

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES**

**March 26, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Sonya Cuellar in the Boardroom at the District Office, 15110 California Avenue, Paramount California.

Pledge of Allegiance                      Rosemary Green, Director-Human Resources, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call                                      Trustee Sonya Cuellar                      Trustee Vivian Hansen  
Trustee Alicia Anderson                      Trustee Tony Peña  
Trustee Linda Garcia

Administrators Present                      Herman Mendez, Superintendent  
Michael Conroy, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services  
Myrna Morales, Assistant Superintendent-Human Resources  
Deborah Stark, Assistant Superintendent-Educational Services  
Ranita Browning, Director-Fiscal Services  
Kim Cole, Director-Special Education/ECE  
Cindy DiPaola, Director-Maintenance & Operations  
Randy Gray, Curriculum & Instruction/Projects  
Rosemary Green, Director-Human Resources  
Jose Iniguez, Director-Secondary Education  
Troy Marshall, Director-Technology  
Manuel San Miguel, Director-Student Services  
Chris Stamm, Director, Student Nutrition Services  
Jeff Bowers, Principal-Gaines School  
Greg Buckner, Principal-Paramount High School  
Lynn Butler, Principal-Alondra Middle School  
Linda Go, Principal-Keppel School  
Morrie Kosareff, Principal-Paramount High School-West Campus  
Jean Law, Principal-Buena Vista High School  
Kevin Longworth, Principal-Hollydale School  
Richard Morgan, Principal-Paramount Adult School  
Linh Roberts, Principal-Mokler School  
Elizabeth Salcido, Principal-Zamboni Middle School  
Rose Vitetta, Principal-Los Cerritos School  
Kelly Williams, Principal-Jefferson School

Approve Agenda                              Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded and the motion  
March 26, 2014                              carried 5-0 to approve the March 26, 2014 agenda.

1.91

Ayes:    5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 12, 2014  
1.92

Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Garcia seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 12, 2014.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña,

## **REPORTS**

Student Board  
Representatives

Avery De La Cruz-Paramount High School, Ayline Alcaraz-Paramount High School-West, Ariel Waggener-Buena Vista High School and Hector Hernandez-Paramount Adult School reported on school academic, athletic and extra-curricular activities.

Employee Representative  
Reports

Brent McCarty CSEA representative was present but no report provided.

TAP Representative Ardelia Aldridge was in attendance for TAP President Deb Woods as Mrs. Woods could not be in attendance. No report was provided.

Board Members' Reports

Trustee Anderson hosted the Annual PTA Honorary Service Awards reception and wished to thank all of the District's PTAs for their support. She also attended the City of Lakewood's Reorganizational meeting.

Trustee Cuellar attended Annual PTA Honorary Service Awards reception and thanked Trustee Anderson for coordinating the event, she attended Open House at PHS and added that classes and facilities looked great.

Trustee Garcia thanked everyone who attended the Relay For Life of Paramount Ladies Night event. She attended Buena Vista High School Open House and shared that she visited Paramount Park Middle School to provide information on the Woman's Club Woman's History Month essay contest.

Trustee Hansen had no report.

Trustee Peña attended the City's Job Fair and added there was a great turnout. He also attended PHS's Open House.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mendez highlighted a variety of items:

- Superintendent Mendez visited Alondra Middle School to listen to the PHS-W counselors speak to incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. During this visit, he also participated in a School's To Watch visit by Compton Unified School District.
- Mr. Mendez also attended the Annual PTA Honorary Service Awards reception.
- Superintendent Mendez announced that he would be assisting in hosting the Annual Rotary Student Forum on Saturday, March 29, 2014.
- He also announced that he will be hosting a LCAP parent meeting on April 7, 2014 at PHS.

Bulletin Boards – Mokler School

Principal Linh Roberts and Mokler students presented an overview of the Boardroom bulletin boards representing Mokler School’s educational program student work. The bulletin boards reflect the theme of “Blooming Scholars” and enhance the educational message sent to visitors and District office employees.

Recognition – Vince Torres

Superintendent Mendez and the Board of Education congratulated and presented City of Paramount-Recreation Director Vince Torres with a Certificate of Recognition in appreciation of his dedicated support and service to Paramount Unified School District students and families as he recently announced his intent to retire from the City of Paramount.

Mr. Torres thanked the Board and the District for its support and collaboration it has had with the City and him throughout his career.

TAG Art Show Student Winners

The first place and special recognition student award winners of the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Traditional Artists Guild Show were congratulated and introduced: Lesly Guevara, Kindergarten; Eros Alvarez First grade; Eva Jimenez, Second grade; Stephen Salas, Third grade; Yulissa Galvez: Fifth Grade, Jasmine Velasco; Sixth grade; Crystal Gutierrez, Seventh grade; Andrea Torres, Eighth grade; Jacqueline Giron, Ninth grade; Miya Daniel, Tenth grade; Ly Dapine Sony, Eleventh grade; Brian Ramos, Twelfth grade; Marisela Payares , Judge’s Award-Best Use of Color; Joel Sanchez, Judge’s Award-Best Composition; Carlos Hernandez, Superintendent’s Award; Geovanna Galvan TAG Chairman’s Award; Chanel Calderon, Parks and Recreation Commission’s Award; Gysella Rosales, Chamber of Commerce Award; and Pablo Castillo, Mayor’s Award.

The Board of Education members and Superintendent Mendez recognized the students for their artistic excellence and presented them with a Certificate of Merit. Superintendent Mendez thanked John Nowlin, Show Chairman from the Traditional Artists Guild, for his continued support of our students in the area of visual arts. Mr. Nowlin reported that over 1,300 pieces of student art were submitted for this year’s show.

**BOARD MEETING  
CALENDAR**

There were no changes to the Board meeting calendar.

**HEARING SECTION**

There were no speakers during the hearing section.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

0.93

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Consent Items.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

**Human Resources**

Personnel Report  
13-13

Accept Personnel Report 13-13, as submitted. The report includes details, assignments, terminations, and employment of personnel.

2.93 Certain assignments listed in this report may be contingent upon allocation of funding in the 2013-14 State Budget Act and related legislation.

### **Business Services**

Purchase Order Report 13-15 4.93 Approve Purchase Order Report 13-15 as submitted, authorizing the purchase of supplies, equipment, and services for the District.

Warrants for the Month of February 2014 4.93 Approve the warrants for all funds through February with a total of \$10,683,008.90.

Donations 4.93 Accept the donations as presented on behalf of the District with any bequests or gifts of money or property for a purpose deemed to be suitable by the District.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Human Resources**

Establishment of, and Employment Authorization for, One Full-Time Accounting/Budget Technician Position in Early Childhood Education 2.94 Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the establishment of, and employment authorization for, one full-time Accounting/Budget Technician position in Early Childhood Education.

Reorganization of the Nutrition Services Department and Establishment of a Job Description for Nutrition Specialist and Establishment of, and Employment Authorization for, an 8 hours per day, 12-month Nutrition Specialist Position at Student Nutrition Services 2.95 Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the reorganization of Student Nutrition Services department; approve the new job description of Nutrition Specialist and establishment of, and employment authorization for, one 8 hour per day, 12-month Nutrition Specialist at Student Nutrition Services.

#### **Educational Services**

Adopt and Authorize Purchase of Materials for K-8 Mathematics 3.96 Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the adoption and purchase of Materials for K-8 Mathematics textbooks aligned to the Common Core Standards.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Microsoft Education Technology Voucher Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 ratify Microsoft reimbursement funds in the amount of

Allocation Fiscal Year 2013-14  
3.97

\$577,516 for the 2013-14 fiscal year for purchases of education related technology.

Nonpublic School Placements for Special Education Students for 2013-14  
3.98

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña  
Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the placement for special education students in nonpublic schools, as determined by the students' Individual Education Plan for the 2013-14 school year.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

### **Business Services**

Agreement with Facilities Commissioning & Technical Services – California Clean Energy Jobs Act – Funding Application  
4.99

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the agreement with Facilities Commissioning & Technical Services for the Proposition 39 planning process and application. Authorize Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Change Order for Hollydale K-8 School Mini-Gymnasium Project  
4.50

Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 accept the change orders for no dollar value change to the guaranteed maximum price of \$5,670,559, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to review and execute all necessary documents for payment.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **Educational Services**

Revised Administrative Regulation 5118.2 – Interdistrict Transfer of Students

The Board received as information revised Administrative Regulation 5118.2 – Interdistrict Transfer of Students which reflects changes in District processes, procedures and compliance requirements.

#### **Business Services**

Average Daily Attendance Summary Report Through February 21, 2014, and the Sixth Monthly School Enrollment Report

Staff presented the monthly school attendance reports for 2013-14.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:58 p.m. to discuss governance team items.

### **OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 8:10 p.m. President Cuellar reported that the Board had discussed governance team items.

There was no action taken in Closed Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on March 26, 2014 at 8:10 p.m.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

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Herman Mendez, Secretary  
To the Board of Education

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President

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Vice President/Clerk