

Hanford Elementary School District
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
February 23, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Hanford Elementary School District Board of Trustees on February 23, 2022, at the District Office Board Room, 714 N. White Street, Hanford, CA.

Call to Order Vice-President Revious called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Trustee Garcia, Strickland and Hernandez were present. Trustee Garner was absent.

HESD Managers Present Joy C. Gabler, Superintendent, and the following administrators were present: Kristina Baldwin, Doug Carlton, David Endo, Robert Heugly, Jaime Martinez, Karen McConnell, William Potter, David Goldsmith, Jill Rubalcava and Jay Strickland.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Trustees adjourned to closed session at 5:30 for the purpose of:

- Student Discipline pursuant to Education Code section 48918

Open Session Trustees returned to open session at 5:49 p.m.

Case #22-10 & 22-11 Trustee Hernandez moved to accept the Findings of Facts and expel Case #22-10 for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year and the first semester of the 22-23 school year for violation of Education Code 48900 and/or 48915 as determined by the Administrative Panel at hearings held on February 22, 2022. However, Trustee Hernandez further moved that the parents may apply for readmission on or after June 3, 2022. If readmission is granted, the expulsion order shall be suspended, and the student may attend regular school in probationary status on a Behavior Conditions Plan through January 6, 2023. Trustee Strickland seconded; motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

Trustee Hernandez moved to accept the Findings of Fact in Case #22-11 and suspend student from continuation program for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year for violation of Education Code 48900 and/or 48915 as determined by the Administrative Panel at hearings held on February 22, 2022. Parents may apply for Readmission on or after June 3, 2022. Trustee Garcia seconded; Motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes

Strickland – Yes

PRESENTATION, REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Public Comments

Steven Salyer, parent of student at Woodrow Wilson, stated: "Apparently you guys don't get it. Our kids are not lepers. Kids don't need masks. Kings Christian schools don't have mask mandates, how many kids have died? None. Kings River Hardwick doesn't have masks. For some reason you are making kids wear mask. A mandate is not a law. I didn't sign a contract. Get them out of masks, it's stupid. Thank you."

Board and Staff Comments

Joy Gabler, acknowledged the two retirees, Doug Carlton for his 22 years of service and Dr. Carol Gallegos for 37 years.

Requests to Address the Board

None

Dates to Remember

Vice-President Revious reviewed dates to remember: Girls & Boys Basketball Game – February 25th; Girls & Boys Basketball Game – March 3rd; Regular Board Meeting – March 9th.

CONSENT ITEMS

Trustee Garcia made a motion to take consent items "a" through "c" together. Trustee Strickland seconded; motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

Trustee Garcia then made a motion to approve consent items "a" through "c". Trustee Strickland seconded; motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

The items approved are as follows:

- a) Warrant listings dated February 4, 2022 and February 11, 2022.
- b) Approve minutes of Regular Board Meeting held on February 9, 2022.
- c) Interdistrict transfers as recommended.

INFORMATION ITEMS

November 2022 a)
School Bond
Measure

Jason List, from Isom Advisors, presented information on the November 2022 School Bond Measure. Jason presented a PowerPoint presentation and stated this is only information on how a new bond measure would look like. Since 2009 session the district has come out well. There is growth. This past year was weird due to covid growth, but not uncommon. 2022-23 property values have changed, those assessed values will change. The bond will cost \$30 per \$100k of value. The district has outstanding bonds of \$22 million. If it needs more than \$17.4 million, the district will have it. In terms of his recommendation is if the district needs all \$35 million, that's the answer, but if it needs less, you can do it in different ways. It should just give you enough cushion for the current projects. Jason asked if there is a number the district is targeting. William Potter stated what is needed right now for Monroe and Jefferson to be modernized is \$6.5 million. Then there are the junior high schools. David Endo added in regard to the modernization, the state matches 60/40. The district must come up with 40. Applications have been submitted. The good news is there is money coming, but we don't know when. The district would have to come up with the money. The junior high will be a big project. Vice-President Revious asked if we are looking for a bond in the 20 million range. David Endo answered yes. Superintendent Joy Gabler stated \$24 million was the amount of our 2016 Measure U Bond. David Endo stated we will have to prioritize. Just because we authorize \$20 million, it would be over the series of 3 sales. Just like 2016, we would need to grow into what we can afford as time goes by. But if tax base grows more than what we think, we can squeeze more bond, but if it goes the other way around, it will then go down for us we couldn't move forward. I would rather be more conservative to provide flexibility. Trustee Garcia stated it's a good idea to see if it is even worth it to run a bond. Trustee Strickland added it's going to be a push. Timing is critical. We have to time it. I don't think now is a good time. It's not right. There are others pushing tax increases, there are several organizations doing that, we don't want to be in competition with that. Trustee Garcia added last time we got shut down locally. Jason List stated as we go through it let's look at demographics. You are politically balanced. You have 21,669 registered voters. You could start marketing the process earlier because most people vote by mail. Latino voters tend to vote for school bond measures. You aren't the most liberal district by any means, but not the most conservative either. For all things considered there are more leanings to positive tax measures than not. Registered voter turnout 69 percent in 2020. Your voters do support your district. In March 2020 only 30% of bond measures were passed, it was the worst election in the history of California. June 2022 will be a good indicator of the level of support. November would be better than June for a lot of different districts, but we won't know for sure. You aren't committed to anything yet. This is just information and ideas. The next thing is a survey. The survey, we reached 400 registered voters that make a likeness to the percentage of your voting population. We just have to file that by the first week of August. Once you get to August and approve, you are now on the dance floor. It's just information at that point, no cost. You have until mid-July to approve. Then you would form a campaign committee, from August to

November. Up until election day and you hope for a yes. Trustee Strickland asked when the best time is to pass a bond, presidential election. Jason answered yes. Mid-terms aren't awful, but that is your best bet.

Financial Report b) David Endo, Chief Business Official, presented for information the monthly
7/1/21 – financial reports for the period of 07/01/2021 – 01/31/2022.
1/31/22

Notice of Completion - Richmond c) William Potter, Director of Facilities & Operations, presented for information the notice of completion for Richmond Elementary Modernization Project that was filed on February 10th.

BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATION

Resolution #18-22 a) Trustee Strickland made a motion to adopt Resolution #18-22: Regarding Absent Board Member Compensation. Trustee Garcia seconded; motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

Comprehensive Safety Plan for Schools b) Trustee Garcia made a motion to adoption of the Comprehensive Safety Plan for all of HESD's schools. Trustee Strickland seconded; motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

BMD Inc. c) Trustee Garcia made a motion to award to BDM Inc. for the HVAC upgrade project for the gym and locker room at Woodrow Wilson Junior High School. Trustee Hernandez seconded; motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

AR 3320 d) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Administrative Regulation 3320 – Claims and Actions Against District. Trustee Hernandez seconded; motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes

Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

BP 3452

- e) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Board Policy 3452 – Student Activity Funds. Trustee Hernandez seconded; motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

BP 3600

- f) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the revised Board Policy 3600 – Consultants. Trustee Hernandez seconded; motion carried 4-0:
Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

PERSONNEL

Trustee Garcia made a motion to take Personnel items “a” through “d” together. Trustee Strickland seconded; the motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

Trustee Garcia then made a motion to approve Personnel items “a” through “d”. Trustee Strickland seconded; the motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

***Item “a” –
Employment***

The following items were approved:

Classified Temporary Employees/Substitutes

- Alma Davalos Banks, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 2/10/22
- Leslie Gonzalez-Valdez, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 2/1/22
- Javier Isidoro, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 2/2/22
- Krystina Thompson, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 2/3/22
- Claudia Urrecha, Substitute Yard Supervisor, effective 1/31/22

Short Term

- April Tamayo-Alatorre, Short-Term Clerk Typist II – 7.0 hrs., Community Day School, effective 2/1/22-3/28/22

- Maribel Gonzalez Salas, Short-Term Yard Supervisor – 3.25 hrs., Simas, effective 2/15/22-4/29/22
- Elizabeth Steen Short-Term Yard Supervisor – 2.5 hrs., Washington, effective 2/15/22-4/29/22
- Lori Urrutia, Short-Term Yard Supervisor – 2.25 hrs., Richmond, effective 2/15/22-4/29/22

***Item "b" –
Resignations***

- Kevin Alexander, Athletic Coach, effective 2/2/22
- Tamara Alvidrez, Account Clerk I – 3.0 hrs., Washington, effective 1/27/22
- Carmen Aurora Pimentel, Educational Tutor – 4.5 hrs., Hamilton, effective 2/11/22

***Item "c" –
Retirement***

- Doug Carlton, Director, Program Development, Assessment & Accountability, effective 6/30/2022
- Dr. Carol J. Gallegos, Curriculum Specialist, Curriculum & Instruction, effective 9/1/22

***Item "c" –
Unpaid Leave***

- Jaqueline Huerta, Teacher, King, Unpaid Leave, effective 3/31/22, 4/5/22-4/8/22

FINANCIAL

Audit Report

David Endo, Chief Business Official, presented William Okutsu. William reviewed the comprehensive audit regarding the LCAP, facilities, attendance, and credentials. William Okutso presented a PowerPoint presentation. He reviewed the steps of audit. He stated the opinions noted no findings. Following opinion is management discussion and analysis, cliff notes, provides comparison from previous year to current year. Financial statements: entity wide statements, fixed assets and long-term obligations. After this they have the fund financial statements. General funds and building funds. After financials, they have supplementary schedule. The main is the net position, the district ended with negative due to pension obligations. They did audit the bond measure U, it's a draft, all testing is complete, they should issue soon, it presents fairly in all material respects. During compliance testing they sampled expenditures, they were all in compliance.

- a) Trustee Strickland made a motion to accept the Audit Report. Trustee Garcia seconded; motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes
 - Garner – Absent
 - Hernandez – Yes
 - Revious – Yes
 - Strickland – Yes

**Measure U
Financial and
Performance
Report**

- b) Trustee Strickland made a motion to accept the Building Fund (Measure U) Financial and Performance Audit Report that had no findings. Trustee Garcia seconded; motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes

Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

**Kings County
Treasurer's
Quarterly
Report**

- c) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the Kings County Treasurer's Quarterly Compliance Report with an interest rate of 0.6992%. Trustee Hernandez seconded; motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

**2nd Interim
Report**

David Endo, Chief Business Official, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the 2nd Interim Report. David stated the report is through the end of January. We are protected this year, but we will need to recover. The gap will be painful. Enrollment is down 382 students. We have an enrollment trend that we do in house, it will be roughly another drop of 100 students. The State had a ton more money than they thought. We are trying to figure out the rules on how to spend such funds. We will have to spend money on school supplies, instructional materials. All in all, it increased. Our difference is about \$5 million. 2022-2023 estimated at 95%, \$64 million, prior year ADA, \$4 million dollar difference. Governor has proposed a third-year level, three-year ADA average. The third will make us flat. David then reviewed the Multi Year Projection Assumptions. There will be a loss of one-time dollars with covid and learning opportunity program. 2021-22 we have a lot of money, but most of it is restricted, we have to be careful. Right now, we can't spend it because we are having problems hiring people. 21% reserve, but some funds are committed so it lowers the percentage. We need to set those aside, but it prevents us from limiting our reserve level. We can't have more than 10% reserve. We needed to get it under 10% for that purpose. Absenteeism is high. It was way over 10% over a month. We will see a drop in \$8 million dollars should the state not pass the 3-year ADA. TK will kick in next year 2022-23. We will have more students, but also, we will have to hire staff. They will basically just flush each other out.

- d) Trustee Garcia made a motion to approve the 2nd Interim Report. Trustee Strickland seconded; motion carried 4-0:
- Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

Resolution #17-22 e) Trustee Garcia made a motion to adopt Resolution #17-22: Budget Revisions – 2nd Interim Report. Trustee Hernandez seconded; motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes

**Contract for
Financial Audit
Services**

- f) Trustee Strickland made a motion to approve the Contract for Financial Audit Services with Eide Bailly for three years. Trustee Garcia seconded; motion carried 4-0:

Garcia – Yes
Garner – Absent
Hernandez – Yes
Revious – Yes
Strickland – Yes


Adjournment


There being no further business, Vice-President Revious adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy C. Gabler,
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Approved:


Jeff Garner, President


Lupe Hernandez, Clerk