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REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

February 23, 2021

Closed Session: 5:30 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

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- Ventura Adult and Continuing Education (Main Entrance) 5200 Valentine Road, Ventura, CA



AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Tuesday, February 23, 2021
Ventura Adult and Continuing Education
Ron Halt Classroom Via Teleconference

Public Access

Public Streaming of the Board Meeting at <http://bit.ly/TDCStudios>

1. OPENING PROCEDURE - Ron Halt Classroom - 5:30 p.m.

2. Call to Order

3. Adoption of Agenda

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

4. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

5. Motion to go to Closed Session

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

6. CLOSED SESSION - Ron Halt Classroom

6.a Conference with Labor Negotiators, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

a. District Negotiators:

Employee Organizations:

Dr. Jeff Davis

Rebecca Chandler

Ventura Unified Education Association (VUEA)

Ventura Education Support Professionals
Association (VESPA)

6.b Pupil Matters, Pursuant to Education Codes 35146, 48918

Administrative Recommendation for Student Re-Admission from Expulsion #20/21

- 6.c Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Pursuant to Government Code 54957(b)
Titles:
- Principals
 - Assistant Principals
 - Assistant Superintendent

7. **REGULAR SESSION - Ron Halt Classroom - 7:00 p.m.**

8. **Pledge of Allegiance**

- Moment of Silence

9. **Roll Call: Velma Lomax, President ____, Matt Almaraz, Vice-President ____, Sabrena Rodriguez ____, Amy Callahan ____, Dr. Jerry Dannenberg ____, Dr. Roger Rice ____, Violet Delgado (BHS) ____, Logan Bobis (VHS-Sub) ____, Christine Davis (Adult Education) ____**

10. **Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session**

11. **Superintendent's Report**

- Good News
- Student Board Members:
 - Violet Delgado - Buena
 - Logan Bobis - Ventura
 - Christine Davis - VACE

12. **Correspondence**

13. **Public Comments**

14. **CONFERENCE - BUSINESS SERVICES**

14.a [Discussion Regarding Properties Recommended for Surplus](#)

The District has brought our property advisory Jerry Suich, the president of Oxbridge to present on the five properties, which have been identified by the 7-11 Advisory Committee. Staff seeks direction from the Board on their priorities for the five properties presented in the 7-11 report.

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Mr. Anthony Ramos, General Counsel; Mr. Jerry Suich, President of Oxbridge

14.b [Preliminary 2020-2021 Second Interim Financial Report Presentation](#)

Staff will provide the Board with an overview of the preliminary Second Interim Financial Report. The finalized Second Interim Financial Report will be submitted for the Board's consideration at the March 9, 2021 board meeting.

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Anna Campbell, Director, Budget and Finance

14.c [Permission to Solicit Bids for Lemon Grove \(Blanche Reynolds\) TK-8 Playground \(Action Requested\)](#)

This project consists of removing primary playground structure and installation of an inclusive playground, including new playground pathways and fall surfacing. Funds will be derived from Buildings Funds. Permission to solicit bids is requested.

Moved:
Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing

15. CONFERENCE - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

15.a [Local Control Accountability Plan \(LCAP\) Elementary Data](#)

Ms. Gina Wolowicz, Director, Elementary Curriculum and Instruction will provide Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Elementary Data.

Ms. Gina Wolowicz, Director, Elementary Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Greg Bayless, Director, Secondary Curriculum and Instruction

16. ACTION ITEMS

16.a [Administrative Recommendation for Student Re-Admission from Expulsion](#)

Approval for Administrative Recommendation regarding Student Re-Admission Student #: 20/21

Moved:
Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

Dr. Greg Bayless, Director, Secondary Curriculum and Instruction; Ms. Gina Wolowicz, Director, Elementary Curriculum and Instruction; Ms. Cynthia Frutos, Director, Student Support Services

16.b [East End K-8 Location](#)

Staff is requesting action from the Board to identify the location for the new VUSD K-8 school. ATLAS and Montalvo both presented to the Board during the last meeting and on February 12, 2020. The goal is to give staff enough time to complete construction on the K-8 site in order to open by 2022-23.

Moved:
Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

CONSENT CALENDAR

It is recommended that the department item numbers **17 to 20** below be approved as presented. All items listed under consent are considered to be routine and may be enacted by approval of a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may be removed from the consent agenda upon request of any member of the Board and acted upon separately.

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

17. CONSENT- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

17.a [Administrative Recommendation to Waive Board Policy 6146.1 \(High School Graduation Requirements\)](#)

It is recommended the Governing Board waive Board Policy 6146.1 (High School Graduation Requirements) and approve the issuance of a High School Diploma for student #'s 501812990, 501810498, 501816931, 501813747 and 501811336. We are requesting that student's outstanding credits needed to meet Ventura Unified School Districts Applied Arts graduation requirement be waived. This waiver would not reduce the overall number of credits required for graduation.

Dr. Greg Bayless, Director, Secondary Curriculum and Instruction

18. CONSENT - HUMAN RESOURCES - Certificated

18.a [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Employment and Reemployment of Certificated Personnel for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the administration's approval to employ the individuals on the attached list for certificated positions as indicated. All will have temporary status unless otherwise noted.

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

18.b [Ratification of Administration's Approval for Leave of Absence for Certificated Personnel for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

Ratification of administration's approval for leave of absence for certificated personnel listed below:

Last Name	First Name	Position	Site	Lv FTE	Lv Begin	Lv End	Reason
Foster	Aimee	Teacher	Buena	1.00	04/12/21	06/11/21	Parental
Nevison	Brittney	Teacher	Ventura	1.00	04/12/21	06/11/21	Parental
Rodriguez	Eliana	Teacher	Balboa	.67	02/05/21	03/05/21	Parental
Powers	Kacey	Teacher	Mound	1.00	05/07/21	06/10/21	Parental
Aguilar	Bernice	Teacher	Montalvo	1.00	03/22/21	04/01/21	Parental
Ramos	Teresa	Teacher	Will Rogers	1.00	03/15/21	06/10/21	Parental

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

18.c [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Employment and Reemployment of Substitute Teachers for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the administration's approval of employment of substitute teachers listed below.

Name	Credential Or Program
Palomino, Shirley	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Kasamis, Rosalind	Multiple Subject Credential
Mandle, Alyson	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Brown, Ming-Hui	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Mehrzad, Reyhan	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Hernandez, Michael	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Ramirez, Ailyn	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Ezell, Ashley	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Hartwell, Karen	Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling
Campbell, Kelsey	Multiple Subject Credential
DIncognito, Andrea	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Mohr, Tina	Single Subject: Social Science
Eakin, Katherine	Single Subject: Biological Sciences, Chemistry
Andrews, Casey	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Davenport, Richard	Specialist Instruction Credential: Communication Handicapped, Standard Secondary Teaching Credential: French and Music
Eckerson, Kelsey	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

18.d [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Miscellaneous & Part-Time Certificated Assignments for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

Ratification of administration's approval of miscellaneous and part-time certificated assignments on the attached list.

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

- 18.e [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Assignments Through Various Education Codes](#)
 Current statutes and regulations recognize that there may be situations of a temporary nature in which a teacher with the appropriate credential is not available to the School District or the assignment is part-time and not conducive for recruitment. Senate Bill 435 has made it possible to assign staff with their permission to these areas in several ways:
- Education Code 44258.2 authorizes holders of secondary-type credential to be assigned to teach classes in middle school, grade 5-8; Requires 12 semester units or 6 upper division units and teacher's consent.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the individuals listed below as per the California Education Code noted.

Last Name	First Name	Site	Credential(s)	Board Approval Subject	Ed Code	Units
Chiriboga	Laura	DATA	SS: English	Social Science	44258.2	12+

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

- 18.f [Ventura County Office of Education Williams Activity Report for the 2nd Quarter Fiscal Year 2020-2021](#)

Education Code 1240(2)(H) requires the county superintendent, or his or her designee, report the results of visits and reviews conducted that quarter to the governing board of the school district at a regularly scheduled meeting. The results of the visits and reviews shall include the determinations of the county superintendent, or his or her designee, for each school regarding the status of all of the circumstances listed below:

- Sufficient Textbooks and Instructional Materials
- Assess the Condition of School Facilities
- Annual Review of Teacher assignments and Vacancies
- Annual review of prior fiscal year audit reports to identify any audit findings relating to Williams issues and determine how those findings will be corrected
- Annual review of School Accountability Report Cards

The attached report reflects the Ventura County Office of Educations Related Visits and activities concluded during the second quarter of fiscal year 2020-2021.

During the 2nd quarter of the 2021-2022 SY, the Ventura County Office of Educations conducted no visits or concluded any reviews of the activities listed above.

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

19. CONSENT - BUSINESS SERVICES

- 19.a [County of Ventura Shelter Agreement 2020-23](#)

The District entered into a shelter agreement with the County of Ventura in order to identify the use of school facilities for disaster-related shelter. The agreement is in effect December 4, 2020 to June 30, 2023. Board ratification of the attached agreement is requested.

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Mr. Eric Reynolds, Director, Risk Management

- 19.b [Permission to Solicit Bids for Lemon Grove \(Blanche Reynolds\) TK-8 Project](#)
 This project consists of general classroom modifications and replacing finishes to convert from elementary to middle school. The project will also include converting two classrooms to a multi-purpose lab. Funds will be derived from Building Funds. Permission to solicit bids is requested.
Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing
- 19.c [Permission to Solicit Bids for Pacific High School Farm Project](#)
 The project consists of constructing a classroom/lab space, restroom facilities, outdoor classroom, greenhouse, and barn to support the farm program at Pacific High School. Funds will be derived from Building Funds. Permission to solicit bids is requested.
Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing
- 19.d [Permission to Solicit Bids for Pacific High School Parking Lot Asphalt](#)
 The project consists of the rehabilitation of flailing asphalt in the parking lot off Dean Drive at Pacific High School. Funds will be derived from Routine Restricted Maintenance. Permission to solicit bids is requested.
Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing
- 19.e [Permission to Solicit Bids for Buena High School and Ventura High School Pool Deck Repairs](#)
 The project consists of installation of new pool deck coating to meet County Environmental Health requirements. Funds will be derived from Routine Restricted Maintenance. Permission to solicit bids is requested.
Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing
- 19.f [Ventura County Office of Education \(VCOE\) Various Agreements](#)
 The District annually enters into agreements with VCOE for various services. Board ratification is requested of the agreements listed below. Copies of these agreements are attached.

Agreement Services	VCOE Department	Term
Inclusive Early Ed/Expansion Pgm. #C1-00229	Early Childhood Programs	July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021
Migrant Ed Region 17	Special Populations	July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021
Multi-Tiered System of Support for Social-Emotional Learning	Internal Business Services	July 1, 2019 - June 2022
MHSOAC Wellness Center #C21-00223	Internal Business Services	December 30, 2020 - December 30, 2024

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

19.g [Gifts to School District](#)

Listed below are donations made to Ventura Unified School District.

DONOR	GIFT	LOCATION	VALUE
Anonymous	Cash	VUSD - PEAK	\$100,000.00
Anonymous	Cash	VUSD	\$50,000.00
Cornerstone Photography	Cash	Cabrillo	\$558.57
Cornerstone Photography	Cash	Junipero Serra	\$372.69
Frontstream	Cash - December 2020	Cabrillo	\$668.25
Frontstream	Cash - January 2021	Cabrillo	601.90
Frontstream	Cash - January 2021	Cabrillo	\$616.55
Mound PTO	cash	Mound	\$2,000.00
Ventura Family YMCA	Swim Lesson Certificates	VUSD Homeless & Foster Youth Program	.00

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

19.h [Ratification of Purchase Orders \(January 27, 2021 to February 11, 2021\)](#)

Approval of the following purchase orders and change orders is requested. A list is available for review, as attachment.

154 Purchase Orders	=	\$1,836,120.80
PO Changes	=	125,590.02
GRAND TOTAL	=	\$1,961,710.82

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing

20. CONSENT - SUPERINTENDENT

20.a [Consideration of Board Meeting Minutes](#)

- Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes for January 5, 2021
- Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes for January 28, 2021
- Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2021
- Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes for January 26, 2021

21. BOARD REPORTS

22. COMING EVENTS

23. FUTURE BOARD ITEMS

- Board Policies Update
- Mental Health & Counseling Services
- Distance Learning Protocols
- Human Resources Update

24. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS - (No official action will be taken)

25. CLOSED SESSION

26. ADJOURNMENT

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____