



January 18, 2024

Board of Education Special Meeting Agenda

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dr. Jerry Dannenberg – President
Mr. Calvin Peterson – Vice President
Mr. James Forsythe
Mrs. Alicia LaVere
Mrs. Sabrena Rodriguez

SUPERINTENDENT & CLERK OF THE BOARD

Dr. Antonio Castro

For the future of every student

WELCOME TO THE
VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The Board of Education holds their meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise noticed.

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AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Thursday, January 18, 2024
Ventura Unified School District
ESC - Board Room
255 W. Stanley Ave. Suite 100
Ventura, CA 93001

1. **OPENING PROCEDURE - Board Room - 1:00 p.m.**
2. **Call to Order**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Roll Call:**
Dr. Jerry Dannenberg, President____, Calvin Peterson, Vice-President____, James Forsythe____,
Alicia LaVere____, Sabrena Rodriguez____, Dr. Antonio Castro, Superintendent____
5. **Adoption of Agenda**

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Rodriguez____, LaVere____, Forsythe____, Peterson____, Dannenberg____
6. **REGULAR SESSION - Board Room**

7. **Public Comments**

Public comments are welcome and encouraged by the Board within reasonable meeting time considerations in order to conduct the District's business. Public comments may only be given on agenda items for special board meetings. Persons wishing to address the Board should complete a "speaker form" and turn it into the recording secretary. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes on any agenda item with a cumulative total of five minutes for all agenda items. The Board may limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. Also, speakers will not be allowed to give their time to other speakers. Public Comments on **agenda items** will be heard after the relevant agenda item is presented by staff and discussed by the board; please indicate the agenda item on your speaker card. Please note, the Board is prohibited from taking action on any item that is not part of the printed and published agenda.

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8. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Staff presentation
2. Board questions
3. Public comment
4. Board deliberation
5. Board action

8.a **Consideration of Purchase of Busses**

Staff is seeking approval to purchase eight special education wheelchair buses from the Sonoma County JPA totaling \$596,000. All buses are still under factory warranty. Acquiring these buses will contribute to a reduction in contracted transportation costs.

BUS #	YEAR	MAKE	VIN#	LICENCE	FUEL	MIL.	PRICE
401	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB75MN005691	1632537	Gas	17,424	\$73,000
402	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB74MN005701	1632590	Gas	4,499	\$76,000
404	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB77MN006065	1632546	Gas	3,714	\$76,000
405	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB75MN006078	1632592	Gas	22,874	\$73,000
406	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB75MN005917	1637575	Gas	9,467	\$76,000
407	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB71MN006031	1632536	Gas	16,171	\$73,000
408	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB78MN006043	1632577	Gas	18,729	\$73,000
409	2023	Thomas Minotaur	1HA6GUB71MN006059	1632591	Gas	3,972	\$76,000

Board approval of the above list is requested.

Moved:
Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Rodriguez ____, LaVere ____, Forsythe ____, Peterson ____, Dannenberg ____,

Mr. Ahsan Mirza, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services; Mr. Arie Wiberg, Director, Transportation

8.b **Consideration of Purchases of Busses**

Staff is seeking approval to purchase five special education wheelchair buses from BUSWEST, totaling \$578,425.55. Acquiring these buses will contribute to a reduction in contracted transportation costs. Board approval of the attached invoice is requested.

Moved:
Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE

Rodriguez ____, LaVere ____, Forsythe ____, Peterson ____, Dannenberg ____,

Mr. Ahsan Mirza, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Mr. Arie Wiberg, Director, Transportation.

9. CONFERENCE ITEMS

1. Staff presentation
2. Board questions
3. Public comment
4. Board deliberation

10. CONFERENCE - BUSINESS SERVICES

10.a [Bond Implementation Plan](#)

Staff will report updates, progress, and seek Board feedback on the Bond Implementation Plan.
Mr. Ahsan Mirza, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Mr. Adam Dutter, Bond Program Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Staff presentation**
- 2. Board questions**
- 3. Public comment**
- 4. Board deliberation**
- 5. Board action**

It is recommended that the department item numbers **11 to 12** 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:

Rodriguez ____, LaVere ____, Forsythe ____, Peterson ____, Dannenberg ____,

11. CONSENT - HUMAN SERVICES - Certificated

11.a [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Resignations, Retirements and Release for Certificated Personnel for the 2023-24 School Year](#)

Ratification of administration's approval of resignations, retirements and release for certificated personnel on the attached list.

Ms. Gina Wolowicz, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

12. CONSENT - HUMAN RESOURCES - Classified

12.a [Ratification of the Classified PARS Participants' Resignations](#)

Ratification of the Classified PARS Participants' resignations on the attached list.

Ms. Andrea Crouch, Director of Classified Human Resources

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Rodriguez ____, LaVere ____, Forsythe ____, Peterson ____, Dannenberg ____,