the modernization projects at Foothill Ranch and Robinson Elementary Schools. There have been delays and she is interested to know the district's plan to prevent this in the future. She feels that communication needs to be improved districtwide. She is happy to report that education seems to be more normal this year and she thanked teachers and staff for doing a great job.

e. Facilities Update- presented by Robert Craven, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services and Doug Monfils, Director of Facilities, Construction & Maintenance

Robert Craven, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, provided a Facilities Update. The largest number of projects were undertaken this past summer since the Bond in the early 2000's. Some of the Summer 2022 projects had been postponed due to cost estimates that were extremely high and material delays. Mr. Craven provided updates on the modernization projects at Foothill Ranch Elementary, Rancho Canada Elementary, Robinson Elementary, and Serrano Intermediate Schools. Some projects were slowed down by delays in DSA permits and challenges with subcontractors. Numerous facilities projects included new playgrounds at four elementary schools, pool modernization, new furniture at thirteen sites, HVAC upgrades, shade covers and more. In addition, deferred maintenance was completed in the areas of HVAC and roofing, grounds, operations, and general projects. Fencing has been installed at multiple sites and the district is continuing to work on additional campuses. Two companies are currently doing the work, and there

have been some material delays impacting completion. Going forward, the district will continue to be mindful of costs, develop contingency plans for delays, increase communication to all stakeholders and begin work in spring where possible without site impact.

Mr. Craven reported that an Orange County Grand Jury Report titled "School Shootings: How Prepared are Orange County Public Schools" is a result of a Grand Jury investigation regarding school safety. All Orange County Schools were interviewed. Mr. Craven reviewed the areas of focus in the report. The district is required to respond and will do so by the end of the month.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Public Hearing: Resolution No. 04:23-24 Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Grade K-12, Fiscal Year 2023-2024

President Schulman declared the Public Hearing open at 8:10 p.m., and after having received no comments from the public, declared the hearing closed at 8:11 p.m.

12. ACTION ITEMS

a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

1. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 06:23-24 Recognizing the Week of the School Administrator

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board approve the adoption of Resolution 06:23-24 Recognizing the Week of the School Administrator.

Motion made by: Suzie R. Swartz
Motion seconded by: Amanda Morrell
Voting:
Barbara Schulman - Yes
Dr. Edward Wong - Yes
Suzie R. Swartz - Yes
Amanda Morrell - Yes
Dan Walsh - Yes

2. Establish the Board of Education Meeting Dates for the 2024 Calendar Year

Approve the regular 2024 Board of Education meeting dates as presented.

Motion made by: Amanda Morrell Motion seconded by: Dan Walsh Voting: Barbara Schulman - Yes Dr. Edward Wong - Yes Suzie R. Swartz - Not Present Amanda Morrell - Yes Dan Walsh - Yes

b. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 04:23-24, Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Grade K-12, Fiscal Year 2023-2024

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board adopt Resolution No. 04:23-24, "Determining Steps to Ensure Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Grades K-12, Fiscal Year 2023-2024, as the District is in compliance with Education Code requirements for the funding of textbooks and/or instructional materials.

Motion made by: Amanda Morrell Motion seconded by: Dan Walsh Voting: Barbara Schulman - Yes Dr. Edward Wong - Yes Suzie R. Swartz - Not Present Amanda Morrell - Yes Dan Walsh - Yes

c. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Approval: Receive Saddleback Valley Pupil Services Association (SVPSA) Reopener Proposal to Saddleback Valley Unified School District (SVUSD) for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

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.

Motion made by: Dr. Edward Wong Motion seconded by: Amanda Morrell Voting: Barbara Schulman - Yes Dr. Edward Wong - Yes Suzie R. Swartz - Not Present Amanda Morrell - Yes Dan Walsh - Yes

2. Approval: Receive Saddleback Valley Unified School District (SVUSD) Reopener Proposal to Saddleback Valley Pupil Services Association (SVPSA) for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

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.

Motion made by: Dan Walsh
Motion seconded by: Amanda Morrell
Voting:
Barbara Schulman - Yes
Dr. Edward Wong - Yes
Suzie R. Swartz - Not Present
Amanda Morrell - Yes
Dan Walsh - Yes

13. CONSENT ITEMS

Approve Consent Items on the September 7, 2023 Board Meeting agenda.

Motion made by: Dr. Edward Wong Motion seconded by: Suzie R. Swartz Voting:

Barbara Schulman - Yes Dr. Edward Wong - Yes Suzie R. Swartz - Yes Amanda Morrell - Yes Dan Walsh - Yes

a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

1. Approval: Board Meeting Minutes

b. STUDENT SERVICES

1. Approval: Re-entry of Expelled Students for Violation of Board Policy 5144.1

c. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

- 1. Approval: Extended Field Trips
- 2. Approval: All Potential 2023- 2024 Regional, State, and CIF Extended Field Trips
- 3. Approval: Agreement for Participation between Orange County Superintendent of Schools Inside the Outdoors Public Schools 2023-2024 and Saddleback Valley Unified School District Agreement No. 16042
- 4. Approval: Memorandum of Understanding between Family Assistance Ministries (FAM) and Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- 5. Approval: Agreement for the Provision of Tobacco Prevention Services Tobacco-Use Prevention Education Tier 2 Grant Agreement No. 10003905
- 6. Approval: Income Agreement -Gate Training Certification between Orange County Superintendent of Schools and Saddleback Valley Unified School District (Agreement No. 10003908)
- 7. Approval: Contract between James Event Productions, Inc. and Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- 8. Approval: Appendix to the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Dual Enrollment Partnership Agreement between Saddleback College and Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- 9. Approval: Ratification of Agreement between Orange County Superintendent of Schools/Restorative Practices-Learn Support Interventions and Saddleback Valley Unified School District Agreement No. 10003835
- 10. Approval: Ratification of Service Agreement between Strong Workforce Program (SWP) K12 Pathway Improvement Grant (Round 5)/Orange County Superintendent of Schools and Saddleback Valley Unified School District Agreement No. 10003863

d. SPECIAL EDUCATION

- 1. Approval: Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding between Orange County Superintendent of Schools and Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- 2. Approval: Ratification of Master Contract and Individual Services Agreements for Non-public School Services with Beacon Day School from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; Student Number: NPS:BDS192
- 3. Approval: Ratification of Master Contract and Individual Services Agreements for Non-public School Services with Mardan School from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; Student Numbers: NPS:MAR193, NPS:MAR195, NPS:MAR196, NPS:MAR198, NPS:MAR199, NPS:MAR202, NPS:MAR203, NPS:MAR204, NPS:MAR205, NPS:MAR206, NPS:MAR207, NPS:MAR208, NPS:MAR210, and NPS:MAR211
- 4. Approval: Ratification of Master Contract and Individual Services Agreements for Non-public School Services with Olive Crest Academy and Olive Crest Academy North from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; Student Numbers: NPS:OCA205, NPS:OCA208, NPS:OCA210, NPS:OCA212, NPS:OCA213, NPS:OCA214
- 5. Approval: Ratification of Master Contract and Individual Services Agreements for Non-public School Services with Port View Preparatory from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; Student Numbers: NPS:PVP191, NPS:PVP192, NPS:PVP193, NPS:PVP195, and NPS:PVP196
- 6. Approval: Ratification of Master Contract and Individual Services Agreements for Non-public School Services with Rossier Park Jr./Sr. High School from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; Student Numbers: NPS:RPJS201 and NPS:RPJS202
- 7. Approval: Ratification of Agreement for Reimbursement to Parent for Travel Expenses Incurred for Special Education Services from July 5, 2023 through June 11, 2024; Student Numbers: 2023-25 and 2023-28
- 8. Approval: Settlement Agreement for Reimbursement to Parents for Full and Final Settlement of all Outstanding Claims; Student Numbers: 2023-26, 2023-27, 2023-29, 2023-35 and 2023-36

e. BUSINESS SERVICES

- 1. Approval: Purchase Order List
- 2. Approval: Check Register
- 3. Acceptance of Donations to the District
- 4. Approval: Adoption of Resolution 05:23-24 Adopting the "GANN" Limit
- 5. Approval: 2022-23 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report
- 6. Approval: 2023-24 Consolidated Application for Funding of Categorical Programs
- 7. Approval: Ratification of Limited Use License Agreement for the 2023-2024 School Year with the City of Lake Forest for the Use of Borrego Park by Foothill Ranch Elementary School Students

- 8. Approval: Ratification of Agreement with Robinson Ranch Community Association for the Use of Ike Arnold Park by Robinson Elementary School Students
- 9. Approval: Award of Bid No. 23-01 for the Purchase and Delivery of Swimming Pool Chemicals to Waterline Technologies, Inc.
- 10. Approval: Renewal of Bid No. 20-06 Asphalt Paving and Repair Services to Hardy & Harper
- 11. Approval: Ratification of California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act Informal Bid Awards
- 12. Approval: Ratification of Change Order No. 1 for the Oxford Preparatory Academy Modular Project, Gilbert & Stearns, Inc.
- 13. Approval: Accept El Toro High School Restroom and Shower Alterations Buildings F & N Project Bid No. 22-04F as Complete and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion for Elegant Construction, Inc.
- 14. Approval: Accept Montevideo Elementary School Re-roof Project Bid No. 22-08 as Complete and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion for Letner Roofing Co.
- 15. Approval: Surplus and Disposal of Obsolete District Vehicles and Equipment
- 16. Approval: Disposal of Accumulated Electronic Waste (IN7429727, IN7429732, IN7429773, IN7429834)
- 17. Approval: Denial of Liability Claim No. 625675
- 18. Approval: Denial of Liability Claim No. 626098
- 19. Approval: Consultant Agreements

f. HUMAN RESOURCES

- 1. Approval: Personnel Reports Dated September 7, 2023 Which Include Separations, Leaves, Employments, Extra Duty Pay Assignments, Change of Status, Reclassifications, Waivers and Other Personnel Actions
- 2. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 07:23-24 Education Code Authorization to Employ Licensed Speech-Language Pathologists
- 3. Approval: Student Fieldwork/Observation Agreement between Saddleback Valley Unified School District and South Orange County Community College District

14. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Trustee Walsh commented that he attended the Laguna Hills High School opening football game. He spoke about his experience with his student and the start of school, and he looks forward to the school year.

Trustee Morrell commented that she attended the El Toro High School football game. In addition, she

visited the Portola Hills Elementary School back to school round up where students participated in a scavenger hunt. She recognized librarians for the relationships they form with students and the encouragement they give students to read. She looks forward to the 2023-2024 school year.

Trustee Swartz thanked the new Student Board Member and High School Representatives for their reports and introducing their families. She congratulated El Toro High School for their 50-year anniversary. She is looking forward to visiting school sites and attending VAPA events. It was wonderful to have the Newcomers program and Music Camp highlighted as Bright Spots and something to be proud of. She is looking forward to the new school year.

Trustee Wong commented that he attended the Trabuco Hills High School football game. In addition, he visited Mission Viejo High School and Del Cerro Elementary School. It was wonderful to see the students playing in the new playground at Del Cerro. He also was pleased to see the new fencing being installed when he visited Trabuco Mesa Elementary School.

President Schulman commented that she attended football games at Mission Viejo, Trabuco Hills, and El Toro High Schools. There was a sentimental memorial at the El Toro High School game for a former player who passed away. She visited La Paz Intermediate and Linda Vista Elementary Schools. It was wonderful to see all the different ways students were learning and they were all interested and engaged.

Student Board Member Aubrey Sanders thanked the Board for their emphasis on safety at schools. It is reassuring to know that the Board cares. She thanked everyone for the warm welcome.

Superintendent Turner thanked the teachers at Robinson and Foothill Ranch Elementary Schools for their efforts to get the site ready for students. She also appreciates the help from their families. She enjoyed attending flag football games at El Toro and Mission Viejo High Schools. The girls are phenomenal athletes. She recognized the hard work that was done to get all of our schools off to a great start.

15. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

President Schulman announced that the next Regular Meeting will be on October 12, 2023.

16. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION IF NECESSARY

It was not necessary to adjourn to Closed Session.

President Schulman adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.