



**VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
July 11, 2023
ADOPTED MINUTES**

Call to Order

The Special Board of Education meeting was held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at the ESC Board Room, where one or more members participated. The public had the opportunity to submit their public comment in person. Those in attendance were:

Board President	Ms. Sabrena Rodriguez
Board Vice President	Dr. Jerry Dannenberg
Board Member	Mr. Calvin Peterson
Board Member	Mr. James Forsythe
Superintendent	Dr. Antonio Castro
Asst. Supt. /Bus. Services	Mr. Ahsan Mirza
Asst. Supt. /Ed. Services	Dr. Greg Bayless
Asst. Supt./Human Resources	Ms. Gina Wolowicz

At 4:00 p.m., Board President Sabrena Rodriguez called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Calvin Peterson, seconded by Mr. James Forsythe and passed on a roll call vote of 4 – 0 to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Ms. Sabrena Rodriguez, Dr. Jerry Dannenberg, Mr. Calvin Peterson, Mr. James Forsythe
Noes: None. Absent: Ms. Amy Callahan. Abstain: None.

REGULAR SESSION - Board Room

Public Comments

The following individuals gave a public comment:

1. Helen Eloyan, representing the Westside Community Corporation, asked the Board to please keep the specific needs of the community in mind during the RFQ/RFP process.
2. Davina Decant shared she would like to develop a trade school at the Avenue School location and in support of the waiver process.

CONFERENCE - BUSINESS SERVICES

8.a Surplus District Property

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Mr. Ahsan Mirza, reviewed actions previously taken by the VUSD Board regarding surplus properties. Mr. Mirza noted that in August 2021, the Board adopted Resolution #21-20, accepting the 7.11 Advisory Committee Report, declaring the Education Service Center (ESC) and Avenue School Properties as surplus, and authorizing and directing the Superintendent to proceed with Disposition of Surplus property per Education Code process. He also noted that in January of this year, the Board gave consensus to agendize the Waiver at a future meeting.

Mr. Stephen McLoughlin, a partner at Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud, and Romo (aalrr), discussed differences between the Waiver process and the traditional competitive bid sale process. Mr. McLoughlin noted that the Waiver process requires the District to consult with their

collective bargaining units about the Waiver, to notify and seek input from the previous 7.11 Advisory Committee, to give Notice of a Public Hearing, and to hold a Public Hearing. The Board would then need to pass a Resolution to authorize the District to seek a Waiver of the Surplus Property Procedure, give notice to the local planning agency in writing, and prepare the Waiver application for review and approval by the California Board of Education. Mr. McLoughlin noted that a Waiver must be submitted for each property and that multiple Waivers can be submitted simultaneously.

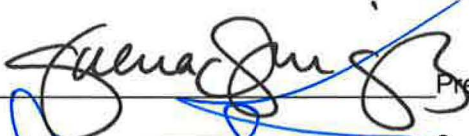
There was Board consensus to move forward with the Waiver process for the ESC and Avenue School Surplus Properties.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Dr. Jerry Dannenberg, seconded by Mr. James Forsythe and passed on a roll call vote of 4 – 0 to approve to adjourn the special board meeting at 4:45 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting to be held on July 11 at 5:30 p.m.

Ayes: Ms. Sabrena Rodriguez, Dr. Jerry Dannenberg, Mr. Calvin Peterson, Mr. James Forsythe
Noes: None. Absent: Ms. Amy Callahan. Abstain: None.

APPROVED



President


Secretary