

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WISEBURN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

March 8, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by JoAnne Kaneda, President, in the District Board Room. Call to Order

Members present: Roll Call
Roger Bañuelos (absent) Neil Goldman
JoAnne Kaneda Nelson Martinez
Israel Mora

Administrators present:
Dr. Thomas R. Johnstone, Superintendent
Dr. Chris Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Mary Ring, Assistant Superintendent
David Wilson, Chief Business Official
Dr. Aileen Harbeck, Director, Educational Services
Mr. Vince Madsen, Director of Facilities Planning
Ana Montes, Director, Human Resources

The Board entered closed session at 6:03 p.m. and reconvened at 7:02 p.m. There was no reportable action during Closed Session. Closed Session

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Dr. Blake Silvers.

A public hearing was opened at 7:45 p.m. for the community and others to comment on the Da Vinci Science Charter Renewal. The hearing was closed at 7:49 p.m. with no comments offered. Public Hearing

The Cabrillo CGI Team, including Jennifer Williams, Principal Lisa Baggio, Melissa Craig, Emily Witkowski and approximately 15 students and their families, enjoyed the CGI Journey Presentation at Cabrillo Elementary School. The CGI Presentation focused on the positive impact that CGI has had on both teaching and learning at Cabrillo. The presentation was student-centered on three mathematics problems that the students solved together. CGI is in its 3rd year at Cabrillo School. Special Presentation

Year 1, the focus was building on what kids already know, and there was lots of training for teachers and nine lab days. The lab days included intensive coaching and a plan to reflect on lessons. In Year 1 there was one mentor and five fellows. In Year 2 the number of fellows was expanded to seven and the lab days were expanded to include the whole staff. In Year 3, the CGI team wrote a \$28,000 math grant to the COTSEN Foundation and they were successfully funded. All untrained teachers have now received training and these teachers are receiving one-to-one coaching from the mentor and COTSEN fellows. There have been 7 inquiry meetings, which are intended to expand leadership through the PEDR Model (Plan, Execute, Debrief and Reflect). Culminating activities for the year will be a CGI Parent Night on March 20th and the Cabrillo staff will participate in an Escape Room activity.

The presentation was extremely well-received by the Board, parents and the community. Congratulations to the Cabrillo staff for all of their hard work.

Doug Krauss from the Hawthorne/LAX/Lennox Rotary Club presented two Rotary Mini-Grants to Stacy Shepard and Alice Davis at Dana Middle School, and the second one to Tanya Woodward at Anza School. Tanya will use her grant to purchase more flexible furniture for

her classroom, and Stacy and Alice will purchase new literacy materials for their classrooms.

Special Presentation
(Cont'd.)

Suzanne Avon from the South Bay 360 community introduced herself and thanked Dr. Johnstone and the Wiseburn administration for their wonderful presentation at South Bay 360 on February 17, 2018. Suzanne is active on the parent committee at 360 and expressed her strong support for Wiseburn schools.

From the Public

Dr. Goldman thanked Suzanne Avon and all the supportive parents at South Bay 360.

From the Board

He also thanked all the members of the Wiseburn community who showed up for the Town Hall on March 6, 2018. He expressed that the Board and Wiseburn administration learned a lot and carefully listened to the community and actually made several adjustments to the bond petition.

Dr. Goldman welcomed Dr. Blake Silvers and shared how happy he and the rest of the Board are to have Dr. Silvers as the next superintendent of Wiseburn.

In closing, he wished our CBO, David Wilson, a happy birthday. And the entire Board Room sang "Happy Birthday" to Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Martinez thanked Lisa Baggio and Jennifer Williams for their very inspirational presentation on Cognitively Guided Instruction (CGI) and he especially thanked the students and families that showed up to the Board meeting.

Mr. Martinez shared that he and Mr. Bañuelos had attended the Coalition for Adequate School Housing (C.A.S.H.) conference up in Sacramento. He shared that there were two major themes to the conference. One, lack of support from the Governor on releasing matching funds, and presentations on 21st century learning – one of which was presented by Vince Madsen, which was extremely well-received.

Mr. Martinez shared that Wiseburn Unified was able to build the new high school at \$297 per square foot, whereas today, the going rate for school construction is \$500-\$600 per square foot.

Mr. Martinez shared that Baldwin Park Unified School District toured the high school and were extremely impressed.

Mr. Martinez shared that he was able to attend one of the Dana Middle School basketball games where Dana beat Hawthorne Middle School for first place.

In closing, Mr. Martinez commended Dr. Johnstone, Roger Bañuelos and Neil Goldman for thoughtfully answering questions during the Town Hall and he thanked the community for their participation. He also expressed that he very much understands and empathizes for the needs of fixed income families and how a bond measure impacts them.

Ms. Kaneda shared that she regretfully had to miss the Town Hall meeting due to a business trip out of town but shared that her heart was with everyone and that she is very respectful of the viewpoints that were expressed at the Town Hall.

She again expressed her extreme happiness with the results of the superintendent interviews and also expressed that she is very happy with the support that the Boeing company has been able to provide to the Da Vinci Schools and Wiseburn, specifically the Hackathons that Mr. DeSeriè is leading.

In closing, she shared that her husband, Clayton, is coaching the Vistamar baseball team and that they will be playing the Da Vinci baseball team in the near future so she knows she will be conflicted.

Mr. Wilson shared that CalPERS and STRS have lowered their yield threshold to 7%, which is more in line with yields over the last decade. The previous yield threshold was 7.5%. From the Chief Business Official

Mr. Wilson shared that he would explain the 2nd Interim when that item comes up on the Board agenda.

Dr. Jones shared that the Da Vinci Boys' Basketball team went to the CIF Finals and lost by 10 points to Duarte. Dr. Jones specifically recognized the excellent job that Coach Rudd did. From the Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Jones gave the Board an update on campus security at the high schools. These are very difficult times nationally due to the long shadow of Parkland, Florida. The expression "See Something, Say Something" has triggered many student reports and a lot of administrative time following up on potential threats to our students. The entire 201 building held an Armed Intruder Drill on March 1, 2018. Some items that have come to light through the past several weeks are the need for the door locks that Wiseburn and Da Vinci will be installing on all classrooms.

In closing, Dr. Jones reviewed the gun violence in schools "Walk Out" that is scheduled for March 14, 2018. The goal is to allow student voices to be heard while maintaining the safety of our students. This will all occur in safe spaces on campuses.

Mr. Madsen shared his presentation at the C.A.S.H. conference and also shared that he was asked to speak about piggybacks at the C.A.S.H. conference and received a great response. From Director of Facilities Planning

Mr. Eugene Clark-Herrera from Orrick and Sutcliffe, who represents Wiseburn as bond counsel, reviewed the bond resolution. Mr. Clark-Herrera received comments from all four Board members and made changes to the resolution based on community feedback from the Town Hall meeting. Maintaining excellence is a primary theme of this bond election.

Mr. Clark-Herrera also fielded questions from Cindy Parsons regarding the ability to exclude senior citizens from a bond election. Mr. Clark-Herrera shared that unfortunately the ability to exclude can only occur with parcel tax elections and not General Obligation bond elections.

Dr. Johnstone shared a sample resolution for support of AB 2808 (Muratsuchi) about increasing the Local Control Funding Formula to the national average. The Board enthusiastically requested that Dr. Johnstone put this on the next Board agenda. From the Superintendent

Dr. Johnstone shared the Da Vinci renewal calendar.

Dr. Johnstone shared that more than 15 real estate agents from Shorewood Real Estate in El Segundo visited the Da Vinci High Schools on March 6, 2018.

In closing, Dr. Johnstone shared that 10 members of the Wiseburn Unified School District team attended a COTSEN event on Cognitively Guided Instruction in Lakewood on March 7, 2018. Wiseburn had the largest contingent there, and the focus was steps that need to be taken to institutionalize CGI throughout a school and throughout the district.

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held February 8, 2018. M17.635 Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held February 22, 2018.

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Special meeting held February 24, 2018 with one correction to word replacement.

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Special meeting held February 25, 2018.	M17.635 Minutes (Cont'd.)
On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Resolution #17/18.15, Resolution Ordering a School Bond Election, and Authorizing Necessary Actions in Connection Therewith.	M17.636 Resolution #17/18.15, Ordering School Bond Election
On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the Comprehensive School Safety Plans for Juan de Anza, Peter Burnett, Juan Cabrillo and Dana Middle School for the 2017-18 school year.	M17.637 Comprehensive School Safety Plans
The item related to the approval of a Facilities Use Agreement between Wiseburn Unified School District and El Segundo Unified School District for the Aquatic Center was tabled for further discussion and will be brought back to a future meeting.	Item tabled.
On a motion by Dr. Goldman, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to adopt Resolutions #17/18.16-30 – Regarding the Release of Certificated Employees and Related Actions.	M17.638 Resolutions #17/18.16- 30, Regarding Release of Certificated Employees
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted 4-0 to adopt the Covina Valley Unified School District Cooperative Agreement for the utilization of maintenance services. The cooperative agreement is a Los Angeles County Wide School District Cooperative that allows for routine and deferred maintenance labor services. The agreement includes fixed cost pricing, project management, no cost warehousing and 10 year workmanship warranty. This approval allows staff to enter into individual projects throughout the District up to \$100,000 during the 2017-18 school year. Each project using this agreement will be individually board approved not exceeding the authorized limit per fiscal year.	M17.639 Cooperative Agreement
On a motion by Dr. Goldman, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Proposal based on Piggyback Bid #1 for flooring for the old district office on Aviation Blvd. with <i>KYA Services LLC</i> . in the amount not to exceed \$25,449.48. This proposal includes material and will be paid from One-Time State Mandate Funds.	M17.640 KYA Services, LLC
On a motion by Dr. Goldman, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Proposal per Covina Valley Unified School District Cooperative Agreement for tackboard, painting, drywall, and window treatment for the old district office on Aviation Blvd. with <i>KYA Services LLC</i> . in the amount not to exceed \$54,345. This proposal includes labor per Covina Valley Unified District Cooperative Agreement and will be paid from One-Time State Mandate Funds.	M17.641 KYA Services, LLC
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to ratify a contract with Talking Teaching Network for the 2017-18 school year to provide support in curriculum development, scope and sequence as well as lesson study planning in the areas of English Language Arts, English Language Development, Social Studies, and Science. To be paid half from Dana Site Discretionary Funds and the other half from Measure CL, Professional Development.	M17.642 Talking Teaching Network
On a motion by Dr. Goldman, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted 4-0 to approve STAR Education Agreement for Consultant Services for Escape Room Adventure on March 21, 2018 from 3:00-4:00 p.m., not to exceed 40 participants, at the cost of \$1,500 to be paid from the Cabrillo Cotsen Grant Funds.	M17.643 STAR Education – Escape Room

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the Second Interim Report and all related budget revisions and transfers as of January 31, 2018, as a positive certification. M17.644
Second Interim

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted 4-0 to ratify/approve attendance at the following meetings or conferences, including provision of substitute teachers as needed, and transportation by car at 50¢ per mile, or lowest reasonable air fare as appropriate: M17.645
Conference Attendance

1. Janae Jeffery, Cathy Crnkovich, Dana Brooks, Shannon Kuhn, Renee Amaral, Ruby del Rio, Katie Miliias, Deidra Jeffery and Bonnie Olguin at the UCLA Math Project's "CGI Training" in Hawthorne on February 20, 21 and 23, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$6,500 and to be paid by a CGI Grant and included in budget.
2. Dr. Aileen Harbeck, Albert Paredes, Lisa Baggio and Ana Montes at a School Program Visit in Laguna Nigel on February 26, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$100 to be paid by the General Fund and included in budget.
3. Dr. Tom Johnstone, Dr. Blake Silvers and Kiana Brede at the California Department of Education's "California Schools to Watch – Taking Center Stage" in Sacramento on March 1-3, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$2,500 and to be paid from the General Fund and Dana Site Funds and included in budget.
4. Dianna Castellanos at the Southwest SELPA's "PEERS Certified School-Based Social Skills Training" in Lennox on March 12-14, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$100 and to be paid from Special Education Funds and included in budget.
5. Mayra Figueroa and Stephanie Kinsella at the Southern California Special Education Administrators' "Speech Resonance Disorders" in Lakewood on March 14, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$200 and to be paid from Special Education Funds and included in budget.
6. Ana Montes and Sammie Alvarado at LACOE's "CalSTRS Area Workshop on Post Retirement and Creditable Service, Membership..." in Downey on March 19, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$30 to be paid from the General Fund and included in budget.
7. Cathy Waller, Ayana Cadres, Carrie Schat and Jessica Wright at the Southwest SELPA's "Evidence Based Interventions for Dyslexia" in Lennox and Hawthorne on March 20, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$240 and to be paid from Special Education Funds and included in budget.
8. Madison Scar at the Southwest SELPA's "Dyslexia Interventions" in Hawthorne on March 20, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$30 to be paid from Special Education Funds and included in budget.
9. Ayana Cadres, Jessica Acosta and Archana Prasad at the Southwest SELPA's "NCPI Refresher Training" in Hawthorne on March 28, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$200 and to be paid from Special Education Funds and included in budget.
10. Dr. Tom Johnstone and Dr. Chris Jones at the LMU Alumni Association's "LMU School of Education Spring Networking Event" in Los Angeles on April 19, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$200 to be paid from the General Fund and included in budget.
11. Lori Croft and Patty Lonergan at ELPAC's "Initial Assessment Administration & Scoring Training" in Torrance on April 20, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$300 to be paid from Supplemental Funds.
12. Ayana Cadres at the Southwest SELPA's "Assessment of Executive Functioning" in Torrance on April 30, 2018 at an approximate cost of \$35 to be paid from Special Education Funds and included in budget.

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted 4-0 to approve/ratify the following classified employment/additional hours to be paid from the Classified Salary Schedule unless otherwise noted: M17.646
Additional Hours –
Classified

District

1. Approve the listed employees to attend/participate in four (4) Residency and Homeless workshops within WUSD for a total of up to 6 hours each, effective February 2018 through June 2018 and to be paid at each person's appropriate Range/Step from the

General Fund. Participants – Anita Collins, Susan Castellanos, Kristian Forte-Hill, Sandy Galdamez, Laura Nilsson, Lupe Montalvan, Lisa Ferraro, Martha Arevalo, Margarita Cisneros-Garcia, Ivett Arroyo, Monica Ward, Breana Contreras, D’Ann Ika, Alicia Galindo and Wendy Tsubaki. Cost to District approximately \$2,800 and included in budget. M17.646
Additional Hours –
Classified (Cont’d.)

2. Marco Chavez and Todd Houzvicka, Custodian/Groundskeepers, approve up to four (4) hours each of overtime to provide support to the WEF Icy Winter Wonderland, effective February 24, 2018 and to be paid at each person’s appropriate Range/Step. No cost to the District, all related costs will be reimbursed by WEF.
3. Marco Chavez, Custodian/Groundskeeper, and Gilbert Andrade, Facilities Support Custodian, approve a block of up to two (2) temporary overtime (as applicable) or additional hours (as applicable) to review procedures/training for weekend custodian duties, effective March 3, 2018 and to be paid at each person’s appropriate Range/Step from the General Fund. Cost to the District approximately \$150 and included in budget.

Burnett

4. Denise Major, Instructional Aide, approve up to 5 temporary part-time hours to provide support supervision, effective February 20, 2018 through March 29, 2018 and to be paid at Classified Range 6, Step E from the General Fund. Cost to District approximately \$600 and included in budget.
5. Priscilla Nunez, Instructional Aide, approve up to 19.25 hours per week at Peter Burnett School. This is a correction, as Ms. Nunez works 16.25 hours per week as an instructional aide and 3 hours per week as Noon Duty Supervisor, effective August 2017 and to be paid at her appropriate Range/Step from the General Fund. Cost to District approximately \$350 per week and included in budget.

Dana

6. Liana Rabay, Bertha Alfas and Hilda Arias, Instructional Aides, approve up to 220 total hours to cover for vacant position until filled, effective December 1, 2017 through June 14, 2018 and to be paid at each person’s appropriate Range/Step from Special Education Funds. Cost to District approximately \$4,100.

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted 4-0 to ratify up to 15 additional temporary hours for the District Nurse, Ellen Russ, to complete Vision & Hearing Screenings at Dana Middle School, effective February 20, 2018 through February 26, 2018 and to be paid at her hourly rate from the General Fund. M17.647
Additional Hours –
Vision & Hearing

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the following teachers as Master Teachers and approve payment of \$150 stipend to each for Master Teacher duties to be reimbursed to the District by Loyola Marymount University: M17.648
Master Teachers

- Deidra Jeffery
- Jennifer Flanders

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted 4-0 to ratify a Consultant’s Agreement with Jaime Hernandez, not to exceed \$6,800 or 80 hours at a rate of \$85 per hour, for services provided for the 2018-19 E-Rate funding year, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. No change from the prior year to the hourly rate or the number of maximum hours. These costs are offset by E-Rate savings. M17.649
Consultant’s Agreement
– Jaime Hernandez

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to accept the resignation of Stephanie Wilson, Dana Middle School Math Teacher, effective July 31, 2018. M17.650
Resignation –
Certificated

The Board entered closed session at 9:49 p.m. and reconvened at 10:53 p.m. There was no reportable action during Closed Session.

Closed Session

Mr. Mora moved and Dr. Goldman seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 10:53 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held Thursday, March 22, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.

Roger Bañuelos
Vice President / Clerk of the Board

Tom Johnstone
Secretary of the Board