

# Regular Meeting of the Board of Education 10/12/2023 - 05:00 PM

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

### **MEETING MINUTES**

CLOSED SESSION begins at 5:00 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 - 5:00 p.m.

President Schulman called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

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

Gretchen Sites addressed the Board regarding negotiations and modernization. Beth Anderson addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

Dan Moreno addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

### 3. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:11 p.m.

- a. Student Expulsions(s) or Disciplinary Matters for Violation of Board Policy 5144.1
- b. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing/Pending Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9)
- c. Negotiations Discussion (Government Code Section 54957.6) Employee Organizations; CSEA, SVEA and SVPSA/Agency Negotiator: Darvin Jackson, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- d. Public Employee Discipline/Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Government Code Section 54957)

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

President Schulman reconvened the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

### 5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Nathan Centeno, Student Representative.

### 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

President Schulman reported the following 3 items from Closed Session.

- 1. In Closed Session, the Board voted 5 ayes to 0 noes to instruct District Counsel to settle the matter with the final Defendants in the Juul e-cigarette litigation, Altria Group, Inc. and Philip Morris USA, Inc., Altria Client Services LLC, Altria Enterprises LLC, and Altria Group Distribution Company (collectively "Altria") up to the stipulated amount.
- 2. In Closed Session, the Board voted 5 ayes to 0 noes to instruct District Counsel to settle pre-litigation claim no. 609020.
- 3. In Closed Session, the Board voted 5 ayes to 0 noes to authorize the Superintendent to issue a Notice of Unprofessional Conduct to a certificated employee.

### b. Introduction of New Administrators and Promotions

Superintendent Turner introduced Howard Johnston, District Coordinator, Instructional Design and Technology/Assessment.

### 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. RECOGNITIONS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

a. California Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) State Recognition Gold Awards

Mikey Park, Student Services Coordinator, introduced the California Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) State Recognition Gold Awards recognition. Ms. Park provided an overview of

PBIS which is an evidence-based, culturally proficient, proactive approach to teaching and reinforcing positive behaviors while systematically responding to unwanted behaviors. All SVUSD elementary and intermediate schools participated in PBIS for the 2022-2023 school year. Sixteen schools received Bronze and Silver level recognition. Melinda Heights Elementary, San Joaquin Elementary and Silverado High schools were awarded the Gold level recognition. These schools successfully implemented Tier 2 support. This is the third year that Melinda Heights has been recognized at the Gold level. Trustee Morrell congratulated the school sites and staff and presented Certificates of Recognition on behalf of the Board.

### b. National Merit Semifinalists

Principal Alicia Foulk introduced two National Merit Semifinalists from Trabuco Hills High School, Crystal Liu and Eric Wang. She highlighted their dedication to academics as well as their self-discipline and participation in many school groups and volunteer activities. They are hard-working, personable, and remarkable students. Trustee Wong congratulated the students for their achievement and presented Certificates of Recognition on behalf of the Board.

# c. SVUSD Bright Spot - presented by Dr. Lindsey Gatfield, Principal, Trabuco Elementary and District Coordinator, TK-6 STEM and GATE

Principal Dr. Lindsey Gatfield highlighted some of the unique qualities of Trabuco Elementary. There are a variety of outdoor learning opportunities with a farm on campus as well as multiple gardens and O'Neill Regional Park in their backyard. Two Trabuco Elementary students spoke about their experiences. They highlighted the farm where they learn about farm life and how to take care of certain animals. Their garden produces food that students planted, and they learn how to take care of the plants and their specific needs. The Field Study Program is hosted on the Trabuco Elementary campus, and it serves as a field trip destination for many schools throughout Orange County. Students use the outdoor environments, including O'Neill Regional Park, to make observations about the natural world, collect evidence, and draw scientific conclusions using data gathered through their experiences. These are just a few of the highlights of their wonderful outdoor learning environments. Their next step is to focus on environmental sustainability and teaching students about their impact on the world.

### 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alissa Beaman addressed the Board regarding insurance practices.

Jocelyn Brown addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

Damaris Zorio addressed the Board regarding parental rights.

Laura Blackie addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

Tracey Higgins addressed the Board regarding classroom behavior issues.

Carol Patrick addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

Christine Francis addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

Caitlin Robbins addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

Seth Thompson addressed the Board regarding negotiations and retention of qualified teachers.

Karla Turner addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

### 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 home and adopted schools.

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

Coastline ROP last met on Wednesday, September 13, 2023. Superintendent Brian Dozer introduced Dr. LeAnn Zayasbazan, Coastline ROP's new incoming Chief Business Official (CBO). Dr. Zayasbazan had an overlap with outgoing CBO, Sesar Morphin, so he could bring her up to speed.

Dr. Dozer announced that Coastline ROP had been approved by the adult education consortia to receive \$76,000 in grant funding to run Emergency Medical Technician and Pharmacy Technician classes with the ESL component provided by community college partners beginning in spring 2024. There is additional funding for marketing to assist the consortia in support of these efforts.

Two weeks ago, Governor Gavin Newsom signed an executive order calling for the state to create a master plan for career education in the next 13 months.

The master plan has three goals:

- Ensuring ninth grade students are encouraged to explore well-paying careers and that they are guided on a pathway to those careers.
- Ensuring students will have opportunities to learn real-life skills in their education, preferable for pay; and
- Students should not have to take on substantial debt or have to navigate complicated bureaucracies as they prepare for careers.

Director of Instructional Services, Krista Kanga, reported that Coastline ROP received UC/CSU Approvals Honors Status for the following classes:

- Emergency Medical Technician
- Advanced Media Arts Portfolio
- Advanced Sports Medicine
- Pharmacy Technician Internship
- Certified Nursing Assistant

Krista also reported that Careers in Al and Cybersecurity were UC/CSU G approved so now 99% of Coastline ROP classes are UC/CSU-approved.

Finally, in other action, the Coastline ROP Board canceled the November Meeting.

The Coastline ROP Board's next meeting will be next week.

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

Catherine Beeny, SVPTA President, provided a report. She provided some examples of how PTA's are partnering with schools, including Book Fairs and a garden maintenance day at de Portola Elementary. In addition, the Melinda Heights Elementary PTA funded STEAM lab is up and running, and Portola Hills Elementary held their Annual Fall Festival. SVPTA held trainings for the PTA units and started mentoring PTA's that need assistance. PTA was also invited to the Unified Leaders meeting. In a partnership with all high schools, the College & Career Fair was a huge success and provided information about multiple paths after high school as well as multiple presentations.

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

Joyanne Goodfellow, SVEA President, provided a report. She spoke about the difficulties with negotiations and the need to retain quality teachers. She thanked the bargaining team for their long

hours in negotiating and the teachers for their hard work.

### 11. ACTION ITEMS

### a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

1. Approval: Adoption of Resolution No. 08:23-24 Support to Retain Current Eleven Member Orange County Committee on School District Organization (County Committee)

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board approve Resolution No. 08:23-24 Support to Retain Current Eleven Member Orange County Committee on School District Organization (County Committee).

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

#### 12. CONSENT ITEMS

Approve Consent Items on the October 12, 2023 Board Meeting agenda.

Motion made by: Dan Walsh

Dan Walsh - Yes

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

### c. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

- 1. Approval: Extended Field Trips
- 2. Approval: Acceptance of Board Policy 5148.2 Before / After School Programs.
- 3. Approval: Revisions to Board Policy 6146.4 Differential Graduation And Competency Standards

#### For Students With Disabilities

- 4. Approval: Revisions to Board Policy 6159.2 Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School, and Agency Services for Special Education
- 5. Approval: Coastline ROP Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a Joint Powers Authority for Participation in the Career Technical Education Incentive Grant (CTEIG) 2023-24
- 6. Approval: C- STEM Participation Agreement between The Regents of the University of California/UC Davis Center for Integrated Computing and STEM and Saddleback Valley Unified School District
- 7. Approval: Master Services Agreement between Saddleback Valley Unified School District and Hazel Health, Inc. and Telehealth Services USA

#### d. SPECIAL EDUCATION

- 1. Approval: Ratification of Interagency Agreement between Tustin Unified School District and Saddleback Valley Unified School District from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024
- 2. Approval: Ratification of Personnel Reimbursement Agreement between Capistrano Unified School District and Saddleback Valley Unified School District from August 14, 2023 through June 30, 2024
- 3. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement for Non-public School Services with Beacon Day School from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; Student Number: NPS:BDS193
- 4. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreements for Non-public School Services with Olive Crest Academy from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; Student Numbers: NPS:OCA195, NPS:OCA202, NPS:OCA211, and NPS:OCA215
- 5. Approval: Ratification of 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:RPJS203 and NPS:RPJS204
- 6. 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: 2023-32 and 2023-34
- 7. Approval: Settlement Agreement for Reimbursement to Parents for Full and Final Settlement of all Outstanding Claims; Student Numbers: 2023-37 and 2023-38

### e. BUSINESS SERVICES

- 1. Approval: Purchase Order List
- 2. Approval: Check Register
- 3. Acceptance of Donations to the District

- 4. Approval: Revisions to Board Policy 3260 Fees and Charges
- 5. Approval: Revisions to Board Policy 3350 Travel Expenses
- 6. Approval: Ratification of Amendment No.1 for the Trabuco Hills High School Pool Modernization Project Bid No. 22-03F, Wakeco Inc.
- 7. Approval: Ratification to Correct Amendment No. 1 on the Agreement with PJHM Architects to Add School Years 2022-23 and 2023-24 on the Agreement to Provide Architectural/Engineering Services for the Foothill Ranch Elementary Modernization Project
- 8. Approval: Ratification of California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act Informal Bid Awards
- 9. Approval: Disposal of Accumulated Electronic Waste
- 10. Approval: Consultant Agreements

### f. HUMAN RESOURCES

- 1. Approval: Personnel Reports Dated October 12, 2023 Which Include Separations, Leaves, Employments, Extra Duty Pay Assignments, Change of Status, Reclassifications, Waivers and Other Personnel Actions
- 2. Approval: Revisions to Board Policy 4030 Nondiscrimination in Employment
- 3. Approval: Revisions to Board Policy 4218 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action
- 4. Approval: Student Placement Agreement between Saddleback Valley School District and Hope International University
- 5. Approval: Student Placement Agreement between Saddleback Valley Unified School District and Illinois State University
- 6. Approval: New Classified Administrative and Supervisory Job Description and Revised Classified Management/Special Services/Technical/Confidential/Community-Child Care Services Salary Schedule
- 7. Approval: Renewal Affiliation Agreement between Saddleback Valley Unified School District and Chapman University

### 13. INFORMATION PENDING ACTION

a. Review and Recommendation: School Year Calendar for the 2024-2025 School Year

### 14. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Student Board Member Aubrey Sanders commented that she hopes that the issues with teachers and negotiations are resolved. She attended a Student Board Member Symposium to learn more about her job. The symposium was helpful and educational.

Trustee Walsh commented that he attended the Mission Viejo High School football game and the 50th Anniversary Celebration at El Toro High School. He enjoyed the College & Career Fair where there was a lot of variety and diversity. The Lomarena Garden Event was fun and it was Captain Planet Foundation's first project in Orange County.

Trustee Morrell commented that she appreciates the CTE and employment aspects of the College & Career Fair. It rounded out the options that are available to students. She thanked the volunteers for organizing the event. In addition, she acknowledged the passion, professionalism and points made during public comments.

Trustee Swartz commented that it was a pleasure to attend the Unified Leaders meeting. It was an incredible experience and great to have parents in attendance. It was interesting to hear everyone's perspective during the activity. She received a tremendous amount of positive feedback about the College & Career Fair and thanked the PTA and volunteers who helped coordinate the event. The translators at the event made an impact as well. She is looking forward to attending the Mission Viejo High School First Responders event and appreciates the comments provided during the meeting.

Trustee Wong commented that he attended athletic events including the Mission Viejo High School football and flag football games. He participated with the Assistance League to help provide clothing to thirty-two students from Laguna Hills High School. In addition, they visited Linda Vista Elementary and provided each student with a book to take home. He participated in a budget seminar and enjoyed the El Toro High School 50th Anniversary Celebration. Positive changes at Serrano intermediate were evident during his site visit, and he saw the progress of the fencing project at Linda Vista Elementary. The College & Career Fair was great with diversification and opportunities for students in many areas.

Trustee Schulman commented that she attended the Heroes Breakfast at Lomarena and attended the Unified Leaders meeting. She visited seven school sites and attended a number of athletic events including wrestling, football, water polo and volleyball. In addition, she was able to attend events at multiple school sites. Some of these included the RSM Wellness Room Opening, Armed Forces Event at Mission Viejo High School, El Toro High School 50th Anniversary Celebration, and College & Career Fair. She enjoyed many VAPA events, one of which was "Cinderella and the Substitute Godmother" at Laguna Hills High School, which was very funny. The highlight of her month was speaking at the Student Board Member Symposium.

### 15. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

President Schulman announced that the next Regular Meeting will be on November 9, 2023.

### 16. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION IF NECESSARY

The Board returned to Closed Session at 7:58 p.m.

It was not necessary to return to Open Session, and President Schulman adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

**Board President** 

Board Clerk