



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 15, 2018

Closed Session 6:00 p.m./Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mr. George Neely, President; Mr. Gary Knackstedt, Vice President; Ms. Bonnie Cassel; Mr. Ron Freitas; Mr. Ron Heberle; and Dr. Daryl Talken

Board Member Absent: Mr. Joe Nava, Clerk

Administrative Staff: Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent; Mr. Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer; and Mr. Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel

Student Representative: Ms. Jasmine Villanueva, Tokay High and Ms. Starlene Phothisene (substitute), McNair High School

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

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the James Areida Education Support Center, 1305 East Vine Street, Lodi, CA.

Public Comment on Closed Session Items

No public 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 7:10 p.m. Attendance was recorded and Jasmine Villanueva led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Closed Session

President Neely reported on the following action taken in Closed Session:

Placement of Non-Public School Students 2017-2018:

Mr. Heberle motioned, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board voted to approve the placement of 2017-2018 Non-Public School Students numbers 93, 95, 96 and 97, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Closed Session Personnel Matters:

Mr. Freitas moved, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board voted to approve the appointment of Chelsea Vongehr as Public Information Officer/Grant Writer, effective date to be determined, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken	
Noes:	Heberle	
Absent:	Nava	
Abstain:	None	Motion Carried

Moment of Silence

Former Lodi USD administrator, Floyd "Dutch" Williams passed away on May 7. Mr. Williams retired from Lodi USD after having served as principal at Tokay High School for four years and prior to that serving as principal at Lodi High School for a period of eight years. Condolences were extended to his family and a moment of silence conducted in his honor.

Spotlight

First Place Winners (Categories: 1st-2nd grade and 3rd-5th grade) of the 2018 Superintendent's Poetry Contest are Invited to Read Their Award-winning Poems. Sienna Garcia and Charlie Zuzich, both students of Reese Elementary School, read their winning poems chosen as part of the 8th annual contest.

Recognition

Lodi High School's 2018 Skills USA Team

Lodi High School Storm Drain Detectives

Storm Drain Detective Program

Recognition of Lodi High School STEAM Students for Their Work on Their Ceramic STEAM Mural

Students and Staff Certified in Level 1 Rocketry

Proclamation to Designate the Week of May 20-26, 2018 as Classified School Employee Week in Lodi Unified School District

President Neely read a Proclamation to recognize Classified School Employee Week in Lodi Unified School District. Accepting on behalf the classified employees was Debra Ladwig, President, California School Employees Association, Lodi, Chapter #77.

Other Action Items

Item OAI-1 Joe Serna, Jr. Charter School Relocation to Houston School Campus

Dr. Washer introduced the Board item regarding Joe Serna, Jr. Charter School and gave a brief history of events leading to this proposed action item. She explained the proposal for moving the Joe Serna population to the Houston campus and Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer, spoke regarding the cost

analysis of utilizing existing portables with the cost for all new portable buildings. President Neely confirmed that the action tonight was to approve the move, not the estimated budget. Discussion ensued. Dr. Talken voiced concern regarding the increase in traffic on Acampo Road with so many more students; most arriving in cars. Dr. Washer noted that the District can schedule start and ending times as best as possible to manage traffic issues. Mr. Neely and Mr. Heberle asked for additional information regarding modular structures. Board liked the idea of a joint committee of parents, instructors and administration members.

Public Comments

Lisa Graci, Parent, Houston School, voiced concerns regarding areas on the Houston campus that are prone to flooding, transportation for Serna students as well as for rural students and room for staff parking at the site.

Aaron Lange, Parent, Joe Serna, Jr. Charter School, asked that the Board look into the parking and drainage concerns. He stated he believes this is the best option for Joe Serna, Jr. students and encouraged the Board to approve a move of the Serna students to the Houston campus, for the best outcome for all.

Mark Durnell, Community Member, thanked the Board for addressing the safety concerns at Houston School with the installation of the security fence recently installed at the campus.

The Student Representative preferential vote was unanimously aye.

Mr. Neely moved to give authority to proceed with Joe Serna, Jr. Charter School Relocation to Houston School Campus and the Board voted as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None
	Motion Carried

Mr. Neely asked the Board to give consent to get the Houston/Joe Serna Joint Committee started immediately. A majority of the Board supported this plan. Mr. Kahn suggested that the District move some portables for the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Neely asked for a report on the number of portables, age, etc. Board consented to researching the use of modular buildings.

Report

K-12 Mathematics Report

Lisa Kotowski, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction, Randy Malandro, Coordinator, Assessment, Research, & Development and Math Coaches, Jeff Tillett and Abigail Bates contributed to the report presentation. Mr. Malandro reviewed the Smarter Balanced Assessment math data and Ms. Kotowski explained a summer math program hosted by LUSD. Ms. Bates explained how DreamBox works and is utilized in the District. Discussion ensued. Ms. Kotowski explained that the District would like to have Elevate [Math] available for the afterschool program in 3rd, 4th and 5th grades next year.

Public Comments

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association

Communications

Comments from Student Representatives

Ms. Jasmine Villanueva, Tokay High and Ms. Starlene Phothisene (substitute), McNair High School, presented reports from their respective schools.

Board Members congratulated Jasmine for her service as representative, acknowledged her achievements and wished her well in her future endeavors and at Chico State where she will be majoring in nursing.

Public Hearing

President Neely declared the Public Hearing "Lodi Unified School District Contract Re-openers with California School Employees Association (CSEA) for the 2018-2019 Year" open. No comments were received by the public or members of the Board. The Public Hearing was declared closed.

Superintendent and Staff Member Reports

Dr. Washer postponed the report.

Comments From The Public

Laurie Kraljev, Community Member, spoke regarding the Lodi Pupil Personnel Association (LPPA) contractual agreement and the need to come to an agreement for employees.

Kathy Dufour, Math Coach, thanked the Board for service to LUSD and spoke regarding the District's instructional coaches and what services they provide.

Geri Kreutner, Curriculum Coach, spoke regarding the work of the coaches and the need for them to remain.

Consent Agenda A, Routine Business

Ms. Cassel asked to remove Item A-11 and Mr. Knackstedt pulled Item A-14.

- Item A-1 Changes to the Adopted Budget
- Item A-2 Warrant Report
- Item A-3 Purchase Order Detail Report
- Item A-4 Resolution 2018-26 Temporary Interfund Transfers
- Item A-5 Resolution 2018-27 Authorizing Certain Employees to Make Cash and Budget Transfers for Year-End Accrual
- Item A-6 Contracts List
- Item A-7 Resolution 2018-29 Certifies the Award of Contract and Authorization to Begin Work For the Walk-In Refrigerator Freezer Project No. 0033-8037, Live Oak Elementary School
- Item A-8 Resolution 2018-28 Specifications of Election Order
- Item A-9 Ratification of Representative and Alternate Designees to California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Section
- Item A-10 Job Description for School Playground and Cafeteria Monitor
- Item A-12 Health Textbook Adoption
- Item A-13 AP Psychology Textbook Adoption

Item A-15 Pre-Calculus Textbook Adoption
Item A-16 Anatomy and Physiology Textbook Adoption
Item A-17 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2018

Dr. Talken moved, Mr. Heberle seconded and the Board voted to approve Consent Agenda A, as amended, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Items Pulled From Consent Agenda A

Item A-11 Introduction to Careers in Dentistry Course of Study and Textbook Adoption

Ms. Cassel asked Ms. Kotowski how the students liked the current course. Trang Do, Counselor, Lincoln Technical Academy, explained that this course would be offered to Juniors as an introduction to careers in dentistry. Ms. Do noted that this course prepares student to take the state examination.

Ms. Cassel moved, Mr. Heberle seconded and the Board voted to approve Consent Agenda A Item A-11 Introduction to Careers in Dentistry Course of Study and Textbook Adoption, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Mr. Neely moved and Mr. Freitas seconded to extend the meeting time to 10:20 p.m. the motion was approved, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Item A-14 Consumer Math Course of Study and Textbook Adoption

Mr. Knackstedt asked to table this item until the Board is able to talk about financial literacy as a future Board discussion item. Mr. Neely explained that this proposed course of study is not a required course.

Mr. Freitas moved and Dr. Talken seconded to approve Item A-14 Consumer Math Course of Study and Textbook Adoption, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Consent Agenda B – Student Discipline Cases

Item B-1 Expulsion: Student #17/18-10-45
Item B-2 Expulsion: Student #17/18-10-46

Item B-3 Expulsion: Student #17/18-10-47
Item B-4 Reinstatement: Student #16/17-9-56
Item B-5 Reinstatement: Student #17/18-10-16

Dr. Talken moved, Mr. Knackstedt seconded and the Board voted to approve Consent Agenda B, Student Discipline Cases, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Other Action Items, continued

Item OAI-2 Resolution 2018-25 The Hiring of Short-term Classified Employees

Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, presented Resolution 2018-25 for Board consideration.

Dr. Talken moved, Mr. Knackstedt seconded and the Board voted to approve Item OAI-2 Resolution 2018-25 The Hiring of Short-term Classified Employees, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Item OAI-3 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, presented the item for Board consideration.

Dr. Talken moved, Mr. Knackstedt seconded and the Board voted to approve Item OAI-3 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Personnel Matters

Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, presented Personnel Matters for Board consideration.

Dr. Talken moved, Mr. Knackstedt seconded and the Board voted to approve Personnel Matters, as presented, as follows:

Ayes:	Cassel; Freitas; Heberle; Knackstedt; Neely and Talken
Noes:	None
Absent:	Nava
Abstain:	None

Motion Carried

Communications, continued

Employee Group Representatives

John Hunt, President, Lodi Pupil Personnel Association (LPPA), expressed his appreciation for having been asked to be on the stakeholders' panel for the recent Board Study Session to discuss the Local Control and Accountability Plan.

Debra Ladwig, President, California School Employees Association, Lodi Chapter #77, thanked the Board for the public hearing on re-openers and for the proclamation acknowledging Classified School Employee Week noting that such recognition is important to CSEA members. Ms. Ladwig reported that the unit's annual recognition dinner will be conducted the following week. She shared that the unit awarded six scholarships to graduating seniors; three to students at Tokay High; two to Lodi High students and one to a student at Bear Creek High School.

Michelle Örgon, President, Lodi Education Association, thanked the Board for the time to speak to the Math report item and noted that the math coaches are integral to the program. Ms. Örgon reported that LEA members are saying goodbye to classes and gearing up for the next school year. She noted that teachers take a life-long journey with students over the school year and some teachers celebrate having students multiple years. She reported that LEA is awarding two scholarships for students pursuing a career in teaching; one to a student at Lodi High and one to a Tokay High student.

Comments from the Board

Mr. Knackstedt reported he recently attended the Open House event at Julia Morgan Elementary School and had a good time interacting with students.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Washer had no further comments.

Reports, continued

Overview of Classroom/Administrative Office Disaster/Lockdown Kits

Mr. Kahn presented an overview of the disaster/lockdown kits and referenced the link to the YouTube video for further information. Mr. Kahn acknowledged that Michael Hunting, PC Support Technician, Technology Services, created the video and noted the video has received many positive comments. Mr. Kahn explained that the kits are in every classroom and will soon be in every department. Mr. Freitas thanked Mr. Kahn for the presentation.

Public Comments

None

Proposed Board Policy Revisions

Ms. Kotowski presented Board policy revisions brought forward from the Curriculum & Instruction division. Ms. Kotowski explained that edits from comments of the previous Board meeting have been incorporated into the revisions.

Public Comments

None

Board Discussion

Discussion of the idea to add a Financial Literacy High School Graduation Requirement

This item was tabled until the next Board meeting.

Board Advisory Committee Reports

No committee reports were received.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.


Clerk of the Board
President of the Board