



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, February 21, 2024

MINUTES

1. CLOSED SESSION

A. Comments – Public

President Goldberg announced that there were no public comment requests submitted. The Board then convened into Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. where the following items were discussed:

B. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8. Property: 1500 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362. Agency negotiator: Dr. Victor Hayek, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services. Negotiating parties: Christine Martel, Director, Operational Support, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Conejo Valley. Negotiation: Price and Terms

C. Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1), Case OAH 2023110454

D. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

E. 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 1493800024

Closed Session ended at 5:50 p.m.

2. OPEN SESSION

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Call to Order: President Goldberg called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

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

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Announcements from Closed Session and Open Session Procedures

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D. Approval of the Agenda

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

E. Student Recognitions

The Board and District staff recognized middle and high school students who were selected to perform with the 2024 California All-State Honor Band and Choir ensembles.

F. Report from Student Reporters

Century Academy: Abigail Vey (not present)

Conejo Valley High School: Jocelyn "J.J." Jimenez

Newbury Park High School: Evan Sussman

Thousand Oaks High School: Ashley Deach

Westlake High School: Min Park subbed for Kaitlin Knight

Students reported on: Attendance incentive programs, Renaissance assemblies for outstanding students, Valentine's Day activities, Reality Bites Financial Literacy Program, guest speakers, College and Career Center activities, Black History Month recognitions, field trips, National School Counseling Week celebrations, school events and competitions, winter sports recognitions, International Baccalaureate (IB) student performances, upcoming Unified Sports basketball game; food, clothing, and blood drives; academic competition accomplishments, and class registrations for the upcoming school year.

G. Comments – Public

President Goldberg announced that there were two (2) public comment requests submitted, and both speakers received three (3) minutes to speak. Dr. McLaughlin provided a clarification to a public comment regarding the inclusion of parent representatives in the interview process for the Assistant Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion recruitment.

H. Comments - Board of Education

Board members provided comments.

I. Comments – Superintendent

Dr. McLaughlin provided comments.

3. ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL

A. Board of Education – Adoption of Resolution #23/24-25: Public School Volunteer Week
Trustee Gorbach made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Powell. There was no discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential “yes” vote from Trustee Kahl.**

B. Instructional Services – Approval of Resolution #23/24-24: Read Across America Week
Trustee Gill made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Powell. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential “yes” vote from Trustee Kahl.**

C. Instructional Services – Approval of New Middle School Core Literature Title – Almost American Girl

Trustee Sylvester made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Gorbach. Dr. McLaughlin provided background on the core literature adoption process that took place prior to Board approval. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with a preferential “yes” vote from Trustee Kahl.**

D. Instructional Services – Approval of New High School Core Literature Titles – Overground Railroad and Piranesi

Trustee Powell 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 Kahl.**

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 Kahl.**

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Board of Education - Approval of Minutes**
- B. Board of Education - Approval of Adoption of New Board Policy 0000 - Vision**
- C. Superintendent - Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools**
- D. Human Resources - Personnel Assignment Orders**
- E. Human Resources - Approval of Updates to the 2024-2025 School Year Calendar**
- F. Human Resources - Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4119.11, 4219.11, 4319.11 - Sexual Harassment**
- G. Human Resources - Adoption of New Administrative Regulation 4119.12 - Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures**
- H. Instructional Services - Approval of Contracts Under \$5,000**
- I. Instructional Services - Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials**
- J. Instructional Services - Approval of New Contract - Lexia Learning Systems LLC (Lexia) - DEC**
- K. Instructional Services - Approval of Contract Amendment with Conejo Recreation and Park District**
- L. Instructional Services - Overnight Trip Request - Thousand Oaks High School ETHOS**
- M. Instructional Services - Overnight Trip Request - NPHS Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Conference**
- N. Instructional Services - Overnight Trip Request - Westlake High School Academic Decathlon Competition**
- O. Instructional Services - Approval of New Contract with Conejo Recreation and Park District (CRPD)**
- P. Instructional Services - Overnight Trip Request - Newbury Park High School - WCE Dance Nationals**
- Q. Instructional Services - Approval of New Contract - The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation - WHS**
- R. Instructional Services - Approval of New Agreement with Dance 4 Wellness**
- S. Student Services - Approval of New Contract - Dr. Karen Begun**
- T. Student Services - Approval of Renewal Memorandum of Understanding with Pleasant Valley School District**
- U. Business Services - Approval of Transfer of Funds - January 2024**
- V. Business Services - Acceptance of Donations/Gifts**
- W. Business Services - Ratification of Warrants - January 2024**
- X. Business Services – MEASURE I - Award of Contract – All Access Restroom – Newbury Park High School**
- Y. Business Services - MEASURE I - Notices of Completion**
- Z. Business Services - Ratification of Statement of Work for SQL Training**

AA. Business Services - Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 3400 and Acceptance of New Administrative Regulation 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts

BB. Business Services - Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment

CC. Business Services - Approval of Purchase Order Report (POs exceeding \$5,000)

DD. Business Services - Ratification of Purchase Orders Report (POs under \$5,000)

EE. Business Services - Ratification of Agreement with KinderSystems

FF. Business Services - Approval of Workers' Compensation Claims (over \$50,000)

5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – GENERAL

A. Presentation: Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Budget Overview for Parents (BOP) Mid-Year Update

Mr. Loo provided a mid-year update on the LCAP and BOP, which included the background and purpose of the mid-year update, mid-year report metrics, expenditures, and actions; highlighted metrics for all four LCAP goals, including 2020-2021 baseline information, desired outcomes for 2023-24, the 2023-24 mid-year update, and current status; and highlighted actions for all four LCAP goals, including the adopted budget, year-to-date expenditures, and implementation status. Mr. Loo responded to questions from Board members regarding valuable information gained from this mid-year update, next steps, if any, for the distribution of this information, identification of LCAP goal types, how completion of individual metrics are identified, and 2022-23 data points reflected in the 2023-24 California Dashboard results.

B. Presentation: Data at Every Level: Presentation on Student Progress

Mr. Loo, along with Principals Aileen Wall, Shane Frank, and Eric Bergmann, presented multi-level data on student progress at the school and district level, which included definitions for student groups and data level types – satellite data, map data, and street data; California Dashboard results for English Language Arts and Mathematics, CAASPP participation rates, English Learner progress, the California Alternative Assessment for eligible students with IEPs, Least Restrictive Environment data, proficiency and grade distribution data, high school graduation rates, pass rates for Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) testing, feedback from students and staff, site level processes for elementary, middle, and high school; and a summary of district level data, including data reviewed and corresponding actions. Mr. Loo and the principals responded to questions from Board members regarding incentives to increase data collection and reflection on key findings.

C. Board of Education – Adoption of New Board Policy 0100 - Philosophy

Dr. McLaughlin stated that Board Policy 0100 – Philosophy had not been adopted by our district previously and is solely based on Gamut language. Board members discussed whether to approve the Series 0000 Board Policies related to the district's vision, goals, and philosophy with the stated Gamut language, or to form a Board ad hoc committee to review these policies to include CVUSD drafted language tied to the district's LCAP goals. The Board reached consensus to create a Board ad hoc committee, consisting of Trustees Powell and Sylvester, to review the Series 0000 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations and bring these policies

and regulations back to the Board with suggested amendments.

D. Board of Education – Approval of Amendments to Board Bylaw 9321 and Exhibits 9321 (1) and (2) – Closed Session

Dr. McLaughlin provided background on the amendments specified by Gamut related to an appellate court ruling clarifying the process by which an item is agendaized in closed session when based on a threat of litigation made by a person outside of an open meeting, and clarifications in the exhibits related to specific agenda descriptions for closed session items and descriptions to report out for specified closed session items. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item.

E. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 5145.3 – Nondiscrimination/Harassment

Mr. Loo provided background on the amendments specified by Gamut related to Assembly Bill 1078, which requires that district policy prohibiting discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying includes statements that the policy applies to all acts of the Governing Board and Superintendent, and clarifies when it is unlawful discrimination for the Board to refuse to approve the use or prohibit the use of any textbooks and instructional materials. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item.

F. Student Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative regulation 6173.1 – Education for Foster Youth

Dr. Egans provided background on the amendments specified by Gamut related to Senate Bill 532, which requires districts to report the number of foster youths who graduated with an exemption from district-established graduation requirements. The amendments on the administrative regulation are related to amendments to the definition of foster youth, requirements for districts to provide home-to-school transportation with a fee exemption, clarification on the educational rights holder, and additional requirements and exemptions from graduation requirements for foster youth based on when they transfer into a school district. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item.

G. Human Resources – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 4112.9 and Approval of New Exhibit 4112.9-E(1) – Employee Notifications

Mrs. Ashmore clarified that the amendments specified by Gamut included the addition of policy references based on updated law, and a new exhibit detailing when employee notifications are required to be made and which employee groups are required to receive the notifications. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item.

6. ADJOURNMENT

A. Future Board Topics / Activities

Board members reached consensus to provide direction to the Superintendent to create an ad hoc committee to review the district's current dress code, solicit stakeholder feedback, and report feedback and suggested amendments back to the Board at a future meeting.

B. Adjournment

President Goldberg adjourned the Open Session at 9:56 p.m. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 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.

March 6, 2024

Date



Board Clerk

March 6, 2024

Date



Superintendent

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