

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 25, 2019

Closed Session 5:30 p.m./Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mr. Gary Knackstedt, President; Mr. Joe Nava, Vice President; Mr. Ron Freitas, Clerk; Mr. Ron Heberle; Mrs. Susan Macfarlane; Mr. George Neely; and Mr. Courtney Porter

Administrative Staff: Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent and Mr. Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer

Meeting Recorder: Ms. Lynn Aebi, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Educational Support Center, 1305 East Vine Street, Lodi, CA 95240

Public Comment on Closed Session Items

No comments were received prior to Closed Session.

Adjourn to Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session.

Reconvene Open Session

The meeting was reconvened at 7:02 p.m. Attendance was recorded and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Closed Session

President Knackstedt reported that the following action was taken in Closed Session:

Closed Session Personnel Matters:

Mrs. Macfarlane moved, Mr. Porter seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Mitzi Faulkner-Grace as Program Coordinator, Special Education, effective date to be determined.

Closed Session Personnel Matters:

Mrs. Macfarlane moved, Mr. Heberle seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Marie Burkin-Caffese as Program Coordinator, Special Education, effective date to be determined.

Conference with Real Property Negotiators:

Mr. Nava moved, Mr. Knackstedt seconded and the Board voted unanimously to instruct the District negotiators to negotiate the terms to facilitate the exchange of the following properties: 1205 East Vine Street, Lodi and 19 South Central Avenue, Lodi.

Superintendent's Report

No report was presented.

Comments from the Public

No comments were received from the public.

Comments from Board Members

Mr. Knackstedt announced that he has a new grandson, Deckland Joseph, who was born over the weekend.

Consent Agenda A, Routine Business

Mr. Kahn asked to remove Item A-1.

- Item A-2 Approval of Resolution 2019-65 Nutrition Services – Extension Contracts 2019-20 School Year
- Item A-3 Approval of Resolution 2019-66 Award of Request for Proposal for Chicken Products
- Item A-4 Approval of Resolution 2019-67 Award of Request for Proposal for Bread Products
- Item A-5 Approval of Resolution 2019-68 Award of Request for Proposal for FFVP Fresh Produce
- Item A-6 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 21, 2019

Mr. Freitas moved, Mr. Neely seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda A, Routine Business, as amended.

Individual Action on Items Pulled from Consent Agenda A – Routine Business

Item A-1 Contracts List

Mr. Kahn asked to remove contracts numbered four and five from the Contracts List.

Mr. Neely moved, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda A, Routine Business, Item A-1, Contracts List, as amended with contracts four and five removed from the list.

Consent Agenda B – Student Discipline Cases

(Item B-1) Expulsion: Student #18/19-10-60

Mr. Nava moved, Mrs. Macfarlane seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda B, Student Discipline Cases, as presented.

Reports

Update on Serna Relocation to Houston

Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer, provided an update on facilities at Houston in preparation for the move of Joe Serna, Jr. Charter School to the Houston campus. He issued a reminder that up-to-date information can be found on the District's website on the Bond/Projects page. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments

Nancy Johnston, Parent, Joe Serna, Jr. Charter School
Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association

Follow up to June 18 Board of Education Meeting Discussion Regarding History/Social Science Curriculum

Lisa Kotowski, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, informed Board of the next steps in implementing the history and social studies curriculum. Discussion ensued. The idea of a committee composed of stakeholders was discussed.

Public Comments

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association
Reverend Becky Cameron
Reverend David Bennett
Van Ha To-Cowell, Vice Principal, Ansel Adams Elementary School
Jennifer Taylor, Teacher, Lodi High School
Suzanne Simpson, Parent
Alex Lenzi, Youth Outreach Director, San Joaquin Pride Center
James Patnaude, Data Analyst, San Joaquin Pride Center
Gilbert Ruiz, San Joaquin Pride Center
Laura Devon, Attorney, California Rural Legal Assistance
Cymone Reyes, Financial Director, San Joaquin Pride Center
Maggie Ellis, Teacher, Lockeford School
Lupe Cruz, Parent
Christina Short, Parent
Ronda Shoemaker, Mental Health Therapist
Tiffinie Nielsen, Parent
Sonja Renhult, Parent, Vice Principal, Lockeford/Washington Elementary
Laura Christopherson, Teacher, Galt USD
Amber Lynn, Parent, Larson Elementary School
(Unidentified Speaker)

Recess

The Board took a five minute recess.

Other Action Items

OAI-1 Approval of Superintendent's Contract for One-Year Extension

Mr. Porter noted that this contract extension was pulled from the last meeting in an effort for Board to relay additional information to the Superintendent.

Public Comments

None

Mr. Nava moved, Mr. Porter seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve OAI-1 Approval of Superintendent's Contract for One-Year Extension.

OAI-2 Agriculture Career Technical Education Incentive Grant

Mark Troutner, Vice Principal, Lincoln Technical Academy, provided additional information related to the grant.

Mr. Heberle asked if the grant was to build or sustain a program. Dr. Washer noted that the grant could do both.

Public Comments
None

Mr. Freitas moved, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve OAI-2 Agriculture Career Technical Education Incentive Grant.

OAI-3 Child Welfare & Attendance Reorganization Proposal

Dr. Washer presented the item for Board consideration and noted that the item was presented as a report item at the last meeting.

Mr. Nava moved, Mr. Neely seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve OAI-3 Child Welfare & Attendance Reorganization Proposal.

OAI-4 Provisional Internship Permit and Approval

Dr. Washer presented the provisional permit for Board consideration.

Public Comments
Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association

Mr. Nava moved, Mr. Porter seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve OAI-4 Provisional Internship Permit and Approval.

Communications

Comments from Employee Group Representatives

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association, stated she looks forward to any education needed for teachers to represent professionally. She announced that a group of teachers will be going to Houston to represent this area at the National Education Association conference. She noted her appreciation for the District's website link that provides information related to the Joe Serna/Houston move and noted the need to be open in dialog regarding such. She is looking forward to feedback from the Live Strong professional development that will be offered. She noted that teachers submitted their list of needs to site administrators in preparation for the start of school and she hopes there will be a follow up report regarding the start of the new school year.

Comments from the Superintendent

None.

Reports, Continued

Update Report on 1:1 Home-to-School Connection Program

Edith Holbert, Director of Technology and Lisa Kotowski, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, presented an update on the 1:1 device program. Discussion ensued including data on damages and repairs, insurance, how charges are collected, internet access at home, safe-search and filtered internet sites, and protection/covers for transporting devices.

Board Member Macfarlane noted that the data missing from this report is how the 1:1 device program effects the classroom and how information gathered from websites is used.

Public Comments

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association

Jennifer Van Blair, Teacher, Westwood Elementary School

Sonja Renhult, Vice Principal, Lockeford/Washington Elementary

Update on Membership and Vacancies of Measure U and Measure L Bond Oversight Committees

Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer, reported that both the Measure U and the Measure L Bond Oversight committees are down three members. Mr. Khan explained the process to interview and appoint members. Board members agree to let Mr. Kahn appoint committee members.

Public Comments

None

Housing Development Report

Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer, presented information on the nearby housing developments that have pulled construction permits and the possible student population that might be generated from these projects, as per data obtained from the City of Lodi. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments

None

Board Advisory Committee Reports

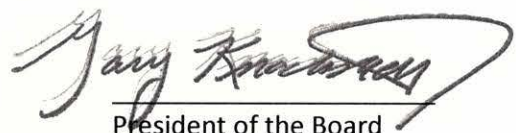
No reports were forthcoming.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.



Clerk of the Board



President of the Board