

**STATUTORY MEETING  
OF BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES**

**January 14, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by President Alicia Anderson in the Boardroom at the District Office, 15110 California Avenue, Paramount California.

Pledge of Allegiance                      Troy Marshall, Director-Technology, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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/Early Childhood Education  
Randy Gray, Director-Curriculum & Instruction/Projects  
Troy Marshall, Director-Technology  
Manuel San Miguel, Director-Student Services  
Chris Stamm, Director, Student Nutrition Services  
Greg Buckner, Principal-Paramount High School  
Greg Francois, Principal-Jackson Middle School  
Morrie Kosareff, Principal-Paramount High School-West Campus  
Yuki Mio, Interim Principal-Buena Vista High School  
Richard Morgan, Principal-Paramount Adult School  
Hilda Verdugo, Assistant Principal-Jackson Middle School

Approve Agenda                              Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Garcia seconded and the motion  
January 14, 2015                              carried 5-0 to approve the January 14, 2015 agenda.  
1.26

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

Statutory Meeting Minutes                      Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded and the motion  
December 10, 2014                              carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Statutory Meeting held on  
1.27    December 10, 2014.

Ayes:    4 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen  
Abstention: 1 – Trustee Peña

Facilities Corporation                              Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Hansen seconded and the motion  
Meeting Minutes                              carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Facilities Corporation  
December 10, 2014                              Meeting held on December 10, 2014.

1.28

Ayes: 4 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen,  
Abstention: 1 – Trustee Peña

Special Meeting Minutes  
December 17, 2014  
1.29

Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Garcia seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on December 17, 2014.

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

## **REPORTS**

Student Board  
Representatives

Armando Torres -Paramount High School-West, Kyrice Thompson-Buena Vista High School and Armando Vera-Paramount Adult School reported on school academic, athletic and extra-curricular activities.

Board President Anderson on behalf of the Board congratulated Kyrice Thompson on his upcoming graduation from Buena Vista High School. She added that the Board is very proud of him and wished him well and look forward to seeing him in June. Kyrice thanked the Board for providing him the opportunity to serve as a representative to his school.

Employee Representative  
Reports

There was no CSEA representative in attendance.

There was no TAP representative in attendance.

Board Members' Reports

Trustee Anderson along with Board members and Superintendent Mendez attended the CSBA Annual Education Conference. She also attended the monthly PTA Board meeting.

Trustee Cuellar welcomed everyone back and shared that she hoped that everyone had a restful winter break. She also attended the CSBA Annual Education Conference and thanked Kim Cole, Debbie Stark, and Liz Salcido for their coordination and presentation on the topic of Co-Teaching during the conference.

Trustee Garcia along with Board members and Superintendent Mendez attended the CSBA Annual Education Conference.

Trustee Hansen welcomed everyone back and wished everyone a Happy New Year. She also attended the CSBA Annual Education Conference and thanked Kim Cole for putting a presentation together and presenting.

Trustee Peña welcomed and wished everyone a Happy New Year. He also attended the CSBA Annual Education Conference. He also thanked the Board, Superintendent Mendez, Executive Cabinet, Isela Preciado, Ana Gonzalez and Dr. Buckner for their support during his family's difficult loss on the passing of his father.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mendez highlighted a variety of items:

- Superintendent Mendez along with Board of Education members attended the CSBA Annual Education Conference in San

Francisco. He wished to thank Debbie Stark, Kim Cole and Elizabeth Salcido for presenting at the conference on Co-Teaching.

- Mr. Mendez also attended a meeting with City of Paramount Council members and Mayor Eric Garcetti.
- He visited Collins School, Gaines ECE, and Alondra Middle School.
- Mr. Mendez attended the monthly PTA Board meeting.

Student Recognition – The Summer Cybercop Challenge for Kids  
Board of Education members and Superintendent Mendez recognized Patrick Gomez, 5<sup>th</sup> grade student at Jackson Middle School for his participation in the L.A. County Sheriff's Department Fraud & Cyber Crimes Bureau's "The Summer Cybercop Challenge for Kids" contest.

The purpose of the contest was to raise awareness to the dangers our youth face regarding cyber crime. The category for children in grades 1 -6 involved coloring and designing their Dream Cybercop Car. Patrick's drawing was selected from nearly 10,000 entries as the overall winner.

On behalf of the LA County Sheriff's Department, Lieutenant Mark Stevens presented Patrick with a certificate accompanied with the winning prize check for \$1,000 during a recent City of Paramount Council meeting. Leona Jackson School was also presented with a \$1,000 check for Patrick's efforts.

Student Recognition – Specialty Graphic Imaging Association

Board of Education members and Superintendent Mendez recognized Alexandra Salcedo and Eddie Becerra, students at Paramount High School who represented PHS at the annual SGIA Annual National Conference in the t-shirt design competition which they designed and printed in the ROP Screen Printing class last spring. Their entries were among over 100 entered in several categories. The conference was held this past year in Las Vegas in October 2014. This is a National competition and schools from across the United States (from California to Florida) enter the competition.

Alexandra was honored with a 1st place Award of Excellence with her 6 color design "Loud Music" in the category of Finished Garments (Dark), subgroup: Single/Multicolor. She did an exceptional job on her design and printing of her shirt and still proudly wears it.

Eddie was honored with a 1st Place Award of Excellence with his 6 color design "TILT" in the category of Finished Garments (Light), subgroup: Single/Multicolor. In addition, Eddie's design was also selected as the "Best Of Show" out of all of the entries in the competition.

**BOARD MEETING  
CALENDAR**

There were no changes to the Board meeting calendar.

## **HEARING SECTION**

There were no speakers during the hearing section.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

0.30

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

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

## **Human Resources**

Personnel Report

14-09

2.30

Accept Personnel Report 14-09, as submitted. The report includes details, assignments, terminations, and employment of personnel. Certain assignments listed in this report may be contingent upon allocation of funding in the 2013-14 State Budget Act and related legislation.

## **Educational Services**

Consultant and Contract  
Services

3.30

Approve the consultant and contract service request authorizing contracts with consultants or independent contractors who provide specialized services, as submitted.

## **Business Services**

Purchase Order Report

14-09

4.30

Approve Purchase Order Report 14-09 as submitted, authorizing the purchase of supplies, equipment, and services for the District.

Donations

4.30

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

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Educational Services**

Muscle Milk Grant

Application

3.31

Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to ratify the submission of application for a Muscle Milk Recovery Grant for Paramount High School's athletic program.

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

New CTE Capstone Course:

Engineering Design and

Development

3.32

Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve *Engineering Design and Development* course in the Engineering Pathway at Paramount High School for implementation in 2015-16.

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

Central Basin Municipal

Water District to Participate  
in the Solar Cup Event

3.33

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to accept the award of \$2,500 from the Central Basin Municipal Water District for Paramount High School students to participate in the Solar Cup event.

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

Contract Amount for the  
California State Preschool  
Program, 2014-15  
3.34

Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the amended amount for the California State Preschool contract for full and part-day Preschool, provided at the Mokler, Wirtz (Jackson), Gaines, Collins and Keppel sites for the 2014-15 school year.

Ayes: 4 – Trustees Anderson, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Nonpublic School  
Placements for Special  
Education Students for 2014-  
15  
3.35

Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the placements for special education students in nonpublic schools, as determined by the students' Individual Education Plan for the 2014-15 school year.

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

Neuro-Educational Clinic  
Consultant Services  
3.36

Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve Neuro-Educational Clinic to provide an Independent Educational Evaluation for a psychoeducational assessment at District's expense.

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Anderson reported that the next Regular Meeting would be January 28, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. – Boardroom of the District Office.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:41 p.m. to discuss Public Employee Performance/Evaluation (Superintendent) and Governance Team Items.

### **OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 8:18 p.m. President Anderson reported that the Board had discussed Public Employee Performance/Evaluation (superintendent) and Governance Team Items.

There was no action taken in Closed Session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on January 14, 2015 at 8:19 p.m. in memory of former Board of Education member Ethel Hillyard and Paramount High School teacher Katherine O'Grady.

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