



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

BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Friday, May 5, 2023

MINUTES

1. OPEN SESSION

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Call to Order: President Gill called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.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. Approval of the Agenda

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

D. Comments – Public (Limited to Special Board Meeting Agenda Items Only)

President Gill announced that there were no public comment requests submitted.

2. STUDY SESSION

A. Adjustments to Governance Calendar / 2022-23 District Highlights to Date / 2022-23 District Goals and Objectives Update

President Gill started the Study Session with the following statement: "We are a high-performing district with dedicated, professional educators committed to seeking equity and excellence every day. We have an engaged community that cares about students and appreciates the central role of schools in our community. We have a deep, interconnected set of accomplishments on our agenda to review. None of it happens by accident. This is our annual

session to assess progress, reflect on our purpose, and recommit to our goals for the next year's work together."

The Board then discussed the following items:

- **Governance Calendar:**
 - The Board reached consensus to add a resolution to acknowledge LGBTQ+ History Month in October annually.
 - The Board reached consensus to add a resolution to acknowledge Native American History Month in November annually.
 - Suggestion to review CSBA's special recognition calendar to determine which recognitions the Board would like to add and keep in the same timeframe.
 - The Board reached consensus to change the "Awards and Recognitions" column to reflect events all throughout the school year as opposed to listing events by month.
 - The Board reached consensus to separate the Tulsa Race Massacre and Juneteenth resolutions and acknowledge them in their respective months.

- **2022-2023 District Highlights to Date:**

Each division provided highlights from this year's efforts (Attachment #2) and briefly described several highlights of interest. District staff answered questions from Board members regarding Chromebook training offered to students, the process for obsoleted devices that are not auctioned off, and the availability of weekly report information and DAC presentations for public viewing.

- **2022-23 District Goals and Objectives Update:**

Each division provided an update on District goals and objectives for the next school year as highlighted below:

 - **Literacy Titles:**
 - Requests have been received to add more representation of the LGBTQ+ community in the curriculum.
 - **Middle School / High School California Healthy Youth Act Material:**
 - The Board reached consensus to remove this goal for the 2023-24 school year.
 - 4% of students opted out of the 7th grade curriculum.
 - **Grading Policy Metrics and Data:**
 - The Board has requested updating the Administrative Regulation on grading to allow the district to explore other processes for grading while leaving the traditional process intact.
 - The Board has requested a future presentation from different teachers with different grading practices.

- **Metrics on A-G Completion Rates:**
 - A new process is in place this year.
 - Current data available is only for the 2020/21 school year.
- **Least Restrictive Environment (LRE):**
 - The new state requirement is 70% for LRE; CVUSD was at 46.9% during the 2019/20 school year.
 - The Board has requested data by grade level.
 - The Board has asked for an update on co-teaching procedures and the co-teaching handbook.
 - The handbook has been finalized and is being reviewed by high school administrators and union leaders; teachers will receive the handbook during the next school year.
- **Goal 1 – Actions/Services:**
 - Great feedback from the March professional development on mastery grading.
 - Core literature titles – student survey results on providing a different perspective: Middle School – 82% stated yes, 10% were neutral; High School – 89% stated yes.
 - The Board reached consensus to remove the goal related to adopting new instructional materials compliant with the California Healthy Youth Act (Goal 1.4).
 - The Board reached consensus to remove the goal related to updating the existing Human Growth and Development instruction for grades 4, 5 and 6 (Goal 1.4).
 - The Board reached consensus to remove the portion of Goal 1.5 related to adopting core curriculum and/or create consistent supplemental materials consistent with the Fair Education Act in K-12 history/social science curriculum.
 - The Board reached consensus to keep the portion of Goal 1.5 related to the Ethnic Studies course.
 - The Board provided direction to the district to include more specifics in the LCAP on the impact of UDL.
- **Goal 2 – Actions/Services:**
 - The Board requested that the district send out communication to teachers about professional development for practices that have been provided to site administrators.
- **Goal 3 – Metrics:**
 - The Board did not discuss Goal 3 metrics.

- **Goal 4 – Metrics:**
 - **The Board discussed the following:**
 - Suggested interest in a future presentation from different teachers with diverse approaches on Social Emotion Learning (SEL) teachings.
 - Providing more presentations to teachers on SEL strategies in the classroom at the high school level, as well as available resources.
 - Revising the goal for targeted Tier 2 SEL lessons to increase access to 50% of the student population.
 - Providing more communication about school psychologists assisting with evaluations rather than paying for outside services.
 - Basing the metric on overall student health throughout the SEL lessons as opposed to the amount of time per lesson.

- **Goal 4 Actions/Services:**
 - The Board did not discuss Goal 4 actions/services.

- **New Goals:**
 - The Board recommended considering a strategy on supporting the programs that were created by stimulus and grant funds.
 - The Board recommended creating strategies on what defines each school site and help communicate out what makes them a unique community school (pillars of community schools).

3. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjournment

President Gill adjourned the Study Session at 12:13 p.m. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Wednesday, May 17, 2023, 5:30 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.

June 7, 2023

Date



Board Clerk

June 7, 2023

Date

Superintendent

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