# Laguna Beach Unified School District

# Board of Education Minutes of Regular Meeting August 13, 2019

## Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m., at the Central Offices for Laguna Beach Unified, 550 Blumont, Laguna Beach, California.

## Roll Call to Establish Quorum

Quorum was established.

Members Present:

Jan Vickers

Carol Normandin Peggy Wolff Dee Perry Jim Kelly

# **Present at Board Meeting**

**Employee Group** 

Representatives:

Margaret Warder, President, CSEA

Staff:

Jason Viloria, Ed.D., Superintendent

Jeff Dixon, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Leisa Winston, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources/Public

Communications

Victoria Webber, Executive Assistant

Anakaren Ureno, Communications Specialist Michael Keller, Director, Social Emotional Support Chad Mabery, Director, Assessment & Accountability

Irene White, Director, Special Education

Ryan Zajda, Director, Facilities

#### Pledge of Allegiance

President Vickers invited Member Wolff to lead the Board, staff, and members of the audience in reciting The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

## Adoption of Agenda

Public Comment: None

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Staff noted corrections to the July 23, 2019 meeting minutes and the addition of a report by the School Resource Officer, Cornelius Ashton.

Member Normandin moved adoption of the agenda as amended. Member Wolff seconded.

Discussion: None

Motion carried 5-0. Members Vickers, Normandin, Wolff, Perry, and Kelly voted yes to adopt the agenda.

### Recognitions

None.

# Public Comment (Non- Agenda Items)

Howard Hills addressed the Board.

## Reports

# LaBUFA Representative – Unable to attend

## CSEA Representative – Margaret Warder, CSEA President

- Attended CSEA Conference in Las Vegas
- Shared new labor representative for LBUSD Chapter is Emma Lopez

#### **Board Members**

Board members reported as follows:

#### Member Kelly

• No report

#### **Member Perry**

No report

#### Member Wolff

No report

### Member Normandin

- Attended Community Coalition
  - o Appreciates all the collaboration
- Thanked Dr. Viloria for all of the legislative information he has provided and the welcome back letter to staff
- Thanked staff for the quarterly communication update

#### **President Vickers**

- Commented on cell phone policy for students and would like input from the site leaders if it determined a review of the policy is needed
- Stated it was nice to be asked for a comment about the Niche report

#### Superintendent Viloria

- Reported on:
  - Niche ranked LBUSD #1 on Orange County and in the top ten in the State of California
  - Leadership workshop was last week
  - o Several summer projects
  - o Welcome Back Breakfast next week
  - o 27 students completed they psychology course through Irvine Valley College this summer

#### **Cabinet**

## Leisa Winston, Deputy Superintendent, Human Resources and Instructional Services

- HR held a new employee orientation for 17 new staff members (certificated and classified)
- Staff is preparing for professional development next week

## Jeff Dixon, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

• Ryan Zajda organized a BBQ for the M&O staff who were very appreciative

### SRO - Cornelius Ashton

• Presented on the Teen Leadership Academy held this summer

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Member Normandin pulled item a.i. July 23, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes to be voted on separately.

Public Comment: Howard Hills addressed the Board and suggested a parliamentarian be present at Board meetings.

Member Wolff moved approval of items a.ii-j. Member Kelly seconded.

- a. Approval of Minutes
  - i. July 23, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes pulled to be voted on separately
  - ii. July 16, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval/Ratification of Personnel Report

- c. Approval/Ratification of Student Field Trips
- d. Approval of Agreements for Contracted Services Special Education
- e. Approval of Agreements for Contracted Services Technology Services
- f. Approval/Ratification of Warrants #398370 through #398518 in the amount of \$1,434,347.42 Dates: 07/05/2019 through 07/23/2019
- g. Approval of Community Facilities District 98-1 (Crystal Cove) Administrative Expense Fund Disbursements Totaling \$2,403.67
- h. Approval of Alliant International University Agreement for Practicum and Internship with Laguna Beach Unified from August 1, 2019, through December 31, 2024
- i. Approval of Brandman University of Irvine Agreement for Educational Fieldwork Experience with Laguna Beach Unified from August 1, 2019 through July 21, 2022
- j. Approval of Assignment of Certificated Personnel to Coach a Competitive Sport or Activity and Provide Physical Education Credit by Governing Board Authorization Under Education Code Section 44258.7(b)

Discussion: None

Motion carried 5-0. Members Vickers, Normandin, Wolff, Perry, and Kelly voted yes.

Member Wolff moved approval of items a.i. Member Kelly seconded.

Motion carried 4-0-1. Members Vickers, Wolff, Perry, and Kelly voted yes. Member Normandin abstained.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Update to Audio/Visual Recording Equipment for the Boardroom and Implement Closed Captioning Requirements for ADA Compliance for Live Streaming During Board Meetings

The school board received an update on the audiovisual equipment that would need to be replaced in the boardroom to effectively live stream and record the meetings. The information item included a discussion on requirements for ADA compliance.

Public Comment: Howard Hills addressed the Board in support of livestreaming.

Board Discussion:

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The Board reached a consensus to reconvene live streaming of the school board meetings. They also provided direction to staff to bring action items for purchasing of equipment to the August 27 board meeting. Staff are continuing to explore options for Closed Captioning (CC) services and will bring an item to the board for approval at an upcoming school board meeting. Live streaming of school board meetings will resume when equipment is replaced and all necessary requirements for ADA compliance have been met, date to be determined. In the interim, meetings will continue to be recorded and posted to the district website within 24 hours.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

Approval of Second Year of Three-Year Contract with Hanover Research for 2019-20 School Year

Mrs. Winston stated the District has used Hanover Research since the 2016-2017 school year for districtwide surveys such as the LCAP and School Climate.

Public Comment: None

Board Member Questions: What's the most valuable research they've done for us? Dr. Viloria replied gap analysis.

Member Normandin moved approval. Member Wolff seconded.

Motion carried 5-0. Members Vickers, Normandin, Wolff, Perry, and Kelly voted yes.

Approval of Implementation Service Plan with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for Read 180 Support at Laguna Beach Unified School District for the 2019-20 School Year in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$11,657

Mrs. Winston stated this has been a very successful program for LBUSD.

Public Comment: None

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Board Member Questions: None

Member Normandin moved approval. Member Wolff seconded.

Board Discussion: None

Motion carried 5-0. Members Vickers, Normandin, Wolff, Perry, and Kelly voted yes.

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# Approval of Contract with The Aspen Group to Direct and Facilitate and Complete Coherent Governance Project with the LBUSD Board of Education and Staff

Dr. Viloria clarified the costs for travel expenses would be approximately \$10,000.

Public Comment: Howard Hills addressed the Board. He did not support approval.

**Board Member Questions:** 

Member Normandin moved approval. Member Wolff seconded.

Board Discussion: Board members discussed staff use of Board Policies, the cost, the time commitment, and the change of direction for the Board that would all be a part of a contract with The Aspen Group.

Motion failed 4-0-1. Members Vickers, Normandin, Wolff, and Perry voted no. Member Kelly abstained.

# Board Member Requests for Items for Future Meetings and Board Member Requests for Information

Public Comment: Howard Hills addressed the Board.

## Member Kelly

• Requested that the District's pension obligations be presented at a Board meeting.

### Member Perry

- Thanked Mr. Zajda for hosting the M&O BBQ.
- Commented on stopping by the leadership workshop and watching the strengths focused ice breaker activity
- Appreciates the Community Coalition. Mentioned legislation in Oregon and Utah regarding student mental health days

#### Member Wolff

- Thanked staff for the excellent Quarterly Communication Summary
- Attended a workshop on the Board/Superintendent relationship
- Commented on the offensive and demeaning comments made by a member of the public at the July 16, 2019 Board meeting
  - Members Kelly, Normandin, and Vickers agreed with Member Wolff's comments

- Asked staff to obtain a legal opinion on the requirements for Board members on the release of emails from personal and work accounts
  - o Consensus was reached on the request

#### Member Normandin

- Stated the School Board may not discuss closed session items outside of closed session
- Dee Perry did not nominate herself to be president in December 2018
- The Board has not violated the Brown Act
- Offered appreciation to Margaret Warder for attending conferences that serve CSEA members
- Stated the Board listens to everyone
- Bought books for the Boys & Girls Club after hearing racists comments

#### President Vickers

- Asked if staff had received any clarification from Southern California Edison on potential power shutdown days? Staff will provide an update in the weekly.
- Commented that public officials are required to put up with many types of comments but cannot respond in kind

#### Adjournment

President Vickers announced a special meeting would be held on Thursday, August 15, 2019 to discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation and Goal Setting. The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for August 27, 2019.

Member Normandin moved to adjourn. Member Wolff seconded.

Motion carried 5-0. Members Vickers, Normandin, Wolff, Perry, and Kelly voted yes to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Carol Normandin Clerk of the Board August 27, 2019