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REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

June 25, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by President Vivian Hansen in the Boardroom at the District Office, 15110 California Avenue, Paramount, California.

Pledge of Allegiance Margarita Rodriguez, Director-Research, Assessment & Student Information, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Administrators Present Ruth Pérez, Superintendent
 Ruben Frutos, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services
 Myrna Morales, Assistant Superintendent-Human Resources
 Ryan Smith, Assistant Superintendent-Secondary Educational Services
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 Margarita Rodriguez, Director-Research, Assessment & Student Info.
 Manuel San Miguel, Director-Student Services
 Beatriz Spelker-Levi, Director-Personnel
 Chris Stamm, Director-Student Nutrition Services
 Patricia Tu, Director-Fiscal Services
 Jim Wolff, Director-Technology
 Kelly Morales, Facilitator/Supervisor

Approve Agenda Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded the motion.
June 25, 2018 Superintendent Pérez shared that there was a change to item 2.2-A
1.225 and the item now reads the item is being submitted for approval
 pending ratification. The motion carried 5-0 to approve the agenda of
 the Regular Meeting of June 25, 2018 as amended.

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

Study Session Meeting
Minutes June 11, 2018
1.226

Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Peña seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Study Session Meeting held on June 11, 2018.

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

Regular Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2018
1.227

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 11, 2018.

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

REPORTS

Employee Representative
Reports

There was no CSEA representative in attendance.

Kim Goforth introduced herself as the new TAP president for 2018-2020. She has worked in education for 22 years and looks forward to the next step in her new journey. She wished to share her vision for TAP & PUSD and said she recently attended a conference in thanking. The keynote speaker spoke about being a hero in your own life by being the best at work and at life. The gist of it was how we draw in people when we create such exceptional experiences every single day with everyone who crosses ones path.

She thought about the culture within our District. A culture where students, community members and teachers feel important in the present and feel like they are family. She hears from teachers that they feel disconnected. Her hope is that in her tenure as TAP president, we can work together to build that culture back and return to the culture of family that brought her here. That we can work together so everyone feels like they belong and return to the shared decision making that we once had, she knows that we can do that. In Paramount, we need to remember that even in teacher shortages, we need to work with amazing the people we have, validate, encourage them and embrace them as a pirate.

Board Members' Reports

Trustee Anderson attended the City's Heritage Fair and the Thank you lunch hosted by Jackson School.

Trustee Cuellar had no report.

Trustee Garcia attended the Tepic Sister Cities meeting and she participated in the Relay For Life event.

Trustee Hansen attended the City's Heritage Fair and the monthly Ad Hoc meeting.

Trustee Peña attended the Thank you lunch hosted by Jackson School and he visited the SNAP program at 14 schools that is being held during the summer.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Dr. Pérez highlighted the following:

- Superintendent Pérez traveled to Sacramento to advocate on AB 1951 to allow Districts the option to administer the SBAC or SAT to 11th grade students.
- Superintendent Pérez attended the City's Heritage Fair.

- Dr. Pérez participated in the Relay For Life on behalf of her mom.
- She commented the Health Department commended the District on the work done and for the quality of air filters being used.

Introduction - Jim Wolff, Director-Technology

James Wolff received his Bachelor's Degree in Accounting with Emphasis in Computer Science from Point Loma College in San Diego.

James has worked at Xirrus, Dell Computer and Lenovo as well as the Director of Technology in Tustin Unified School District. He organized the department at Tustin Unified School District and has a broad understanding of computer hardware and software. James is known for his strong interpersonal skills.

We welcome James to the District as the new Director of Technology.

Health Services Organization – Care Solace

Mr. Rudy Castruita with Care Solace provided the Board with information on Care Solace.

Care Solace provides students, parents and staff access to local, reliable, ethical and high quality substance abuse or mental health agencies through an on-line staff and parent portal link. Care Solace provides parents, students and staff 24/7 personnel case management, parent advocacy and availability support.

Care Solace's mission is to ensure all people, races, ages, genders, income levels and mental health or drug abuse issue finds the right help in seconds that is individualized to their exact need and situation. To enforce a strict vetted practice to ensure a community of care is ethical, safe and of the highest quality to serve. They believe in the constant monitoring of care to ensure parents, students and staff land in a safe haven of resources. CareSolace is a care navigation and coordination system that makes it simple and easy for anyone to get the right help in seconds.

K-8 Next Generation Science Standards Update

Kelly Morales, Facilitator provided the Board with an update on Next Generation Science Standards and the implementation in both elementary and middle school and also provide information on the two options, or course models for science instruction in grades 6-8.

Why NGGS?

- Prepare students to pursue career opportunities in science-related fields in the 21st century.
- Include critical thinking and communication skills needed for rapid advancements in science and technology
- Are written to address the science expectations of high performing countries to ensure our students can complete in the global economy.

What are the benefits of the grades 6-8 Integrated Course Model?

- Standards are based around unifying ideas and are bundled according to natural connections rather than being limited to disciplinary boundaries

- Teachers can address real world phenomena, ask questions, and seek answers to questions as they connect naturally and across disciplines
- Defined as “preferred” model by state of California-the Science Expert Panel concluded that the integrated model is most effective for optimizing student learning of NGSS
- High performing countries in the field of science use an integrated science model

Course Model Recommendation

Based on the feedback from science lead teachers, science math teachers and principals, it is recommended that the implementation of the Integrated Course model in grades 6-8 science be in the 2019-20 school year.

The full version of the presentation is available on the District website.

2018-19 Budget Presentation

Mr. Ruben Frutos, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services and Patricia Tu, Director-Fiscal Services provided the Board with information on the 2018-19 Budget.

Focus Areas:

2017-18 Estimated Actuals

- Continued decline in Enrollment and Attendance (ADA)
- Restricted fund expenses
- Fund Balance remains healthy

2018-19 Adopted Budget

- New funding closes the gap from 2017-18 funding levels
 - 100% gap closure in six years
 - 100% of the targeted funding levels in 2018-19
- 2.71% COLA and additional LCFF funding in 2018-19, for a total increase of 3.00% on the LCFF base grant targets

LCFF at Full Implementation – What’s Ahead

- Base grant funding will be equalized across all districts
- Supplemental & concentration grant funding will be determined by the District’s Unduplicated Pupil Percentage
- Annual growth in LCFF funding will be determined by (1) the change in LEA’s ADA, and (2) the statutory COLA
- The Minimum Proportionality Percentage (MPP) requirement becomes more stringent

State Revenues Up in May, But Below Year-to-Date Forecast

According to the Department of Finance’s (DOF) June *Finance Bulletin*, preliminary General Fund revenues for May were \$27 million above the 2018-19 May Revision forecast of \$7.903 billion. However, while personal income tax revenues continue to exceed expectations, sales and use tax, corporation tax, and other General Fund revenues are underperforming, resulting in year-to-date revenues falling \$65 million below the forecast of \$116.729 billion.

Additional Fiscal Components and Information

Health Benefits Costs – Projections

- Employer Health Care Costs Projected to increase 6% in 2019
- PwC’s Health Research Institute (HRI) released a publication regarding medical cost trends and projections for 2019 (used by

health insurances to set rates)
Economic Indicators – UCLA Forecast

- The U.S. economy will slow down, with the gross domestic product (GDP) growing at 3% in 2018, 2% in 2019, and 1% in 2020 as interest rates rise. Last week, economists with the UCLA Anderson Forecast reported that a tightening labor market, rising short-term and long-term interest rates, and higher inflation will slow economic growth in the coming years.

What's Next?

- The 2018-19 State Budget Act is approved
- LEA's have 45 days from the date of budget approval to adjust budgets
- Close the books for 2017-18
- Unaudited Actuals due to LACOE by September 15, 2018

The full version of the presentation can be viewed on the District website.

There were no changes to the Board meeting calendar.

BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

HEARING SECTION

There were no speakers during the hearing section

CONSENT ITEMS

0.228

Trustee Anderson motioned, Trustee Garcia seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Consent items.

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

General Services

Representatives to Athletic
Leagues for 2018-19
1.228

Approved Michael Ono, Principal, Alex Acosta, Athletic Director and Rachel Dominguez, Athletic Director as District representatives to athletic leagues for 2018-19.

Human Resources

Personnel Report
17-19
2.228

Accepted Personnel Report 17-19, 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 2017-18 State Budget Act and related legislation.

Educational Services

Consultant and Contract
Services
3.228

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

Memorandum of
Understanding with
Paramount Publishing
Company
3.228

Approved the Memorandum of Understanding with Paramount Publishing Company for the summer internship program for the 2018-19 school year.

Business Services

Purchase Order Report 17-19
4.228

Approved Purchase Order Report 17-19 authorizing the purchase of supplies, equipment, and services for the District.

6-25-18

Warrants for the Month of
May 2018
4.228

Approved warrants for all funds through May with a total of \$15,970,235.34.

Acceptance of Donations
4.228

Accepted 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.

Consultant Services
4.228

Approved the consultant services requests authorizing contracts with consultants or independent contractors who provide specialized services, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.

ACTION ITEMS

General Services

Employment Contracts -
Assistant Superintendents
1.229

Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the extension to employment contracts for Mr. Ruben Frutos, Assistant Superintendent- Business Services and Dr. Ryan Smith, Assistant Superintendent-Secondary Educational Services.

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

Alex Kajitani Consultant
Agreement
1.230

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the agreement with Alex Kajitani and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.

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

Human Resources

Public Hearing – Negotiated
Tentative Agreement
between Paramount Unified
School District and the
California School Employees
Association - Chapter 447,
Regarding Salary Increase
and Health & Welfare
Benefits for 2017-18 and
2018-19
2.231

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to hold a public hearing regarding tentative agreement, dated May 29, 2018, between the District and the California School Employees Association – Chapter 447, regarding a salary increase and health and welfare benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19.

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

There were no speakers during the hearing section.

Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to close the public hearing regarding tentative agreement, dated May 29, 2018, between the District and the California School Employees Association – Chapter 447, regarding a salary increase and health and welfare benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19.

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

Approval of the Negotiated
Tentative Agreement
between Paramount Unified
School District and the
California School Employees
Association - Chapter 447,

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Tentative Agreement, dated May 29, 2018, between the District and the California School Employees Association – Chapter 447, regarding a salary increase and health and welfare benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19.

Regarding Salary Increase and Health & Welfare Benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19
2.232

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

Public Hearing – Salary Increase and Health & Welfare Benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19 for Certificated & Classified Management and Confidential Employees
2.233

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to hold a public hearing regarding the salary increase and health and welfare benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19 for certificated and classified management and confidential employees.

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

There were no speakers during the hearing section.

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to close the public hearing regarding the salary increase and health and welfare benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19 for certificated and classified management and confidential employees.

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

Approval of the Salary Increase and Health & Welfare Benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19 for Certificated & Classified Management and Confidential Employees
2.234

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña moved and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the salary increase and health and welfare benefits for 2017-18 and 2018-19 for certificated and classified management and confidential employees.

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

Educational Services

Resolution 17-32, Local Agreement for Child Development Services for the California State Preschool Program, 2018-19
3.235

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Adopt Resolution 17-32, the California State Preschool Contract for part-day preschool services provided at Collins, Gaines, Hollydale, Keppel, Mokler, Wirtz (Jackson), and Zamboni sites for the 2018-19 school year.

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

Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services Annual Master Contracts for Special Education Students, 2018-19 School Year
3.236

Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services Annual Master Contracts for the placement of Special Education students in nonpublic schools, as determined by the students' Individual Education Plan for the 2018-19 school year.

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

Nonpublic School Placements for Special Education Students, 2018-19
3.237

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the funds for the placement of special education students in nonpublic schools, as determined by students' Individual Education Plans for the 2018-19 school year.

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

Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve submission of the Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs to the California Department of

3.238	Education for the 2018-19 school year.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Local Control Accountability Plan Federal Addendum 3.239	Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the 2018 Local Control Accountability Plan Federal Addendum that describes educational services for students provided by federal funds as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Memorandum of Understanding with Friends of the Los Angeles River 3.240	Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Friends of the Los Angeles River to provide interactive science lessons for all 1 st – 5 th grade students enrolled in summer school.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Updated Criteria for Reclassification of English Learners 3.241	Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the updated reclassification criteria for English Learners that aligns with California Department of Education guidelines.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Local Control Accountability Plan, 2018-2020 3.242	Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Local Control Accountability Plan, 2018-2020 for submission to Los Angeles County Office of Education.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Grand Canyon Agreement 3.243	Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the agreement with Grand Canyon University to provide scholarships per academic school year to Paramount Unified School District graduates, parents, staff and their spouses.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Naviance Software Contract 3.244	Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the purchase of Naviance Software program for the 2018-19 school year.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Amended Memorandum of Understanding with Cerritos College for Site-bridging College Liaison 3.245	Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the amended Memorandum of Understanding with Cerritos College to provide a College Site-bridging College Liaison at Buena Vista High School and Paramount High School for the 2018-19 school year.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Kaplan Professional Services Agreement 3.246	Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Kaplan Professional Services Agreement with Kaplan K12 Learning Services, LLC for the 2018-19 school year.
	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Business Services

Estimated Actuals Financial Report for 2017-18 and the Proposed Budget for 2018-19
4.247

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Estimated Actuals Financial Report for 2017-18 and the Proposed Budget for 2018-19, and authorize submission to the County Superintendent of Schools. Authorize staff to make all budgeted transfers, as appropriate, throughout the year.

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

2017-18 Budget Adjustments as of May 31, 2018
4.248

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the 2017-18 Budget Adjustments for the General Funds, Unrestricted and Restricted, Adult Education Fund, Child Development Fund, Cafeteria Fund and Measure I Fund.

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

Agreement for Services with CSM Consulting, Inc. for 2018-2019 and Submission of E-Rate Applications for 2018-19
4.249

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the 2018-19 contract agreement with CSM Consulting, Inc. to provide services for E-Rate filings for all District schools, and authorize staff to submit the 2018-19 E-Rate applications, as appropriate, to meet all deadlines.

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

Resolution 17-33, the Education Protection Account
4.250

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to authorize staff to adopt Resolution 17-33, determining that all Education Protection Account funds shall be used to pay teacher salaries.

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

Modifications to Phase 1 Work at Odyssey STEM Academy
4.251

Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to accept the modifications to Phase 1 work at Odyssey STEM Academy, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to review and execute all necessary documents for payment.

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

CONFERENCE ITEMS

Educational Services

Revised Board Policy 6146.4 – High School Graduation Requirements

The Board accepted for first reading proposed revised Board Policy 6146.4- High School Graduation Requirements.

Revised Board Policy 5132.62 – Tobacco

The Board accepted for first reading proposed revised Board Policy 5131.62 – Tobacco.

Revised Board Policy 4149 – Tobacco-Free Workplace

The Board accepted for first reading proposed revised Board Policy 4149 – Tobacco-Free Workplace.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Educational Services

Revised Administrative Regulation 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement

The Board received as information revised Administrative Regulation 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement

Williams Settlement Quarterly Uniform Complaint Summary

The Board received as information the required Williams Settlement Quarterly Uniform Complaint Summary for the fourth quarter April 1-June 30, 2018.

Business Services

Informational Item Presenting the Resolution for Bond Purchase Agreement

The Board received as information a preview and description of bond purchase documents which will be presented for approval at the July 16, 2018 Board meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Hansen reported that the next Regular Meeting would be Monday, July 16, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. – Boardroom of the District Office.

Staff Employee Comments Per Government Code 54957

There were no staff/employee comments.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:48 p.m. to discuss, Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation, Public Employee Performance/Evaluation (Superintendent), Public Employee Discipline Dismissal Release.

OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 9:15 p.m. President Hansen reported that they discussed Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation, Public Employee Performance/Evaluation (Superintendent), and Public Employee Discipline Dismissal Release.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on June 25, 2018 at 9:16 p.m.

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

Ruth Pérez, Secretary
To the Board of Education

President

Vice President/Clerk