

Saddleback Valley USD

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

August 20, 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

Dr. Edward Wong

I. REGULAR BOARD MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

II. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

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

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

Minutes:

None

IV. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:02 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)

IV.e. Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code Section 54957)

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

Minutes:

President Wong 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 Trustee Kunath.

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

VII.a. Report of Closed Session

Minutes:

None

VIII. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Adopt agenda, as presented. Passed with a motion by Suzie Swartz and a second by Amanda Morrell.

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:

Robert Craven read the following report from Michele Sparks, SVPTA President.

Good evening Superintendent Turner, President Wong, Board members, staff, parents, students and guests.

Over the summer SVPTA has been busy preparing for the unique year ahead. Our SVPTA board & local units have been attending virtual trainings put on by 4th District & CAPTA. PTSA is going to look a lot different this year . Partnership between SVUSD & SVPTA is going to be imperative. Working together to build community & provide the best communication possible is key. SVPTA's slogan this year is "STRONGER TOGETHER" It is crucial that our PTA Presidents are working closely with their principals to support ALL students. I believe now more than ever that PTA is important & will continue to play a vital role in our schools. I see this year as an opportunity to strengthen our partnership with

SVUSD, our teachers, our community and continue to advocate for all students. This is the time to show our SVUSD community the power of PTA not just locally, but at the State & National level.

We have an incredible team supporting SVPTA & all our PTA's this year. I would like to take a moment to recognize our incoming SVPTA board for the 2020-21 school year!!!

President, Michele Sparks
Vice President, Cindy Strange
Treasurer, Kelly Galasieski
Parliamentarian, Lauren Fisher
1st VP of Advocacy, Keri Baert
2nd VP of Membership, Jessica Raczka
Programs, Louise Robertson
Auditor Chip Clark
Secretary, Vanessa Tingey
Special Education Advocacy, Jen Newsome

Arts Advocacy, Tasha Brown
SVPTA Communications, Catherine Beeny
Tech Support & Graphic Design, Lisa Carillo
Reflections, Caryn McLain
Convention, Lisa Matro
Historian, Nara Weyman

A huge thank you to these volunteers for stepping up & supporting all our schools as leaders at SVPTA during such an unprecedented time. I also want to thank my district liaisons, Yvonne Estling & James Newton for being incredibly supportive & for the partnership we've been building over the summer.

At this time, I'd like to share two areas of PTA advocacy. At the national level, PTA is taking action & giving members the tools to advocate to their US Senators & Representatives. National PTA is asking Congress to address five key areas in the next COVID-19 relief package 1) funding to reopen schools safely this fall, 2) increased support for Title I and IDEA, 3) dedicated funding for remote learning, 4) more resources for family engagement in education, and 5) increased funding for child nutrition programs.

At the local & state level, The Mental Health Support for Students resolution that THHS PTSA sponsored last spring passed during our June CA PTA virtual convention. Studies have shown that the pandemic and distance learning has taken a huge toll on our children's mental well-being. This is an issue that SVPTA will continue to focus on this year through education/awareness programs and advocacy. We appreciate the efforts SVUSD has taken to ensure social emotional learning curriculum is an important part of our student's distance learning. Connections with their teachers and fellow students are key to not only a student's mental well-being, but to their academic success. It is our goal to continue to partner with SVUSD to make this issue a priority.

Our first council meeting is on August 26th. In addition to conducting association business, these meetings will also be used as an opportunity for Presidents to ask questions regarding program ideas, limitations & address concerns. It is important at this time that SVUSD & SVPTA are aligned and that we all adhere to current guidelines regarding in person activities. Our focus should always be children first & their safety. SVUSD & SVPTA will be working closely to ensure this for all students.

Lastly, PTA membership is underway. We will be emailing you all the form. SVPTA would love for anyone in our community including SVUSD personnel and Board members to join any and/or all of our school PTA's. We are grateful for your support & partnership.

Gratefully yours, Michele Sparks, SVPTA President

X.b. Coastline Regional Occupational Program (CROP) Report - presented by Barbara Schulman

Minutes:

Trustee Schulman provided a Coastline ROP report. Trustee Schulman stated that we are fortunate for all the hard work of ROP staff. She emphasized that 91% of all ROP classes are UCI approved. The Coastline ROP Board feels that the superintendent of ROP should be included in the Friday Orange

County superintendent meeting phone calls. The Coastline ROP Board has made this suggestion since the information would be helpful.

X.c. Saddleback Valley Educators Association Report

Minutes:

Robert Craven read the following report from Denise Bradford, SVPTA President.

Good Evening President Wong, Dr. Turner, Trustees, Staff and Guests,

As everyone knows, it's been quite the summer. While we all hoped Covid 19 would be out of our lives by now, it looks like we are only beginning this journey. Our teachers have worked tirelessly to prepare for distance and hybrid learning. SVEA would like to thank our teachers and classified staff for going above and beyond during this trying time. We are disappointed that we are displacing so many of our classified staff and wondering if SVUSD is planning ahead to our return to school sites. It is going to take a village to bring our students and staff back safely.

Stay well.

X.d. 2020-21 45-Day Budget Revision

Minutes:

Connie Cavanaugh, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources & Fiscal Services, provided a 45-Day Budget Revision report. The criteria used for the report, which was based on the Governor's adopted budget, was reviewed. The main difference is an increase in LCFF funding due to the Cost of Living Adjustment of 0%. The original budget included the governor's proposal of a deficit of nearly 8%. A summary of the changes in the 2020-21 original budget and 45-day budget revision was reviewed. The changes included an increase in revenue and expenditures. The revised multi-year projection was shared along with multi-year assumptions. The evaluation of program needs will continue along with the impacts of COVID-19.

X.e. SVUSD Equity in Education Practices

Minutes:

After Superintendent Turner provided some background and introduction of the topic of equity and tolerance in SVUSD schools, Liza Zielasko, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services, and Dr. Francis Dizon, Director, Student Services provided an Equity in Educational Practices report. The four major categories to concentrate on in practices that promote anti-bias in education are Instruction, Classroom & School Culture, Family & Community Engagement, and Teacher Leadership. Highlights of the work SVUSD has done in each area were presented. SVUSD will continue to strive to ensure that SVUSD is an equitable and racist free school district. Mrs. Zielasko emphasized that SVUSD values equity for everyone and is committed to this ongoing work.

The demographic data about SVUSD students was shared as this information is important to know when striving to meet all students' education and social and emotional needs. One area of focus is suspensions and expulsions and Dr. Francis Dizon was introduced who shared data in this area. There has been some improvement in the groups with high expulsion and suspension rates, but there is still work to be done. In 2018-2019, Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) was initiated districtwide. This methodology reinforces and rewards positive behavior and shifts away from a traditional punitive measure approach. SVUSD has a board policy in place for non-discrimination and harassment and for hate related behavior. School Resource Officers (SROs) are trained to work with school age children and are part of the educational process. They are present to build trust and ensure that community members, students, and staff feel safe.

Liza Zielasko reviewed some next steps. This includes the development of a multi-year Strategic Plan in order to properly address the issue of equity in our schools, expansion of MTSS to cultivate inclusive academic, behavioral, and social emotional instruction, examination of board policies and administrative regulations to ensure equity for all, and reduction of suspension/expulsion rates.

At the conclusion of the presentation, President Wong read the SVUSD resolution condemning racism that is on the agenda for adoption.

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

Minutes:

A total of twenty-four comments were received. Trustee Swartz made a motion to extend the thirty-minute time limit in order to listen to all of the comments. Trustee Kunath seconded the motion which was approved by a 5-0 vote.

There were eight comments received for items not on the agenda which were read aloud by Robert Craven.

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

Minutes:

Sixteen comments were received for items on the agenda. The comments were read aloud by Mark Perez.

XIII. ACTION ITEMS

XIII.a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

XIII.a.1. Approval: Students Recommended for Expulsion/Re-entry of Expelled 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 (1 case) listed in Attachment A to this item. Re-entry of expelled students (1 case) listed in Attachment C to this item. Passed with a motion by Suzie Swartz and a second by Amanda Morrell.

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

XIII.a.2. Adoption of Resolution No. 01:20-21 Condemning Racism

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 01:20-21 Condemning Racism. 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
Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.b. HUMAN RESOURCES

XIII.b.1. Adoption: Resolution No. 02:20-21 Reduction of Classified Positions Due to Lack of Funds and Lack of Work for 2020-21

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that Resolution No. 02:20-21 for Reduction of Classified Positions Due to Lack of Funds and Lack of Work for 2020-21 be adopted as submitted. Passed with a motion by Suzie Swartz and a second by Barbara Schulman.

No Greg Kunath
No Amanda Morrell
Yes Barbara Schulman
Yes Suzie Swartz
Yes Dr. Edward Wong

XIII.c. SPECIAL EDUCATION

XIII.c.1. Approval: Appointment of Members to the Community Advisory Committee for the South Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board appoint the SVUSD CAC voting members as submitted. 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

XIV. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion Passed: Approve the Consent Items on the August 20, 2020 Board Meeting Agenda, with the exception of XIV.a.2., which was pulled by Trustee Schulman and XIV.a.3., which was pulled by Trustee Morrell. Passed with a motion by Suzie Swartz and a second by Amanda Morrell.

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

XIV.a. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

XIV.a.1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 18, 2020 and Special Meetings on June 5, 2020 and July 23, 2020

XIV.a.2. Approval: Revisions to Board Bylaw 9150 Student Board Member (First Reading and/or Adopt)

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board approve the proposed revisions to Board Bylaw 9150 Student Board Member. Passed with a motion by Suzie Swartz and a second by Amanda Morrell.

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

Minutes:

This item was pulled by Trustee Schulman to clarify that this is an approval of the revisions and a second reading isn't necessary. On a motion by Trustee Swartz seconded by Trustee Morrell and carried 5-0, the Board approved this item.

XIV.a.3. Approval: Revisions to Board Bylaw 9323 Meeting Conduct (First Reading and/or Adopt)

Motion Passed: It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Governing Board approve the proposed revisions to Board Bylaw 9323 Meeting Conduct. Passed with a motion by Amanda Morrell and a second by Suzie Swartz.

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

Minutes:

This item was pulled by Trustee Morrell to clarify that this is an approval of the revisions and a second reading isn't necessary. On a motion by Trustee Morrell seconded by Trustee Swartz and carried 5-0, the Board approved this item.

XIV.b. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

XIV.b.1. Approval: Submission of 2020-2021 Agricultural Incentive Grant - Mission Viejo High School

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

XIV.b.3. Approval: Sales Contract between IXL Learning and Saddleback Valley Unified School (Contract No. 38911)

XIV.b.4. Approval: Income Agreement between Orange County Superintendent of Schools and Saddleback Valley Unified School District (Agreement No. 50323)

XIV.b.5. Approval: Appendix to the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Dual Enrollment Partnership Agreement between Saddleback College and Saddleback Valley Unified School District

XIV.b.6. Approval: Ratification of Service Agreement between Fulcrum Management Solutions Inc., Thoughtexchange Services and Saddleback Valley Unified School District

XIV.b.7. Approval: Ratification of Independent Contractor Agreement between Saddleback Valley Unified School District and Western Youth Services, Inc.

XIV.c. SPECIAL EDUCATION

XIV.c.1. Approval: Adoption of Amended Resolution Number 21:18-19 of the Board of Education Amending the Designated Signer for Transition Partnership Project from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022

XIV.c.2. Approval: Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding between the Orange County Superintendent of Schools and the Saddleback Valley Unified School District from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

XIV.c.3. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement for Non-public School Services with Ocean View School from June 19, 2020 through July 10, 2020; Student Number NPS-OV194

XIV.c.4. Approval: Ratification of Individual Services Agreement for Non-public School Services with Olive Crest Academy from June 16, 2020 through June 30, 2020; Student Number NPS-OCA202GG

XIV.c.5. Approval: Ratification of Amendment No. 1 to 2019-2020 Non-public School Master Contract Agreements between SVUSD and Beacon Day, Mardan School, Ocean View School, Olive Crest Academy (Garden Grove and Orange), Spectrum Center Schools (Rossier Elementary, Rossier Jr/Sr High School and Spectrum Center Downey) for Distance Learning Services as a result of COVID 19 from April 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020

XIV.c.6. Approval: Ratification of an Agreement for Reimbursement to Parent for Travel Expenses Incurred for Special Education Related Services, from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; 13 Students

XIV.c.7. Approval: Ratification for Reimbursements to Parents for Travel Expenses Incurred for Non-public School Residential Students from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; Student Numbers: 2017-MH6, 2018-MH7, 2018-MH9, 2019-MH11, 2015-MH1, 2020-MH12

XIV.c.8. Approval: Settlement Agreement for Reimbursement to Parents for Full and Final Settlement of All Outstanding Claims; Student Numbers 2020-1, 2020-2, 2020-3, and 2020-17

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: 2020-21 Consolidated Application for Funding of Categorical Programs

XIV.d.5. Approval: Human Resources Application Software Support Agreement, Amendment #2 with Orange County Superintendent of Schools

XIV.d.6. Approval: Business-Plus System Support Agreement, Amendment #3 with Orange County Superintendent of Schools

XIV.d.7. Approval: Electronic Document Management System (Image, Scanning and Workflow) Software Support Service Agreement Number 50315 with Orange County Superintendent of Schools

XIV.d.8. Approval: Inspection Services Agreement with KVA Construction Management and Inspection Services, Inc. for Division of the State Architect (DSA) Inspection and Close-Out Services

XIV.d.9. Approval: Ratification of Consulting Services Contract with Whelan Security of California, Inc. dba Garda

XIV.d.10. Approval: Ratification of Master Service Agreement with Truveris, Inc. to Monitor PPO/EPO Prescription Claims

XIV.d.11. Approval: Utilization of National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) ValuePoint Master Agreement, Contract No. AR3288 to Hewlett Packard Company (HP) for the Purchase of Data Communication Products and Services

XIV.d.12. Approval: Utilization of Los Rios Community College District Bid No. 19023 for Custodial Supplies to Hillyard

XIV.d.13. Approval: Bid No. 20/21-01NS, South Orange County Purchasing Group - Processed Commodity, Commercial, Snack & Beverage Products to Gold Star Foods, Inc. and Boxed Water is Better

XIV.d.14. Approval: Ratification of Change Order to the Award of Bid No. 20-01 Roof Replacement at El Toro High School Building No. 200 with Best Contracting Services, Inc.

XIV.d.15. Approval: Ratification of California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act Informal Bid Awards

XIV.d.16. Approval: Extension of RFP No.CJNS-2018-19-PRODUCE for the 2020-2021 School Year with Gold Star Foods for Fresh Produce on Behalf of Colton Joint Unified School District.

XIV.d.17. Approval: Ratification of RFP No. NS-20-02 for the 2020-2021 School Year with Driftwood Dairy on Behalf of Palm Springs Unified School District/Beaumont Unified School District

XIV.d.18. Approval: Accept Los Alisos Parking Lot Repair Project as Complete and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion for Hardy and Harper Inc.

XIV.d.19. Approval: Accept El Toro High School Building No. 200 Roof Replacement Project as Complete and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion for Best Contracting Services, Inc.

XIV.d.20. Approval: Surplus and Disposal of Accumulated Electronic Waste

XIV.e. HUMAN RESOURCES

XIV.e.1. Approval: Personnel Reports dated August 20, 2020 which include Separations, Leaves, Employments, Extra Duty Pay Assignments, Changes of Status, Reclassifications, Waivers and Other Personnel Actions

XIV.e.2. Approval: Student Teaching Experience Agreement between Saddleback Valley Unified School District and California State University, East Bay

XIV.e.3. Approval: College of Education, Learning Site Agreement between Saddleback Valley Unified School District and California State University, San Bernardino

XIV.e.4. Approval: Esperanza Salary Schedule for 2020-2021

XIV.e.5. Approval: Revised 2020-2021 School Year Calendar

XIV.e.6. Approval: Consultant Agreements

XV. INFORMATION

XV.a. Fourth Quarter Williams Settlement Legislation Report for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 for Saddleback Valley Unified School District from the Orange County Department of Education

XV.b. District's Fourth Quarter Report on Williams Legislation Uniform Complaints for 2019-2020 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 Morrell thanked the SVUSD family including teachers, families, parents, students, administrators, custodians, office managers, principals, instructional aides, counselors, food service, the superintendent and everyone else for their hard work to get our district to this point. There have been many extra hours worked by teachers and staff. She acknowledged that parents, students, and staff are taking on a new challenge and commended their flexibility, leadership, enthusiasm, creativity and commitment. She believes in keeping the lines of communication open and referenced the 2020-2021 Kick Off where a song was played that repeated the phrase "I believe that we will win."

Trustee Schulman commented that being a Board member is not easy and she appreciates every parent, teacher, classified staff and student that has emailed or written. This is not an easy time and we are all doing the very best we can. She learns from every letter she receives. She thanked everyone who has reached out to her and her son who recently had a heart attack.

Trustee Kunath commented that we all know this is a very unusual time and that the administration did a great job responding and working through all of the changes. As a Board and as individuals, we need to do our research and be honest and do the right thing.

Trustee Swartz acknowledged all of the hard work that went into getting school started. She appreciates the parents who communicated any glitches and thanked the staff for working hard to correct them.

President Wong thanked the parents, superintendent and staff for helping the District through this difficult time. Teachers were provided training over the summer regarding distance learning and we were much better prepared when school started. He thanked all staff for being part of a team that helped get the district ready for the school year. The goal is to get students back in school as soon as possible.

Superintendent Turner commented that she is happy with how distance learning has started. It is not anyone's first choice, but classified staff and teachers have done a great job preparing and starting the year in distance learning. Also, administrators are tirelessly working to make sure everyone has what they need. She is proud with

how the first four days have gone.

XVII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

XVIII. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION IF NECESSARY

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Amanda Morrell and a second by Suzie Swartz.

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

Minutes:

It was not necessary to adjourn to Closed Session.

On a motion by Trustee Morrell, seconded by Trustee Swartz, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.


Board President


Board Clerk