



MEETING MINUTES

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

 APPROVED

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 Hoefer, 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, Norm Westwell
Morgan Westmoreland arrived at 5:16 p.m.

C. Agenda Adoption- Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting of January 23, 2024

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin and seconded by Patricia Singer to approve.

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin requested that Agenda Item D.1. (Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators - Agency designated representative: Michael Conroy, Ed.D., Superintendent; Employee Organizations: CSEA and OVTA) be moved for consideration after Agenda Item D.2 (Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release); and pulled Purchase Order Numbers T38R1346, T38R1391; T38R1409, and T38R1410 (included in Agenda Item M.3. - Purchase Orders for all Funds from December 15, 2023, through January 11, 2024) from the Consent Calendar for individual consideration.

Vice President Singer pulled Agenda Item M.7 (Classified Employee Personnel Activity List - December 13, 2023, through January 10, 2024) from the Consent Calendar for individual consideration.

Vote on motion to approve Agenda, moving Agenda item D.1. (Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators - Agency designated representative: Michael Conroy, Ed.D., Superintendent; Employee Organizations: CSEA and OVTA) to after Agenda Item D.2 (Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release) for consideration; moving Purchase Order Numbers T38R1346, T38R1391, T38R1409, T38R1410, and Agenda Item M.7 (Classified Employee Personnel Activity List - December 13, 2023, through January 10, 2024) to before O.1 New Business for individual consideration:

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

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 5:25 p.m.

1. Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators - Agency designated representative: Michael Conroy, Ed.D., Superintendent; Employee Organizations: CSEA and OVTA
2. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
3. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation: One potential case
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 6:03 p.m. There were no Closed Session actions to report.

F. Pledge of Allegiance

President Souders led the Pledge of Allegiance.

G. Introductions: None.

H. Minutes

1. Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting Minutes, January 10, 2024

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 - Abstain

Norm Westwell - Yes

I. Time Certain

1. 6:05 p.m. Circle View Elementary School: Bulletin Board Presentation

Circle View Elementary School Principal Jessica Haag and Teacher Jennifer Fisler gave an overview of the differentiated instruction and GATE academics occurring in the school's GATE Magnet program. Ms. Fisler spoke about the grade-level creative projects, such as genius hour, creating a 14th American colony, invention convention, and studying the stock market. They referenced the bulletin board in the back of the room, which includes displays of some of the work completed by students in the program. Finally, they noted that the curriculum aligns with the California State Standards and the GATE standards and concepts, such as Acceleration, Depth, Complexity, and Novelty.

2. 6:15 p.m. Vista View Middle School: Student Presentation

Vista View Principal Dr. Rasheedah Gates and teachers Sella Lee, Lisa Nelson, and Danielle Staton provided insights into student engagement in their culinary arts and eSports electives. Students shared their favorite aspects of the classes and spoke about their learning experiences. The eSports students proudly displayed the trophy and medals they earned at a recent competition, while the culinary students treated the Board of Trustees and Executive Cabinet with homemade cookies and lemons grown in the Falcons' garden.

J. Public Comment: None.

K. Communications

1. Written Communications to the Board

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

1. Comment from Deborah Miller-Calvert, dated January 19, 2024, regarding middle school boundary change affecting Circle View Elementary School.

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

a. Board Subcommittee on District Advertising: Create

President Souders established the Board Subcommittee on District Advertising. Referencing Board Bylaw 9130, he stated the following parameters of this Subcommittee:

The Subcommittee's purpose is to make recommendations for marketing materials and promotional pieces based on the strategic plan; discuss potential advertising options; and create advertising campaigns for television, print, radio, online media, website, and social media; and provide the Board with recommendations for plans and promotions. The timeline is for one year, from January 2024 through January 2025, with the subcommittee members expected to serve for one calendar year. The Subcommittee will report to the Board during a regularly scheduled Board Meeting any relevant information, and/or agenda item(s) for Board action.

The following Trustees will serve on this Subcommittee: Gina Clayton-Tarvin and Jack Souders.

3. Personnel Commissioner Report (Three Minutes)

Bob Ewing, Chair, Personnel Commission, shared information about recent hirings and promotions, as well as upcoming written and oral exams for various open positions. He noted the Commission will be interviewing candidates this week to select an Interim Director of Classified Personnel.

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

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin thanked the Circle View Principal and staff for sharing important information about the GATE Magnet Program at their site; acknowledged Vista View's Principal, staff, and students who highlighted the eSports and culinary arts electives at their school.

Vice President Singer was pleased to hear more about the eSports and culinary arts programs at Vista View and appreciated the students talking about their experiences; thanked Circle View Principal Jessica Haag and staff for highlighting the great GATE Magnet program at Circle View.

Trustee Westmoreland thanked Circle View and Vista View for sharing their site's programs, noting that these wonderful presentations by the schools are the highlights of the evening.

President Souders commented on the GATE, eSports, and culinary arts offerings in the District, noting these programs set our schools apart from those in other Districts.

5. Superintendent's Communications

Dr. Conroy shared information about staff who are making connections within the District and highlighted some of their work.

Thanks to Melissa Desjardin in Purchasing for providing new chess timers for the Mesa View chess players.

The District appreciates Garrett Sample, who proactively cleaned up and organized the warehouse.

Special thanks to Jose Velazquez in Accounting, for taking the extra step of cross-training with our Fiscal Director, who will be taking a brief leave of absence.

Irene Hennessy, speech and language pathologist, is to be commended for her dedication and tireless efforts in assisting one of our District families, resulting in a positive impact on the family.

Thanks to Spring View teacher Kim Ruiz for supporting Spring View's students and staff through yoga classes, which she leads each week.

Welcome to two new employees at the District Office, Diahann Mehr, who is the new Senior Purchasing Clerk in the Purchasing Department. Diahann previously held the position of School Library Specialist at College View. Joining the Informational Technology Department is Justin Spencer, the District's new Computer Multimedia Technician.

Congratulations to the middle school students from Marine View, Mesa View, and Vista View for presenting the wonderful things happening at their schools to the Spring View students last week. The presenters showcased their schools well and explained why the Spring View students should consider attending any one of the three middle schools.

The District is currently forming a 7-11 Committee to review and analyze certain real estate property owned by the District and to determine whether any properties should be designated as surplus because they will not be needed for school purposes. Any community members who would like to participate and meet the qualifications are invited to apply. The application can be found on the District's webpage.

The Board recently voted to consolidate Spring View Middle School, effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year. Dr. Conroy will share more information about boundary changes for the Spring View attendance area later in the meeting.

6. PTA/PTO/PTSA/PTSO Presidents' Roundtable (Five Minutes): No report.

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

Elizabeth Carr, CSEA President, gave special recognition to the Classified Employees of the year: Julia Canas (Transportation); Mia Galyean (Food & Nutrition Services); Colette Lopez (Clerical & Administrative Services); Allen Ortiz (Custodian & Maintenance Services); Aldo Ruiz Rivero (Health & Student Services); and Evalani Wu (Paraprofessional); acknowledged the many years that Classified Director Michelle Vellanoweth has worked in the District and congratulated her on her upcoming retirement.

Heidi Webb, OVTA President, noted that teachers are balancing academic content and connecting with their students; urged everyone to be mindful of the Spring View families and what they are going through; OVTA appreciates working with the Board and Superintendent to ensure we hire the best Assistant Superintendent for the Human Resources Division; looking forward to reaching a fair agreement with the District.

L. Reports

1. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update

Elaine Burney, Coordinator, Teaching and Learning Department, presented information regarding the 2024-25 - 2026-27 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Development. She reviewed the LCAP basics and new changes, and then focused on seeking consensus on the goals and actions through the educational partnership engagement process. The Board of Trustees provided input on various areas of the Plan.

2. Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) Program Update

Director of Teaching and Learning, Dr. Alice Lee, and Curriculum Specialist, Lori Manz, spoke about the state of the GATE Program in Ocean View School District. They highlighted the GATE Program's mission and philosophy; the history of the program; the current structure (cluster and magnet programs); the certification process for teachers and administrators; and next steps involving professional development opportunities.

M. Consent Calendar

1. Administrative Services: Gifts to the District

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 - Yes

2. Administrative Services: Payroll Check Registers from December 11, 2023, through January 10, 2024

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 - Yes

3. Administrative Services: Purchase Orders for all Funds from December 15, 2023, through January 11, 2024

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, seconded by Patricia Singer, and carried by the following roll call vote to approve, except for the following Purchase Orders, which will be considered individually: T38R1346, T38R1391, T38R1409, and T38R1410:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Yes

Specific Purchase Orders were pulled from this Agenda item by Clerk Clayton-Tarvin for individual consideration.

Purchase Order No. T38R1346: Clerk Clayton-Tarvin advised she will be abstaining from voting on this Purchase Order as she has a conflict of interest in that her home is directly adjacent to the property involved (Mesa View Middle School).

Motion by Morgan Westmoreland, seconded by Patricia Singer and carried by the following roll call vote to approve Purchase Order No. T38R1346:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Abstain

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Yes

Purchase Order No. T38R1391: Clerk Clayton-Tarvin advised she will be abstaining from voting on this Purchase Order as she has a conflict of interest in that her home is directly adjacent to the property involved (Mesa View Middle School).

Motion by Patricia Singer, seconded by Morgan Westmoreland, and carried by the following roll call vote to approve Purchase Order No. T38R1391:

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

Purchase Order No. T38R1409: Clerk Clayton-Tarvin advised she will be abstaining from voting on this Purchase Order as she has a conflict of interest in that her home is directly adjacent to the property involved (Mesa View Middle School).

Motion by Morgan Westmoreland, seconded by Patricia Singer and carried by the following roll call vote to approve Purchase Order No. T38R1409:

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

Purchase Order No. T38R1410: Clerk Clayton-Tarvin advised she will be abstaining from voting on this Purchase Order as she has a conflict of interest in that her home is directly adjacent to the property involved (Mesa View Middle School).

Motion by Patricia Singer, seconded by Morgan Westmoreland, and carried by the following roll call vote to approve Purchase Order No. T38R1410:

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

4. Administrative Services: School District Check Registers from December 15, 2023, through January 10, 2024

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 - Yes

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

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 - Yes

6. Human Resources: Certificated Employee Personnel Activity List - December 13, 2023, through January 10, 2024

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 - Yes

7. Human Resources: Classified Employee Personnel Activity List - December 13, 2023, through January 10, 2024

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin and seconded by Morgan Westmoreland to approve.

This item was previously pulled from the Consent Calendar by Vice President Singer for individual consideration.

Vice President Singer advised she will be abstaining from voting on this Agenda item, as her daughter is listed on the Classified Employee Personnel Activity List.

Vote on motion to approve:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin- Yes

Patricia Singer - Abstain

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Yes

N. Old Business: None.

O. New Business

1. Superintendent's Office: Middle School Boundary Change (Information)

Received for information.

Dr. Conroy delivered a progress report on the middle school boundary timeline, along with presenting various boundary options following the second round of community meetings held on January 11 and 18, 2024.

2. Superintendent's Office: Resolution No. 14:2324 - Remuneration for Board Member Morgan Westmoreland - January 10, 2024, Board of Trustees' Meeting (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Jack Souders

Motion seconded by: Patricia Singer

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Abstain

Norm Westwell - Yes

3. Administrative Services: Governor's Proposed 2024-2025 Budget (Information)

Received for information.

Assistant Superintendent Keith Farrow updated the Board on the Governor's Proposed 2024-25 Budget, which addressed the State's budget gap of \$37.9 billion, in addition to the reduction in the 2024–25 COLA from 3.94% to 0.76%. A continued slow-growth economy is anticipated, emphasizing the need for ongoing evaluation of budget sustainability beyond 2024-25.

4. Administrative Services: Agreement to Piggyback on Apple Direct Customer Agreement Awarded to Downey Unified School District for Apple Computer Products and Services (Action)

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Morgan Westmoreland

Motion seconded by: Norm Westwell

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Yes

5. Educational Services: 2023-2024 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs, Winter Data Collection (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 - Yes

6. Educational Services: Agreement Between Orange County Department of Education and Ocean View School District of Orange County for Restorative Practices Training (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 - Yes

7. Educational Services: Amendment to Independent Contractor Agreement between Ocean View School District of Orange County and Pacific Coast Speech Services for Speech Language Pathology Services (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 - Yes

8. Human Resources: Proposed Ocean View School District Calendar for 2024-2025 (Action)

Robert Espinoza, parent, noted that past tradition has always been to start school after Labor Day in the District, and asked the Board to reconsider the early start date for the 2024-25 school year.

Discussion ensued regarding the practicality and benefits of the proposed date change.

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 - Yes

9. Human Resources: Williams Settlement Legislation Second Quarter Report of Uniform Complaints 2023-2024 (Information)

Received for information.

P. Any Other Public Comments to the Board of Trustees: None.

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

Trustee Westwell

-Discussion on the future plans for the District Office land and buildings

Vice President Singer

-Update on the Central Kitchen and the meals provided for our students

R. Board of Trustees' Roundtable

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin concurred with Vice President Singer about receiving an update on the District's Central Kitchen; plans to attend Kindergarten Information Night at Westmont, Village View's flag ceremony, and the District's Environmental Science Night at Golden View; shared information with the L.A. Times about correcting a City error regarding the establishment of library committees, and the resulting statement from the City Attorney that the error would be corrected.

Vice President Singer thanked everyone in the audience for staying through the meeting.

Trustee Westmoreland appreciated all the presentations delivered tonight.

President Souders thanked the audience for staying; commended staff for their informative presentations tonight.

S. Closed Session (if needed)

The Board of Trustees returned to Closed Session at 9:29 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 10:12 p.m. There were no Closed Session actions to report.

U. Adjournment

Time: 10:13 p.m.

Motion made by: Morgan Westmoreland

Motion seconded by: Patricia Singer

Voting:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes

Patricia Singer - Yes

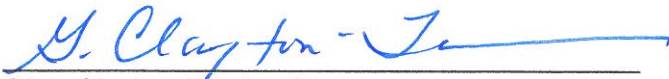
Jack Souders - Yes

Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

Norm Westwell - Yes



Michael Conroy, Ed.D., Superintendent



Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk



Date