



OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT
17200 Pinehurst Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92647

**Board of Trustees' Meeting
February 27, 2024; 6:00 p.m.**

MEETING MINUTES

 APPROVED

**Closed Session: 5:15 p.m.
Open Session: 6:00 p.m.**

Voting Members

Jack Souders, President
Patricia Singer, Vice President
Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk
Morgan Westmoreland, Trustee
Norm Westwell, Trustee

Administration

Michael Conroy, Ed.D., Superintendent
Julianne Hoefler, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Keith Farrow, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services

A. Call to Order

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by President Jack Souders at 5:15 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Members present: Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Patricia Singer, Jack Souders

Member absent: Norm Westwell

Morgan Westmoreland arrived at 5:30 p.m.

C. Agenda Adoption- Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting of February 27, 2024

Dr. Conroy advised that the agenda that was posted physically outside the Board Room on Friday, February 23, 2024, is correct; however, the agenda posted online did not contain the information item, *Monitoring Goals, Actions, and Resources for the 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Report*. This was discovered on Monday morning and immediately corrected. After consulting with legal counsel at the Orange County Department of Education, the District was informed that the physical posting of the agenda met the requirements of the Brown Act. It was recommended that the Board take action to include the LCAP agenda item on the agenda.

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, seconded by Patricia Singer, and carried by the following roll call vote to add the following informational item to the Agenda for February 27, 2024: *Monitoring Goals, Actions, and Resources for the 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Report*:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Absent
Norm Westwell - Absent

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin requested that Agenda Item M-7 (Classified Employee Personnel Activity List - January 24, 2024, through February 13, 2024) be removed from the Consent Calendar for individual consideration.

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, seconded by Patricia Singer, and carried by the following roll call vote to approve the Agenda, moving Agenda Item M-7 to before O. New Business for individual consideration:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Absent
Norm Westwell - Absent

D. Closed Session

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin read aloud the items listed under Closed Session. As there was no one present wishing to speak on these matters, the Board of Trustees moved to Closed Session at 5:20 p.m.

1. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment: Director, Teaching and Learning
2. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
3. Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators - Agency designated representative: Michael Conroy, Ed.D., Superintendent; Employee Organizations: CSEA and OVTA
4. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Superintendent

E. Reconvene in Open Session/Report of Closed Session Action

The Board of Trustees returned to Open Session at 6:00 p.m. The following Closed Session actions were taken:

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, seconded by Patricia Singer, and carried by the following roll call vote to approve the appointment of Dr. Rasheedah Gates as Director, Teaching and Learning, effective July 1, 2024:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Absent
Norm Westwell - Absent

Dr. Gates thanked the Board of Trustees for the opportunity to serve as the Director of Teaching and Learning, and is looking forward to collaborating with staff toward the goal of advancing student achievement in her new position.

Motion by Jack Souders, seconded by Morgan Westmoreland, and carried by the following roll call vote to adopt Resolution No. 17:2324, to release and non-reelect nine (9) temporary certificated employees pursuant to Education Code Section 44954, effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, and direct the Superintendent or designee to send out appropriate legal notices to the following employee numbers: 3800006769; 3800006895; 3800006915; 3800007193; 3800007207; 3800000458; 3800007058; 3800007302; 3800007318:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - No
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

F. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Souders.

G. Introductions: None.

H. Minutes

1. Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting Minutes, February 13, 2024

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

I. Time Certain

1. 6:10 p.m. College View Elementary School: Bulletin Board Presentation

College View School Principal Allen Mendrin, joined by Kindergarten teachers Mrs. Banuelos and Mrs. Schulten, highlighted "A Day in the Life of a Kinder Cat," as they referenced material on the bulletin board at the back of the Board Room. They showcased programs and strategies used in the classrooms, including daily hands-on activities, linker cubes, i-Ready program

support, and the Science of Reading program (phonics and phonemic awareness/decoding and encoding words). Social skills are learned through playing, eating lunch, and enjoying the Kindergarten bike program.

2. 6:20 p.m. Mesa View Middle School: Student Presentation

Mesa View Middle School Principal Jady Grunbaum highlighted the site's Gardening elective, as she explained how Mesa View's garden was physically moved to the Interim Site this year while the Mesa View campus is undergoing modernization. Students Jayson Botros, Andrew Markos, and Kaison Kennedy spoke about their positive experiences in the class, including growing vegetables and maintaining the gardening area. Special thanks was given to teacher Frank Spates and community volunteers Sheri Shipley and Linda Morrison for their support in cultivating this thriving garden. The students shared vegetables and herbs, which they had grown in the garden with the Board and Executive Cabinet members.

J. Public Comment

Christina Vasquez, parent, read a letter from parent Jenny Wildvank, highlighting the progress her child has made in the Special Education Program at Village View. Ms. Wildvank expressed concerns related to the moving of the Program to Harbour View, and the potential adverse effects on her daughter and other students.

Keeley Pratt, parent, commented on three critical issues: the relocation of the Students with Significant Disabilities (SSD) and Special Day Class (SDC) programs from Village View; the proposed termination of teachers; and the financial burden put on parents due to a District policy that requires a nurse on overnight field trips; noted the lack of transparency and communication involving these matters.

K. Communications

1. Written Communications to the Board

President Souders advised that the following correspondence had been submitted online:

1. Comment from Reagan Headrick, WOCCSE, dated February 23, 2024, regarding Students with Significant Disabilities Program;
2. Comment from Theresa Wilcox, dated February 27, 2024, regarding Plans for Lark View Property;
3. Comment from Jenny Wildvank, dated February 27, 2024, regarding Village View Special Education Program;
4. Comment from Roshel Graham, dated February 27, 2024, regarding Dual Language Immersion Program;
5. Comment from Jeannette Nash, dated February 27, 2024, regarding Village View Special Education Program.

Copies of the above correspondence have been provided to the Board members and are available for public review at the District Office.

2. Board/Committee Reports: None.

3. Personnel Commissioner Report (Three Minutes)

Bob Ewing, Chair, Personnel Commission, provided updates regarding surveys sent to Classified staff about summer job opportunities; employment offers have been accepted by two individuals who will support the Information Technology (IT) Department; commented on his recent meeting with Dr. Hoefer who will be overseeing Human Resources as the Deputy Superintendent, and is looking forward to working with her in the future.

4. Trustees' Communications (Three Minutes per Board Member)

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin expressed appreciation to the Principal and staff at College View, as well as the Principal, staff, and students at Mesa View for their informative presentations; mentioned that there is no Board Policy regarding the requirement of a nurse on overnight field trips, and stated that the District should fund the nursing cost if it is requiring a nurse to accompany students on overnight field trips; recommended the Board consider allocating a certain amount of money per pupil to be used for science camp field trips, as this would address the issue of equity to ensure that all students can participate; apologized to the Village View community for having to pay for the nurse to travel on their recent field trip, stating this policy needs to change.

Vice President Singer thanked College View and Mesa View for sharing information about their schools; noted that President Souders plans to agendaize the topic of overnight field trips, so the Board can receive historical and pertinent information and have discussions on the matter; agreed with Clerk Clayton-Tarvin that the parent organizations should not have to pay for nursing services on overnight field trips if this service is a District requirement.

President Souders thanked College View for providing information about their Kindergarten Program and for their featured bulletin board; appreciated hearing about the Gardening elective at Mesa View that shows the power of students doing hands-on projects they will always remember, such as growing food and maintaining a garden; noted Communications/Public Information Officer Julie St. Cyr is posting on the District's website in real time as she attends this meeting; urged the Board members to vote their conscience on matters brought forward on the agenda, as this is reflective of good governance.

5. Superintendent's Communications

Dr. Conroy highlighted the work of staff who are making connections throughout the District.

Thank you to Cammie Le and Erika Salas from the Child Development Program for providing childcare during the District's Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten (TK) information night. Children were kept involved through engaging, fun activities, while their families learned more about the District's schools and programs.

Congratulations to Food and Nutrition Services Director Jim Riner and his team (Central Kitchen Supervisor Chef Natalie Vargas; Central Kitchen Lead Food Service Worker Jill Earnest; Central Kitchen Cook Lewis Supan), and the Marine View Food Service team of Kathleen Miller, Laura Garrido, and Ofelia Romer, led by Lead Mary Baker. These outstanding employees facilitated the District's inaugural hot breakfast at Marine View, which was prepared from scratch on site. The breakfast was a great success among students and staff!

Curriculum Specialist Lori Manz has been selected as a recipient of this year's Distinguished Service Award winner by the California Association for the Gifted. She was recognized for contributing to the interests of diverse gifted and talented students, not only in Ocean View School District, but also in districts across Orange County. As the instructor for the District's in-house GATE Certificate Program, we are proud to have such expertise and excellence in the District.

Special thanks to the Kindergarten Teachers who presented at the District's recent Kindergarten Information Night: Ana Tilton, Lisa Banuelos, Julianne Perrigo, Christi Donnelly, Wyndi Garcia, Traci Hanoian, Norma Basaez, Rachel Tonon, Erica Manicom, Heather Zapanta, Melissa Peterson, and Eunice Tanga. We appreciate the principals and Educational Services team for providing information on registration, childcare options, and site tours.

The Fiscal Services Department welcomes Justine Lim, the new Department Secretary. Fiscal Director Tim Golden welcomed baby boy Tanner to his family, while Teaching and Learning's Department Secretary Francesca Baldelli welcomed baby boy Lorenzo Francis. Both families are doing well.

6. PTA/PTO/PTSA/PTSO Presidents' Roundtable (Five Minutes)

Jennifer Rank, Roundtable President, provided an update from the February 5, 2024, Roundtable meeting. Items discussed included parent meetings in regard to Spring View consolidation boundary lines; a slide show depicting the progress of the modernization project at Mesa View; and a recap of school fundraisers and preparation for spring events. She thanked the Board for considering the nurse requirement on overnight field trips, as this is a great cost to the parent organizations.

7. Employee Associations' Communications (CSEA, OVTA) (Five Minutes per Association)

Elizabeth Carr, CSEA President, commented on the recent CSEA Officer Installation Event, where Felix Avila provided an impactful keynote address; thanked President Souders for attending the event; mentioned that CSEA is collaborating with District Leadership to prioritize PAL (Partnership with Administration and Labor), including the return of PAL Retreats.

L. Reports: None.

M. Consent Calendar

1. Administrative Services: Gifts to the District

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Absent

2. Administrative Services: Payroll Check Registers from January 11, 2024, through February 10, 2024

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Absent

3. Administrative Services: Purchase Orders for all Funds from February 1, 2024, through February 15, 2024

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Absent

4. Administrative Services: School District Check Registers from January 27, 2024, through February 15, 2024

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

5. Educational Services: Listing of Conferences, Meetings Workshops and Consultants

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

6. Human Resources: Certificated Employee Personnel Activity List - January 24, 2024, through February 13, 2024

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

7. Human Resources: Classified Employee Personnel Activity List - January 24, 2024, through February 13, 2024

This Agenda item was previously pulled by Clerk Clayton-Tarvin for individual consideration.

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Abstain
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

Prior to the foregoing vote, Clerk Clayton-Tarvin advised she will be abstaining on this matter.

N. Old Business: None.

O. New Business

1. Superintendent's Office: 2024 California School Boards Association - CSBA Delegate Assembly Election (Action)

Motion by Patricia Singer, seconded by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, and carried by the following roll call vote to vote for all seven candidates listed on the 2024 Delegate Assembly Ballot Subregion 15 (Orange County): Lauren S. Brooks; Carol Crane; Candice Kern; Deana Miller; Annemarie Randle-Trejo; Barbara Schulman; Jonathan Stone:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

2. Administrative Services: Appointment of Patrick Marsh as a Member to the Citizens' Oversight Committee for the Measure R General Obligation Bond (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
Motion seconded by: Patricia Singer

Voting:
Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

After the vote was taken, Mr. Marsh introduced himself to the Trustees and gave a brief overview of his experience in the financial world.

3. Administrative Services: Lease Extension Agreements Between Ocean View School District of Orange County and Elite Modular Leasing and Sales, Inc. (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer
Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

4. Educational Services: Monitoring Goals, Actions, and Resources for the 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Report (Information)

Received for information.

Assistant Superintendent Hoefler and Elaine Burney, Coordinator of Teaching and Learning, presented the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Update. The presentation centered on the District's goals, actions, and resources, offering insight into mid-year outcome data and expenditures. The California Dashboard results were highlighted to illustrate areas of success within the District and areas requiring further attention for future focus.

5. Educational Services: Agreement for Non-Public School/Non-Public Agency Placement of Special Education Student as Determined by Individualized Education Programs (IEP) (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer
Motion seconded by: Jack Souders

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

6. Educational Services: Contract for Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) for a Student with Special Needs (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer
Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

7. Educational Services: Student Behavioral Health Incentive Amendment to Program Service Agreement between Orange County Department of Education and Ocean View School District of Orange County (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Absent

8. Human Resources: Resolution No. 18:2324 - Reduction or Elimination of Particular Kinds of Services (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Morgan Westmoreland

Motion seconded by: Jack Souders

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - No

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Absent

Prior to the foregoing vote, staff responded to questions from the Board of Trustees.

A motion was made by Patricia Singer and seconded by Gina Clayton-Tarvin to postpone this item and return it to the next Board meeting.

After further discussion, Vice President Singer withdrew her motion to postpone.

9. Human Resources: Resolution No. 21:2324 Preliminary Resolution Layoff of Classified Employees for Lack of Work and/or Lack of Funds (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Patricia Singer

Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - No

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes
Norm Westwell - Absent

P. Any Other Public Comments to the Board of Trustees

Randy Campbell, Village View Delegation, urged the Board not to forget about the students and families in the Special Education Program, and the difficulties they have gone through the past four years; is looking forward to having spirited discussion and transparency involving this matter; thanked Dr. Conroy for agreeing to meet with the Delegation next week.

Q. Future Agenda Items (As Requested by Board Members)

President Souders advised that he will agendize the matter of overnight field trips and medical services.

Vice President Singer:

-Update on the Central Kitchen and the availability of fresh meals at all school sites

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin:

-Funding for science camp field trips in the future

Trustee Westmoreland:

-Information on current costs involved in field trips

-Standing presentation to give update on movement of Special Education classes

-Presentation on the student drop-off/pick-up areas at each site, specifically related to safety

R. Board of Trustees' Roundtable

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin reflected on tonight's meeting, noting her need for additional information regarding staff reductions; stressed her advocacy for all staff and students; mentioned that the Education Code requires equity among students, which needs to be addressed in the overnight field trip/medical services issue; thanked College View and Mesa View for their presentations tonight.

Vice President Singer appreciated the Village View families continuing to engage her via emails; thanked staff for providing detailed updates/timeline on the steps taken regarding the movement of Special Education classes in the District, and asked that these updates continue; stated she may not have asked the right questions in getting information about staff reductions; is looking forward to the staff's presentation on overnight field trips.

Trustee Westmoreland discussed the different levels of care that medical professionals are allowed to provide, and is looking forward to receiving more information from the upcoming overnight field trips presentation; mentioned that staff has shared many informative presentations, including financial scenarios, regarding overstaffing; respectfully disagreed with her colleagues, noting that the Board has had many opportunities to ask questions and receive information.

President Souders urged the Board members to pursue any questions they still have regarding Board items; shared that the Resolution involving the release of teachers will be brought to the Board in May for final approval, so there is time to ask questions; stated that he does not take his actions lightly when it comes to reducing staff; thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

S. Closed Session (if needed)

The Board of Trustees returned to Closed Session at 8:27 p.m. to continue discussion of items previously announced. Any reports of Closed Session action will be made from the Board Conference Room in Building C.

T. Reconvene in Open Session/Report of Closed Session Action

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 9:21 p.m. There were no Closed Session actions to report.

U. Adjournment

Time: 9:22 p.m.

Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:

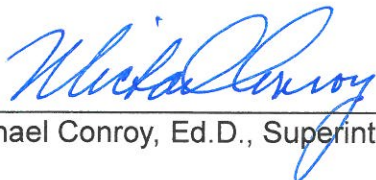
Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

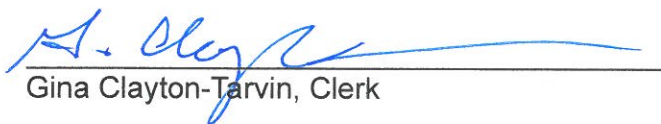
Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Absent



Michael Conroy, Ed.D., Superintendent



Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk

March 12, 2024

Date