



CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
CVUSD Board Room
1402 E. Janss Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, March 16, 2021

MINUTES

1. CLOSED SESSION

A. Comments – Public

President Fitzgerald read a statement regarding the consideration of a Closed Session agenda item and announced that there was one (1) public comment request submitted. That speaker received three (3) minutes to speak, and then the Board convened into Closed Session at 4:35 p.m. where the following items were discussed:

B. Public Employee Appointment/Employment/Evaluation, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

C. Consideration of Stipulated Award in accordance with provisions in Government Code Section 54956.95 – insurance pooling; tort liability losses; public liability losses; workers' compensation liability; Stipulated Award request for 1893800034

D. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8. Property: 2498 Conejo Center Drive, Newbury Park, California. Agency Negotiator: Dr. Victor Hayek, Deputy Superintendent. Negotiating Party: Perspective Law Group, P.C. on behalf of ARC Investment Group LLC and other potential parties to be determined. Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

E. Labor Negotiations, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. The agency negotiator is Jeanne Valentine, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources. Employee Organizations: Conejo Valley Pupil Personnel Association (CVPPA)

Closed Session ended at 6:00 p.m.

2. OPEN SESSION

A. Call the Meeting to Order and Roll Call

Call to Order and Roll Call: President Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Board Members present: President Jenny Fitzgerald, Vice President Bill Gorback, Karen Sylvester, Lauren Gill, Cindy Goldberg, and Student Trustee Addie Craig.

Administration present: Dr. Mark McLaughlin, Superintendent; Victor Hayek, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services; Jeanne Valentine, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Lou Lichtl, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services and Dr. Lisa Miller, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Announcements from Closed Session and Open Session Procedures

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

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D. Approval of the Agenda

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve the amended agenda, tabling item 4E and pulling items 4H, I, J, K, O and T for a separate vote, seconded by Trustee Gorback. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

E. Report from Student Organization – Student District Advisory Committee (SDAC)

Student Trustee Craig provided an update from the Student District Advisory Committee, including progress on interviews for next year’s SDAC applicants, a debrief of SDAC subcommittee work, and information on the SDAC Canvas page, newsletter, and SDAC representatives meeting with principals to provide feedback on the reopening of school.

F. Comments – Public

President Fitzgerald announced that there were eight (8) public comment requests submitted, and each speaker received three (3) minutes to speak. President Fitzgerald, Dr. McLaughlin and Dr. Miller provided clarifications on comments made by public speakers. There were two (2) public written statements submitted.

G. Comments – Board of Education

Individual Board members provided comments.

H. Comments – Superintendent

Dr. McLaughlin provided comments.

3. ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL

A. Board of Education – Approval of Board Governance Calendar

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Gorback. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

B. Instructional Services – Approval of Resolution #20/21-24: In Support of Civic Learning and the California State Seal of Civic Engagement

Trustee Gorback made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Goldberg. Trustee Craig provided comments on this agenda item, and there was no Board discussion. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

C. Student Services – Approval of Resolution #20/21-27: In Support of National Women’s History Month

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Sylvester. President Fitzgerald provided comments on this agenda item, and there was no Board discussion. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

4. ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

President Fitzgerald stated that the Board would start the approval of the Consent Agenda by addressing pulled items 4H, I, J, K, O and T for a separate vote, in the order given, and reminded the Board that item 4E was tabled for a future Board meeting. One (1) public written statement was provided for Consent Agenda Item 4E.

H. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5126 – Awards for Achievement

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Gorback. Trustee Gill requested revisions to the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation, to which the Board reached consensus to approve. Dr. McLaughlin stated that the requested adjustments will be made, and the item will be brought back for Board approval.

- *Trustee Goldberg rescinded her original motion and moved to table item 4H, seconded by Trustee Gorback. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.***

I. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.7 – Sexual Harassment

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve with any agreed upon amendments, seconded by Trustee Sylvester. Dr. McLaughlin and Mr. Lichtl responded to questions from Board members and requests for language adjustments specific to the addition of the names of individuals serving as District and Site Title IX Coordinators as an addendum or within the Administrative Regulation. **Motion failed: 4-1, with President Fitzgerald and Trustees Gorback, Gill and Sylvester voting “no,” Trustee Goldberg voting “yes,” and an honorary “no” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

President Fitzgerald stated that staff should look at placing this item back on the agenda for a future Board meeting.

J. Instructional Services – Approval of New Administrative Regulation and Exhibit 5145.71 – Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve with any agreed upon amendments, seconded by Trustee Sylvester. There was Board discussion on this agenda item with the direction to provide the same language adjustments requested for Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.7 – Sexual Harassment (Agenda Item 4I).

- *Trustee Goldberg rescinded her original motion and moved to table item 4J, seconded by Trustee Gorback. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.***

K. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6143 – Courses of Study

Trustee Goldberg made the motion to approve with any agreed upon amendments, seconded by Trustee Sylvester. There was Board discussion on this agenda item, to which Dr. McLaughlin and District staff provided clarifications. Dr. McLaughlin stated that he will develop a plan with staff to address the proposed Ethnic Studies course, including a project chart with timeframes, a checklist of responsibilities and information on the proposed framework, and will bring this item back to the Board for review at the Board meeting on April 20, 2021. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

O. Business Services – Acceptance of Donations/Gifts

President Fitzgerald stated that Trustee Goldberg recused herself from this agenda item. Trustee Sylvester made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Gill. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 4-0, with a recusal from Trustee Goldberg and an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

T. Business Services – 220-2021 District Fee Review: Civic Center Fees

President Fitzgerald stated that Trustee Goldberg recused herself from this agenda item. Trustee Sylvester made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Gill. There was no Board discussion on this agenda item. **Motion carried: 4-0, with a recusal from Trustee Goldberg and an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.**

- *Trustee Gorback made the motion to approve the remainder of the amended agenda, seconded by Trustee Goldberg. **Motion carried: 5-0, with an honorary “yes” vote from Student Trustee Craig.***

REMAINDER OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Board of Education – Approval of Minutes**
- B. Human Resources – Personnel Assignment Orders**
- C. Human Resources – Approval of New Agreement with San Jose State University – School Social Work Contract**
- D. Student Services – Approval of New Contracts with David Tovar, Consultant for the California Department of Health Care Service’s Community Prevention Initiative, and Los Robles Hospital**
- E. Instructional Services – Approval of New Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Vista Real Public Charter, Inc.**
- F. Instructional Services – Approval of IXL Learning Renewal Agreement**
- G. Instructional Services – Approval of New Contract with Cardea Services**
- L. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 6170.1 – Transitional Kindergarten**
- M. Business Services – Approval of Transfer of Funds – February 2021**
- N. Business Services – Ratification of Warrants – February 2021**
- P. Business Services – Ratification of Workers’ Compensation Claims (under \$50,000)**
- Q. Business Services – Approval of Workers’ Compensation Claims (over \$50,000)**
- R. Business Services – Approval of Award of Contract for Third Party Administration Services for Tax Sheltered Annuities**
- S. Business Services – 2021-2022 District Fee Review: Child Care Services**
- U. Business Services – Approval of Purchase Order Report (PO’s exceeding \$5,000)**
- V. Business Services – Ratification of Purchase Order Report (PO’s under \$5,000)**
- W. Business Services – Maintenance & Operations Department – Approval of Field Contracts for 2020-2021**

- X. **Business Services – MEASURE I – Award of Contract – Exterior Façade Improvements – Los Cerritos Middle School**
- Y. **Business Services – MEASURE I – Change Order 1: Athletic Field and Parking Lot – Newbury Park High School – Marina Landscape, Inc.**
- Z. **Business Services – Notices of Completion**
- AA. **Business Services – Approval of Addendum to the Certification of Signatures for 2020-2021**

5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – GENERAL

A. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5132 – Dress and Grooming

President Fitzgerald recused herself from this agenda item and turned the meeting over to Vice President Gorback. Members of the Student District Advisory Committee (SDAC) and middle school student, Abbie Fitzgerald, provided an overview of the dress code amendment process and answered questions from Board members. An adjustment was requested to language on page 1 of the Administrative Regulation, to which there was no objection from Board members.

B. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5131.2 – Bullying

Dr. McLaughlin and Mr. Lichtl responded to questions from Board members. Adjustments were requested to language on pages 3 and 9 of the Administrative Regulation, to which there was no objection from Board members. Per the Board’s request, Dr. Miller will review Board Policy 5141.52 – Suicide Prevention, which is referenced in Administrative Regulation 5131.2 but does not contain language specific to grades K-6 per the mandate in Education Code 215.

C. Instructional Services – Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.3 – Nondiscrimination Harassment

Dr. McLaughlin and Mr. Lichtl responded to questions from Board members. President Fitzgerald requested adjustments to language regarding gender pronoun references in the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation and on page 12, item 7 of the Administrative Regulation. Board members did not object to the requested adjustments. The Board asked Mr. Lichtl to research training provided to school site staffs regarding nondiscrimination harassment, specifically focusing on students being permitted to participate in activities in accordance with their gender identities and how to guard against separating and segregating students during instruction and other activities.

6. ADJOURNMENT

A. Future Board Topics / Activities

The Board added the following topic to be discussed at a future Board meeting:

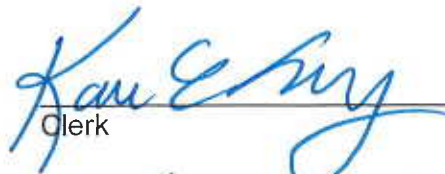
- Student District Advisory Committee (SDAC) presentation on cell phones and bathrooms.

B. Adjournment

President Fitzgerald adjourned the Open Session at 9:29 p.m. The next scheduled Board meeting will be Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 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.

April 20, 2021

Date



Clerk

April 20, 2021

Date



Superintendent

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