



CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Conejo Valley High School (CVUSD Board Room)
1402 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, May 3, 2023

MINUTES

1. CLOSED SESSION

A. Comments – Public

President Gill announced that there were no public comment requests submitted, and the Board convened into Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. where the following items were discussed:

B. Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1), Case OAH 2022110233

C. Consideration of Stipulated Award and Compromise and Release in accordance with provisions in Government Code Section 54956.95 - insurance pooling, tort liability losses; public liability losses; workers' compensation liability; Compromise and Release request for 193800053/893800052

D. Labor Negotiations, Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6. The agency negotiator is Jeanne Valentine, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources. Employee Organization: California School Employees Association (CSEA)

Closed Session ended at 6:04 p.m.

2. OPEN SESSION

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Call to Order: President Gill called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Board Members present: Board President Lauren Gill, Board Vice President Cindy Goldberg, Board Clerk Lisa Powell, Board Trustees Karen Sylvester and Bill Gorback, and Student Board Trustee Gabby Lopez.

Administration present: Dr. Mark McLaughlin, Superintendent; Dr. Victor Hayek, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services; Jeanne Valentine, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; and Kenneth Loo, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services; and Dr. Shanna M. Egans, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Announcements from Closed Session and Open Session Procedures

President Gill announced that the following items were discussed in Closed Session:

B. Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1), Case OAH 2022110233

Trustee Gorback made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Powell. **Motion carried: 5-0.**

C. Consideration of Stipulated Award and Compromise and Release in accordance with provisions in Government Code Section 54956.95 - insurance pooling, tort liability losses; public liability losses; workers' compensation liability; Compromise and Release request for 193800053/893800052

There was no Board action taken on this agenda item.

D. Labor Negotiations, Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6. The agency negotiator is Jeanne Valentine, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources. Employee Organization: California School Employees Association (CSEA)

There was no Board action taken on this agenda item.

D. Approval of the Agenda

Trustee Gorback made the motion to approve the agenda as submitted, seconded by Trustee Powell. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential "yes" vote from Trustee Lopez.**

E. Student Recognition – WHS Studio Jazz Ensemble I Performs at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago, IL

Board members and District administration recognized the WHS Studio Jazz Ensemble I for their achievement in being selected to perform at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago, Illinois.

F. Student Recognition – TOHS Varsity Dance Team – USA National Dance Champions

Board members and District administration recognized the TOHS Varsity Dance Team for their First-Place victories in Championship Character and Prop at the USA National Dance Championships.

G. Report from Conejo Schools Foundation

Lana Clark, Executive Director of Conejo Schools Foundation (CSF), provided an update on events and programs that CSF supports, including Cash 4 Conejo Classroom awards, State of the Schools, All District Music Festival, Conejo Council PTA Principals' Roundtable, Get Ahead Summer School, BreakThrough Student Assistance Program, Wellness Centers, We the People, Odyssey of the Mind, and spelling bees. She also reported on a \$5,000 grant received from the Ventura County Credit Union to support the Conejo Closet, offered thanks to the Canyon Club and all involved for the event and support provided for the Westlake High School families that

were affected by the recent tragic accident, and announced CSF's upcoming 20th Anniversary event.

H. Comments – Public

President Gill announced that there were two (2) public comment requests submitted, and each speaker received three (3) minutes to speak.

I. Comments - Board of Education

Board members provided comments.

J. Comments – Superintendent

Dr. McLaughlin provided comments.

3. ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL

A. Human Resources - Approval of Resolution #22/23-14: Classified School Employee Week - May 21-27, 2023

Trustee Gorbach made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Sylvester. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential "yes" vote from Trustee Lopez.**

B. Student Services - Approval of Resolution #22/23-28: In Support of Pride Month

Trustee Sylvester made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Gorbach. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential "yes" vote from Trustee Lopez.**

C. Business Services - (Presentation) Approval of the 2023-2024 Major Project List

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Gorbach. Dr. Hayek presented information on the 2023-2023 Major Project List, including an overview of upcoming safety and security projects and improvements, school safety plans and training, and site upgrades, modernizations, and modifications. Dr. Hayek responded to questions from Board members regarding communication to students and parents related to new school entry safety measures, building letter identifiers in Braille and in a readable format, staff training related to mental health, teacher feedback on the TOHS Science modernization, TOHS Snack Shack certification issues, and the process followed to place projects on the Major Project List. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential "yes" vote from Trustee Lopez.**

D. Instructional Services - Approval of Instructional Materials Adoptions for 2023-2024

Trustee Gorbach made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Sylvester. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential "yes" vote from Trustee Lopez.**

4. ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

Trustee Gorback made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Trustee Powell. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential “yes” vote from Trustee Lopez.**

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Board of Education - Approval of Minutes**
- B. Board of Education - Approval of Amendments to Board Bylaw and Exhibit 9323.2 - Actions by the Board**
- C. Board of Education - Approval of Amendments to Board Bylaw 9310 - Board Policies**
- D. Human Resources - Personnel Assignment Orders**
- E. Human Resources - Approval of Agreements Between the Conejo Valley Unified School District and Point Loma Nazarene University**
- F. Human Resources - Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 4119.1, 4219.1 and 4319.1 - Civil and Legal Rights**
- G. Human Resources - Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 4216 - Probationary/Permanent Status**
- H. Instructional Services - Approval of Contracts Under \$5,000**
- I. Instructional Services - Approval of New High School Pilot Courses for the 2023-2024 School Year**
- J. Instructional Services - Approval of Renewal Contract - Fireworks & Stage FX America - TOH, NPH, WHS**
- K. Instructional Services - Approval to Obsolete and Recycle Previous High School Textbooks and Materials**
- L. Instructional Services - Approval of New High School Pilot Courses**
- M. Instructional Services - Approval of Permanent Status for High School Pilot Courses**
- N. Instructional Services - Approval to Obsolete and Recycle Previous Middle School Textbooks and Materials**
- O. Student Services - Approval of New Agreement for Special Education Services with Ventura County Office of Education**
- P. Student Services - Approval of Amended Contract with The Genesis Group**
- Q. Business Services - Approval of Award of Contract for Commercial Copiers and Maintenance**
- R. Business Services - MEASURE I - Notices of Completion**
- S. Business Services - Approval of Purchase Order Report (POs exceeding \$5,000)**
- T. Business Services - Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment**
- U. Business Services - Acceptance of the Kitchen Infrastructure and Training Grant**
- V. Business Services - Approval of Workers' Compensation Claims (over \$50,000)**

5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – GENERAL

A. Instructional Services - Presentation: Career-Technical Education (CTE)

District staff, including Mr. Mercer, Dr. Wilson, Ms. Cooper, Mr. Guerin, Dr. Looker, and Mr. Scalise, presented information on the District's Career-Technical Education (CTE) program, which included a program overview, districtwide key developments, program pathways and highlights from each high school and middle school site, and student and staff testimonials. District staff responded to questions from Board members regarding pathway completion programs, CTE opportunities for Century Academy students, Los Cerritos Middle School Woodshop program components, spending of dual enrollment grant money, roadblocks with community colleges related to dual enrollment, student feedback opportunities, pathway enrollment, relationships with local businesses for internships and work-based learning experiences, and program advertisement for targeted student populations.

B. Student Services - Presentation: English Language Development Program

Dr. Egans introduced Dr. Araiza, who provided information on the English Language Development (ELD) Program, which included a description of the ELD standards, details of the Home Language Survey, English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) and 2021-2022 ELPAC scores, designed and integrated ELD, reclassification process and rates, Federal Program Monitoring (FPM) audit and outcomes, Master Plan for English Learners, and the Master Plan for English Learners Committee goals. Dr. Araiza responded to questions from Board members regarding English Learner (EL) languages in addition to Spanish, creation of home survey questions, EL rate trends and challenges, connection between student success and intervention programs, support for EL reclassified students and those struggling to reach reclassification, difference in growth of students who do and do not attend the Newcomer Academy, process to monitor reclassified students, cultural acknowledgements in ELD classes, opportunities to connect ELD students together, communications to students and families for English Learner resources and supports, and target/current enrollment for the Dual Language Immersion (DLI) program.

C. Instructional Services – Ratification of Los Cerritos Middle School Bell Schedule

Mr. Klinger provided background on the purpose and process of changing and ratifying the Los Cerritos Middle School bell schedule for the 2023-2024 school year and responded to questions from Dr. McLaughlin and Board members regarding CAPS training and the inclusion of the student feedback in this process.

D. Human Resources - Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 4140 and 4240 - Bargaining Units

Mrs. Valentine provided background on the Gamut updates related to access to employee information and new employee orientations. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item.

E. Human Resources - Approval of Amendments to Board Policies 4115, 4215, 4315 and Administrative Regulation 4115 - Evaluation/Supervision

Mrs. Valentine provided background on the Gamut updates related to the addition on professional standards for educational leaders and removal of language pertaining to No Child Left Behind. Dr. McLaughlin and Mrs. Valentine responded to questions from Board members regarding policy and administrative regulation alignment with the collective bargaining agreements, observation and evaluation processes and cycles, evaluation process for administrators, and communication to staff regarding the scheduling of observations and evaluations.

F. Instructional Services - Approval of New High School Core Literature Title - The Distance Between Us

Mr. Loo provided an update on the scheduled webinars to review title for ninth grade reading and responded to questions from Board members regarding the title's alignment with the Ethnic Studies course and availability of this title in school libraries.

G. Business Services - Approval of Amendments to Administrative Regulation 3516.2 - Bomb Threats

Dr. Hayek provided background on the proposed amendments related to AB 1352 and AB 2355 and responded to questions from Board members regarding the regulation's specificity to bomb threats and potential need for a regulation regarding other types of threats, a suggested title change to match the regulation's expansive language, and alignment to other threat-related policies in Gamut.

H. Business Services - Approval of New Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3515 - Campus Security

Dr. Hayek stated that the proposed new policy and regulation had not been previously adopted by CVUSD and are aligned with other adopted policies and regulations related to campus security and safety issues. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item.

I. Business Services - Consideration of Joining in on Social Media Litigation

Dr. Hayek discussed the option for CVUSD to join in or request more information on a current social media litigation involving school districts and responded to questions from Board members regarding the litigation purpose and details, potential cost and intended outcome of the litigation, and the district's responsibility for students' social media access. The Board reached consensus to postpone the decision on this agenda item for a future Board meeting.

*During the discussion of this agenda item, Trustee Goldberg made a motion to extend the Board meeting to no later than 10:45 p.m., seconded by Trustee Powell. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential "yes" vote from Student Trustee Lopez.***

6. ADJOURNMENT

A. Future Board Topics / Activities

Board members did not add any topics for discussion at future Board meetings.

B. Adjournment

President Gill adjourned the Open Session at 10:32 p.m. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Wednesday, May 17, 2023, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session; 6:00 p.m. Open Session, at Conejo Valley High School in the CVUSD Board Room, 1402 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks.

May 17, 2023

Date



Board Clerk

May 17, 2023

Date



Superintendent

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