

Paramount Unified School District



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BOARD OF EDUCATION

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District Superintendent

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

**MINUTES
November 14, 2018**

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

Pledge of Allegiance	Paramount High School JROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.	
Roll Call	Vivian Hansen Sonya Cuellar Alicia Anderson	Linda Garcia Tony Peña
Administrators Present	Ruth Pérez, Superintendent Ruben Frutos, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services Myrna Morales, Assistant Superintendent-Human Resources Debbie Stark, Assistant Superintendent-Educational Services David Daley, Director-Special Education Greg Francois, Director-Secondary Education Renée Jeffrey, Director-K-5 School Support & Innovative Programs Scott Law, Director-Facilities & Project Management Manuel San Miguel, Director-Student Services Beatriz Spelker-Levi, Director-Personnel Chris Stamm, Director-Student Nutrition Services Yolanda Calderon, Assistant Director-Fiscal Services Kelly Anderson, Principal-Jackson School Lynn Butler, Principal-Alondra Middle School Margie Domino, Principal-Roosevelt School Holly Hennessy, Principal-Tanner School Topekia Jones, Principal-Lincoln School Morrie Kosareff, Principal-Buena Vista High School Kevin Longworth, Principal-Paramount Park Middle School Michael Naruko, Principal-Gaines School Lisa Nunley-Macon, Principal-Hollydale School Keith Nuthall, Odyssey STEM Academy Mike Ono, Principal-Paramount High School Darrenn Platt, Principal-Keppel School Linh Roberts, Principal-Mokler School Yvonne Rodriguez, Principal-Paramount Adult School Sue Saikaly, Principal-Zamboni Middle School Elizabeth Salcido, Principal-Paramount High School-West Campus	

Connie Toscano, Principal-Wirtz School
Hilda Verdugo, Principal-Los Cerritos School
Kelly Williams, Principal-Jefferson School
Andrea Aguilar-Nuno, Assistant Principal-Paramount High School-West
Roxanne Allessandro, Assistant Principal-Buena Vista High School
Kim Chavez, Assistant Principal-Zamboni Middle School
Damon Dragos, Assistant Principal-Paramount High School
Jill Hammond, Assistant Principal-Alondra Middle School
Lisa Kirk, Assistant Principal-Paramount Park Middle School
Hector Lujan, Assistant Principal-Paramount Adult School
Alicia Megofna, Asst. Principal-Paramount High School-West Campus
Edgar Ortega, Asst. Principal-Paramount High School
Aaron Downing, Dean of Students-Paramount High School

Approve Agenda
November 14, 2018
1.370

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2018.

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

Regular Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2018
1.371

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2018.

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

Study Session Meeting
Minutes October 29, 2018
1.372

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Study Session Meeting of October 29, 2018.

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

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

5th Annual Marukan Cup of Excellence Winner – Osvaldo Galaz

Superintendent Pérez and the Board of Education recognized Paramount High School student Osvaldo Galaz for his recent participation in the 5th Annual Marukan Cup of Excellence Cooking Competition at Cerritos College on October 19, 2018. Contestants were given the same guideline for their plates, which included a four plated main entrée that incorporated a protein, starch, vegetable and sauces. Osvaldo took first place in the high school category and with first place came a \$1,000 award. Congratulations to Osvaldo on his accomplishment.

Recognition – Outgoing Board of Education Members

Student Board representatives Yanet Lopez-Paramount High School, Jaime Lopez-Paramount High School-West, Adela Carmody-Buena Vista High School, Sakura Ponce-Odyssey STEM Academy and Jazmin Hernandez-Paramount Adult School expressed appreciation words on behalf of their school sites to out-going Board members Alicia Anderson, Sonya Cuellar and Tony Peña.

Superintendent Pérez, Board President Hansen, Board member Garcia various dignitaries including City of Paramount Mayor Martinez, Councilmembers Hansen and Guillen, Kim Tachiki representing Congresswoman Lucile Roybal-Allard, Adrian Landa representing Assemblymember Anthony Rendon, Mr. Jim Romo with AALRR, retired

Superintendent Dr. David Verdugo, retired Assistant Superintendent Dee Stephens, Management Association of Paramount, Teachers Association of Paramount, Classified School Employees Association, Cabinet members, and K-12 Principals took an opportunity to express their appreciation for all Board member Anderson, Cuellar and Peña's support and dedication to the District that they have provided during their time as Board members the past 17 years and for being instrumental in the important decisions on the many successes the students and District have accomplished.

BOARD MEETING BREAK CELEBRATION

President Hansen recessed the regular meeting at 7:34 p.m. for a short celebration in honor of outgoing Board members Anderson, Cuellar and Peña.

President Hansen reconvened the Regular meeting at 7:57 p.m.

BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

There were no changes to the Board meeting calendar.

Superintendent's Report
Cont.

Mr. Ruben Frutos, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services provided the Board with an update on a law that requires testing for lead in local schools' water by mid 2019.

Under new State law, California school districts and providers will need to test for lead in local schools' drinking water on or before July 1, 2019. The new law imposes certain requirements on both water providers and school districts. AB 746 contains statutory requirements to test the lead levels of drinking water at all California public, K-12 schools and preschools and child day care facilities located in public schools property by July 1, 2019. Water quality in California is regulated by several state agencies, including the State Water Resources Control Board and its nine regional boards, which enforce clean water laws and the Department of Public Health. The State Water Board also issues general permits for municipalities and construction sites that try to prevent contaminants from those sources from entering municipal storm sewers. Drinking water standards and regulations are developed by Federal and State agencies to protect public health. In California, the Department of Public Health administers the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, which regulates drinking water quality in the United States. Paramount USD has been in contact with our environmental consultants to develop a plan for water testing in partnership with our providers. We have selected Lincoln Elementary, where faucets and water dispensers were scheduled to be inspected and replaced as needed, as the site to test and evaluate the District's plan prior to District wide implementation.

HEARING SECTION

Crystal Menser a teacher at Gaines School expressed concerns about odors at Gaines School and student health issues. Gaines site is located close to large manufacturing industries working with very high toxic materials not but limited to hexavalent chromium, which is odorless; she discussed her desire to have MERV 16 filters and for the District to work with the AQMD.

Alyssa Martin teacher at Gaines School has concerns about the air quality monitors at Gaines School. To this date, there are only two monitors collecting data. She is concerned regarding the spikes in Chromium 6 and added that this information can be accessed at the SCAQMD website. She has personally called the SCAQMD to report a

harmful burning metallic odor. She supports the Gaines Air Filter Petition.

Marci Maldonado a teacher in the District shared that she has worked for Paramount District since 1999. Her family has a long history since 1959. She is concerned about the overall long-term health, safety, and wellbeing of her students and indoor air and outdoor contaminants. She is also concern about the five metal forging companies in Paramount that are close to schools, that work with Hexavalent Chromium material. She will continue to call 1-800-CUT-SMOG whenever she smells metallic odors in the air.

Lisa Lappin shared that she contacted the South Coast Air Quality Management District regarding specific questions on the effectiveness of the MERV 16 air filters. She spoke to a representative about the conclusions of his 2012 research study on IQ Air MERV 16 is the only HVAC filtration level that effectively eliminates 85-90% of fine or ultrafine and other pollutants entering classrooms from outdoor sources. She added that he explained that HEPA is not the same as MERV 16 and answered other questions about his research of 2012.

CONSENT ITEMS

0.373

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

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

Human Resources

Personnel Report
18-07
2.373

Accepted Personnel Report 18-07, 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 2018-19 State Budget Act and related legislation.

Educational Services

Consultant and Contract
Services
3.373

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

Professional Activity Report
18-03
3.373

Approved the out-of-state conference request for the Principal from Odyssey STEM Academy to attend the Big Picture Learning Leadership Conference that will take place in Reno, Nevada from Sunday, December 2 through Wednesday, December 5, 2018.

Adoption of the Los Angeles
County Plan for Expelled
Students
3.373

Approved and adopt the Los Angeles County Plan for expelled students.

Contract with California State
University, Long Beach and
the Mathematics,
Engineering, Science
Achievement Program
3.373

Ratified the contract with California State University, Long Beach for the MESA Program during the 2018-19 school year.

Business Services

11-14-18

- Purchase Order Report 18-07 4.373 Approved Purchase Order Report 18-07 authorizing the purchase of supplies, equipment, and services for the District.
- Warrants for the Month of October 2018 4.373 Approved warrants for all funds through October with a total of \$17,014,716.87.

ACTION ITEMS

Human Resources

- Clinical Affiliation Agreement with California State University, Los Angeles 2.374 Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to ratify the agreement with California State University, Los Angeles for participation in clinical experience for students enrolled in health sciences program.

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

Educational Services

- Amend Contract Amount for the California State Preschool Program, 2018-19 3.375 Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the amended amount for the California State Preschool Contract, CSPP-8239.

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

- K-12 Single Plans for Student Achievement 3.376 Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the K-12 Single Plans for Student Achievement which are updated to authorize expenditures of the 2018-19 budget.

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

- Nonpublic School Placement for Special Education Students for 2018-19 3.377 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 2018-19 school year.

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

- Attorney Fees and Settlement Agreement for a Special Education Student 3.378 Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve and authorize payment for attorney fees and settlement agreement for a special education student.

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

- Memorandum of Understanding with Parchment, Inc. Amendment 3.379 Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the amended Memorandum of Understanding with Parchment, Inc. and Paramount Unified School District to provide electronic request and delivery of transcripts for students and alumni.

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

- California Advancing Pathways for Students Agreement 3.380 Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Garcia seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the California Advancing Pathways for Students (CalAPS) agreement to provide Career Technical Education coursework at Buena Vista High School for the 2018-19 school year.

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

College Board/Spotlight
PSAT 8/9 Video Score Report
Pilot Agreement
3.381

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the College Board/Spotlight PSAT 8/9 Video Score Report Pilot Agreement for the 2018-19 school year.

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

Spotlight Agreement
3.382

Trustee Garcia moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the 3-year agreement with Spotlight Agreement to provide high school students and their parents' information of their progress towards being college ready.

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

Business Services

2017-18 Budget Adjustments
as of October 31, 2018
4.383

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the 2018-19 Budget Adjustments for the General Funds, Unrestricted and Restricted, Adult Education Fund, Child Development Fund, Cafeteria Fund, Measure I Fund and Capital Facilities Fund.

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

Sale, Disposal or Recycle of
Surplus Property
4.384

Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to authorize staff to identify surplus or obsolete property, and further authorize the Superintendent or designee to arrange for the sale or disposal of District surplus property in accordance with Board Policy and the requirements of State law

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

INFORMATION ITEMS

These items are intended to keep the Board informed on various District business matters that do not require formal action by the Board.

Educational Services

Progress Toward Local
Indicators in LCAP, 2017-18

The Board received as information a report on progress towards local indicators.

Water Awareness Art Contest
in Paramount Unified School
District

The Board received as information the Water Replenishment District's water awareness art contest.

Business Services

Monthly Financial
Statements, October 2018

The Board received as information in J-200 format a Financial Statement for each fund for the months of July to October 2018.

Monthly Financial
Statements, October 2018 –
Special Education

The Board received as information in J-200 format a Financial Statement for Special Education for the months of July to October 2018.

Monthly Financial
Statements, October 2018 –
Self-Insurance Fund – Health
and Welfare

The Board received as information in J-200 format a Financial Statement for the Self-Insurance Fund – Health and Welfare for the months of July to October 2018.

11-14-18

Average Daily Attendance
Summary Report Through
September 14, 2018 and the
First Monthly School
Enrollment Report

The Board received as information the monthly school attendance
reports for 2018-19.

Average Daily Attendance
Summary Report Through
October 6, 2018 and the
Second Monthly School
Enrollment Report

The Board received as information the monthly school attendance
reports for 2018-19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Hansen reported that the next Regular Meeting would be
Monday, December 10, 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 8:31 p.m. to discuss Public
Employee Performance/Evaluation (Superintendent).

OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 9:31 p.m. President
Hansen reported that they discussed Public Employee
Performance/Evaluation (Superintendent).

There was no action taken in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion
carried 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
held on November 14, 2018 at 9:32 p.m.

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

Ruth Pérez, Secretary
To the Board of Education

President

Vice President/Clerk