



BOARD MINUTES
May 7, 2024 REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER IN PUBLIC SESSION – The CalAPS regular board meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, by Maria G. Lopez. In attendance were President – Maria G. Lopez, Vice President – Erik Linstead, Clerk – Amie Stewart, Member – Brad Carihfield, Alfonso Morales and CalAPS Interim CEO - Arlene Whitney. The meeting was called to order in Ramona Elementary School Cafeteria, 9351 Laurel St. Bellflower, California 90706.

REPLACEMENT PAGES – NONE.

FLAG SALUTE – NONE.

ROLL CALL – Maria G. Lopez, Erik Linstead, Amie Stewart, Brad Carihfield and Alfonso Morales were present along with CalAPS Interim CEO Arlene Whitney.

CalAPS BOARD COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – NONE.

CalAPS STAFF COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – Mrs. Whitney shared with the board that the CalAPS Fashion Design and Merchandising class hosted their first fashion show recently. All of the clothing modeled was designed and put together by the students. Students also modeled their own designs. The event was attended by fellow CalAPS students and staff. We hope that this becomes an annual event where more students, staff and families can attend. Mrs. Whitney thanked both the Bellflower High Baking & Pastry class as well as the Lynwood High Baking & Pastry class for their support in providing dessert for the fashion show and the May board meeting. Arlene added that the CalAPS program received a grant to work with Harbor Freight Tools; they will be sponsoring the Build a Tiny Home summer course. After successful completion of the course, students may be eligible for a student scholarship of up to \$1120. The CalAPS program is already preparing for the fall semester as registration opened on May 1st. We are currently offering 2 new courses, Careers in Education and Introduction to Urban Farming Sciences. Mrs. Whitney announced that the board will be recognizing outstanding students, SkillsUSA – State Participants, as well as the CalAPS CTE pathway completers later this evening.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE.

VISITORS' AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

ACTION ITEMS

STAFF CORRECTIONS – The total amount on the 2024-2025 budget page was incorrect. The correct updated amount for the 2024-2025 budget page was replaced in the binder.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Approval of the minutes from the April 9, 2024 Board Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 5 (Crihfield, Linstead, Lopez, Stewart, Morales)

No: 0

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda – The Board Approves the Consent Agenda

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 5 (Linstead, Crihfield, Lopez, Stewart, Morales)

No: 0

The motion carried

Withheld for Discussion and Action – NONE.

NON-ACTION – NONE.

VISITOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION – CalAPS Interim CEO, Arlene Whitney and Board President Maria Lopez presented students with outstanding awards, SkillsUSA participation awards, and pathway completion awards for the Spring 2024 semester. We recognized the individuals who have demonstrated remarkable growth, determination, and a genuine passion for their subject area. Our teachers have carefully chosen those students who embody the spirit of perseverance, curiosity, and a pursuit of learning. Each recipient has not only excelled academically, but has also exhibited commendable character, leadership, and a positive impact within our CalAPS community. The board congratulated all the students being recognized and thanked our teachers for their commitment to their students and the CalAPS program. Each student was presented with a certificate, a backpack, a water bottle and CalAPS socks. The second group to be recognized are the students who participated in the SkillsUSA State Leadership Competition. All students competed regionally, showcasing their skills, submitting resumes and undergoing knowledge assessments. Qualifying for the State Competition was a testament to their hard work and dedication. Each student received a certificate and a pin recognizing their achievement. Lastly the final group to be recognized were the graduating seniors who completed a CalAPS CTE Pathway. These students qualify when they complete a multi-year sequence of courses that integrates core academic knowledge with the technical and occupational knowledge. Each student will receive a medal to signify their accomplishments. Maria congratulated all of the students and thanked the parents for allowing their students to join the CalAPS program. She reminded them the importance of exposing students to a variety of careers and making the effort to attend these courses after a full day of class.

INFORMATION ITEMS – Mrs. Whitney informed the board of a draft of the 2024-2025 CalAPS Budget and presented a slide show presentation with the information on how the budget was developed. Brad asked about the cost of security at Mayfair. Arlene explained that per a teacher's request, CalAPS was asked to provide campus security and that for the fall semester we would have two additional classes on campus. Board member Brad Crihfield also asked if we were contracted with Hemet and Arlene confirmed that this cost is for our contract with Hemet and HopSkip as well. Brad asked what did the capital outlay cover for the aviation pathway, Arlene confirmed it was for any additional flight simulators or items that would be necessary for the program. Lastly Brad asked about a potential contract with ABC Unified and if the budget reflected adding ABC district. Arlene clarified that a partnership with ABCUSD has not been approved yet, but would be going to their board in the near future. Once until the contract has been approved by the ABC board, we would then include them in the budget. She also informed the board about the student who would be participating in SkillsUSA Nationals. The competition will be held in

Atlanta, Georgia from June 24 - June 28 and returning June 29. Hotel and airfare has already been arranged and the cost will be covered by the CalAPS program.

CLOSED SESSION – NONE.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned without objection at 7:34pm

The May 7, 2024 regular meeting of the CalAPS Board adjourned at 7:34 PM until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 5:30pm.