



**MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**April 14, 2020**  
**Study Session Meeting 6:15 p.m.**

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

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

**Meeting Recorder:** Ms. Maria Baez, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was conducted via YouTube and GoToWebinar. Attendance was recorded and President Nava led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Report**


**Local Control and Accountability Plan Input Received and Recommendation**

Lisa Kotowski, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, and Rafael Ceja, Program Coordinator, Educational Support Services, presented a report and an update on the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). Dr. Ceja explained that due to the current social distancing measures it has become challenging to involve parent groups, as they are unable to participate in the virtual meetings. He explained the California Department of Education has put together an invitation to a webinar meeting for Tuesday, April 21, to receive more guidance to changes for the LCAP development process due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Dr. Ceja will share more after the virtual meeting. Ms. Kotowski and Dr. Ceja met with all bargaining units as well as the LCAP committees. Input received from the bargaining units as well as the LCAP committees included the following: increase counselors; maintain class size for K-12; maintain school safety; decrease the purchase of Common Core State Standards materials and textbooks; and decrease the AVID program. Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer, gave a brief explanation on the budget for the LCAP.

**Public Comments**

Dean Blount, President, Lodi Pupil Personnel Association (Ms. Lisa Kotowski read a letter on behalf of Dean Blount); Debra Ladwig, President, California School Employees Association, Lodi, Chapter #77; and Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

  
Clerk of the Board

  
President of the Board