

San Pasqual Union School District

The Little School in the Valley

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BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at San Pasqual Union School

- Meeting called to order at 4:32 p.m. to allow public comment on closed session agenda items. Board Members Merz, Goe, Gourley and Baker were present. Member Murray was not in attendance. Superintendent Burroughs and recording secretary Jenny Grassy were also present. No one addressed the Board. Adjournment at 4:33 p.m. for closed session.

Regular Session

- Meeting reconvened at 6:03 p.m..
- Public was welcomed. The flag salute was recited.
- Report from closed session: No action was taken in closed session.
- Hearing of the Public: SPETA leadership team (Tim Harmon, Heather Johnson and Jolene Mallory) addressed the board. Mr. Harmon thanked the Board for their service and expressed his valuing their input and dedication. He informed the Board that the motivation behind negotiations is to recruit and retain quality teachers. Mrs. Mallory provided the Board members with copies of slides that with analysis of teacher salary and benefits. Mrs. Johnson provided information on the Bridge to Medicare.
- Member Merz motioned to approve the current agenda and minutes from the 04/18/2023 regular meeting. Member Gourley seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0
- Students from Mrs. Cutchin and Mrs. Priest's classes presented on their BizTown experience, describing their jobs and highlights from the field trip (see website for presentation)
- Mr. Burroughs recognized SPU's student winners from the "Music K-8" cover contest. SPU had 18 winners, including Top Finalists Dahlia, Camila, and Cara. We also had Megan win as 7th Runner-Up, and it's the first time SPU has had a paid artist! Congrats to our winners (see website for presentation).
- PTO Report:
 - Teacher Appreciation Week, Teachers are "Plane Awesome" theme.
 - Cinco de Mayo and new shirt a huge hit!
 - PTO recruitment event 5/7 resulted in more volunteers.
 - Currently in search of more Board Members
- Foundation Report
 - End of year retreat planned May 19 to 21
 - Planning fall golf tournament and Spring Soiree
- District sunshine Contract openers for the 2023-24. Negotiations underway.

- Superintendent's Report:
 - Non-Fiction Project
 - Purchased 2000 new books
 - Over 900 have been discarded
 - Lots of volunteers to make this possible
 - Review committee in the works to be created to vet new incoming books and establish a review process for selecting and vetting challenged books
 - History Adoption
 - Mr. Harmon piloting McGraw Hill Impact
 - Impressed with the curriculum
 - District has spoken with several superintendents and they are pleased with the material
 - Expect to bring to Board for approval in June, with pilot of K-5 curriculum expected in fall
 - AVID program
 - Spoke last month about possibility of bringing AVID to SPU
 - Plan to incorporate elements of AVID next school year into electives
 - Campus Maintenance
 - Addressed smells on campus by hydroblasting sewer lines
 - Large summer projects planned:
 - Resurfacing of playground
 - Replacement of alarm system
 - End of Year events
 - Amazing Cinco de Mayo celebration
 - CAASPP testing this week and next
 - Teacher Appreciation week currently happening
 - Senior walk 6/1
 - Padres Teacher appreciation Night 6/2
 - Awards 6/6
 - Promotion 6/8 at 6PM. Board invited as our honored guests
 - Summer school planned for 7/5 - 7/27
 - 3 components: ESY, EL and reading support students
 - District MTSS recognition
 - Congrats to our MTSS team! We received positive review from SDCOE
 - Expect to received silver PBIS recognition
 - Congratulations to Trustee Murray for being recognized as one of 6 SD Unified Teachers of the Year. (SD Unified has about 6,000 teachers)

Action/Discussion Items

- Superintendent Burroughs gave an update on the LCAP. (see website for presentation).
- Superintendent Burroughs discussed the scheduling of a Governor Board Planning workshop. Mrs. Grassy will follow up with the Board to schedule.
- Superintendent Burroughs clarified that we could not combine architect with contractor to reduce cost of project. Member Goe made a motion to approve the estimate from EHM architecture. Member Merz seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.

- Member Gourley made a motion to approve Resolution #R22-23-07. Member Goe seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- Member Goe made a motion to approve Resolution #R22-23-08. Member Merz seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- Member Gourley made a motion to approve Resolution #R22-23-09. Member Goe seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- Member Goe made a motion to approve Resolution #R22-23-10. Member Gourley seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- Member Gourley made a motion to approve Resolution #R22-23-11. Member Goe seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- Member Goe made a motion to approve Resolution #R22-23-12. Member Gourley seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- Superintendent Burroughs explained Declaration of Need (DON) filing to address potential temporary credential misalignment. Member Goe made a motion to approve the Declaration of Need. Member Merz seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- Superintendent Burroughs advised that the master contract is to be established to serve a student at a non-public school facility. Member Gourley made a motion to approve the Master Contract and Appendix A between San Pasqual Union and San Diego Center for Children. Member Merz seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.
- First read of Policy manual changes. No discussion or action taken.

Consent Agenda

Member Merz motioned to approve the consent agenda. Member Gourley seconded the motion. Member Motion passed 4/0.

Comments by Trustees:

- Member Goe is so thankful her children have gone to SPU and continue to. There are so many amazing things happening at SPU. Member Goe loved the students' presentation. Very pleased with the upcycled book project. Just another example of how great SPU staff, teachers and admin are.
- Member Gourley was so impressed with the students' Biztown presentation. The students showed confidence and were very well prepared. Member Gourley commented that Cinco de Mayo was amazing. She felt the excitement all around! She thanked the teachers for their transparency and positive attitude.
- Member Merz indicated everyone said exactly what he wanted to say. It was a great job all around and thanked the teachers for their time.
- Member Baker agreed with everything that was said by the fellow Board members. Everything SPU has to offer is amazing. We truly live in a wonderful bubble! She thanked the students for being here today. She gave Mrs. Brown a heartfelt thank you and expressed her gratitude for being such a vital part of SPU for so long.

Regular meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

5/23/2023 at 4:30 p.m., Special Meeting