

## MEETING MINUTES



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### Vallejo City Unified School District Vision and Mission:

- **Our Vision** is to be the schools that are the pride of the community, the envy of the region, and the launch pad of bright and amazing futures and productive and fulfilling lives for all of our Vallejo students.
- **Our Mission** is to meet our students and families where they are and to provide a high-quality, rich educational experience that seeks to elevate each student's potential and connect to each student's passion, providing a strong foundation for a productive and fulfilling future on the pathway of their choice.

### VCUSD 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Pillars


- **PILLAR 1 - Equitable Opportunities, Equitable Outcomes**
- **PILLAR 2 - Safe and Supportive Learning Environments**
- **PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning**
- **PILLAR 4 - Community Centered Education**

Location: "IN-PERSON" MEETING, Governing Board Room  
665 Walnut Avenue, Vallejo, CA

**Time: 4:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION**

**6:00 P.M. PUBLIC SESSION**

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  - ANY PERSON(S) DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MUST COMPLY

WITH BOARD BYLAW 9323.

- o A YELLOW CARD MUST BE COMPLETED AND PRESENTED TO THE RECORDING SECRETARY BEFORE, OR DURING THE PUBLIC MEETING at 6:00 p.m.

## Attendees

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### Voting Members

John Fox, Vice President  
Christy Gardner, Trustee  
Dr. Latyna Young, President  
Glenn Amboy, Trustee  
Carlos Flores, Trustee

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

President Young called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

#### a. Roll Call

#### b. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

None.

### 2. RECESS FOR CLOSED SESSION

President Young recessed the meeting for Closed Session at 4:31 p.m.

### 3. CLOSED SESSION

a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): 1 Case, No. 20247090496 Settlement Agreement - Rachel Chang, Director of Special Education and Heather Topacio, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services.

b. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS: Rollingwood Property APNS 0072-170-050 and 0072-170-060; Agency Negotiator: Ruben Aurelio, Superintendent; Mitchell Romao, Assistant Superintendent, Operations; Sarah Polito, District Counsel; Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment. (Government Code section 54956.8).

### 4. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

President Young reconvened for the Public Session at 6:05 p.m.

### 5. PUBLIC MEETING

#### a. Roll Call

#### b. Pledge of Allegiance

#### c. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

Item 3a: President Young reported the Board met in Closed Session and, on a unanimous vote of 5-0-

0, the Board voted to approve a settlement proposal resolving all claims in a special education dispute; Case No. 2024090496.

Item 3b: The Governing Board received information and direction was given to staff.

Motion made by: John Fox

Motion seconded by: Christy Gardner

Voting:

John Fox - Yes

Christy Gardner - Yes

Dr. Latyna Young - Yes

Glenn Amboy - Yes

Carlos Flores - Yes

#### **d. Adoption of Board Agenda**

Motion made by: John Fox

Motion seconded by: Christy Gardner

Voting:

John Fox - Yes

Christy Gardner - Yes

Dr. Latyna Young - Yes

Glenn Amboy - Yes

Carlos Flores - Yes

### **6. BOARD PRESENTATIONS (GRADES AND PROGRAMS), MEMORIAMS, COMMUNITY ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS**

#### **a. School Site Presentations - Steffan Manor Elementary - PILLAR 3 VIBRANT CULTURE OF TEACHING AND LEARNING**

Heather Topacio, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, introduced Brenda Zander, Principal of Steffan Manor Elementary, who presented information about her school site.

### **7. FORUM**

#### **a. Inter-Agencies**

Ryan Sarna of the Coach Sarna Football League presented information about his organization to the Board.

#### **b. Vallejo Education Association (VEA), California School Employee Association (CSEA), and Vallejo School Managers Association (VSMA) Representatives**

Kevin Steele, President of VEA, presented information and updates to the Board. Giovanni Azpeitia, CSEA representative, reported information and updates to the Board.

#### **c. Reports of District Advisory Committees**

##### **i. Adoption of Resolution No. 5006 Confirming Receipt of Closure and Facilities Advisory Committee Report, Declaration of Certain Properties as Exempt Surplus and Making Related Findings (ROMAO)**

Tony Gross, 711 Committee member, introduced Melissa Tigbao, the City of Vallejo, Director of

Public Works, presented information to the Board from the committee's report. Tony Vargas, a committee member, shared information and introduced Kevin Steele, who read the committee's recommendations to the Board.

**711 Advisory Committee Recommendations:**

1. The Mare Island Health and Fitness Academy students to be consolidated into Federal Terrace Elementary, Lincoln Elementary and surrounding Middle School sites. The Committee believes the District should maintain ownership of the facility to accommodate the potential overflow of students and the anticipation of residential development on the island.
2. The Committee recommends the students attending middle school at Loma Vista Environmental Academy be relocated to Solano-Widenmann Leadership Academy and use the Loma facility as an extended learning program associated with the Loma Vista Farm, professional development and other facilities needs.
3. Any facilities found to be surplussed by the Board, the Committee supports any Board decision to apply for the Waiver of the Surplussed Competitive Bid Requirements in order to seek bids that are advantageous to the District, including, but not limited to price.

18 community members spoke on this item: Beverly Corpuz, Diana Beleche, Joy Enriques, Roxxana Dominguez, Rosa Velasquez, Maria Jenerik, Irene Western, Joanus Youngblood, Charles Krol, Toni Rose Feliciano, Yuritzi Jacobo, Susan Nichols, Sharon Johnson, Yasmin Elizabeth Garcia, Yuriko Alfaro, Ashlie Walters, Zayra Herrera and Sherianne Grimm.

**The motion by Trustee Gardner is to accept the 711 Advisory Committee's Report, but the Board will revisit Declaring Real Property Exempt Surplus at a future meeting.**

Motion made by: Christy Gardner

Motion seconded by: Dr. Latyna Young

Voting:

John Fox - Yes

Christy Gardner - Yes

Dr. Latyna Young - Yes

Glenn Amboy - Yes

Carlos Flores - Yes

**d. Community Members**

Ken Sarna and Michael Sullivan, community members, submitted yellow cards, but left the meeting and did not speak. Eric Smenold, a coach with the Coach Sarna Football League, invited the community to come out to the games and also asked for field use for the league.

**e. Student Reports**

Trustee Ricardo Morales, Vallejo High School, reported information and updates to the Board regarding the National Youth Delegates trip to Tampa, Florida.

**8. CONSENT ITEMS**

Motion to approve Consent Items 8a through 8m.

Motion made by: John Fox

Motion seconded by: Glenn Amboy

Voting:

John Fox - Yes

Christy Gardner - Yes

Dr. Latyna Young - Yes

Glenn Amboy - Yes

Carlos Flores - Yes

**a. Governing Board Meeting Minutes (AURELIO)**

**b. Approval of Out of State Travel (AURELIO)**

**c. Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price ("GMP") for Lease-Leaseback Agreement, Site Lease, and Facilities Lease for the Glen Cove and Patterson Elementary School (Phase -2) Modernizations Projects (Measure S) - PILLAR 2 - Safe and Supportive Learning Environments (ROMAO)**

**d. Request For Travel By Ferry For Vallejo Charter School 4th Grade Fieldwork - PILLAR 1 - Equitable Opportunities, Equitable Outcomes, PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning, PILLAR 4 - Community Centered-Education (TOPACIO)**

**e. Approval Of Out Of State Travel (TOPACIO)**

**f. Approval of Contract between Vallejo City Unified School District and Ryland School Business Consulting (LOZA)**

**g. Disposal of Obsolete Surplus Property (LOZA)**

**h. Warrants Report (LOZA)**

**i. Purchase Orders (LOZA)**

**j. Vallejo City Unified School District Teacher Residency at Alder GSE Agreement - PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning (PATRICK)**

**k. Contract Amendment By and Between Vallejo City Unified School District & Scoot Education, LLC. - PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning (PATRICK)**

**l. Contract Amendment By and Between Vallejo City Unified School District & Swing Education- PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning (PATRICK)**

**m. Personnel Actions No. 1706 - PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning (PATRICK)**

## **9. INFORMATION**

**a. 2024-2025 Fall Staff Morale Survey Results - PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning (PATRICK)**

Dr. Gigi Patrick, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented information and updates to the Board.

## 10. ACTION ITEMS

### a. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Addendum between the Vallejo Education Association (VEA) and Vallejo City Unified School District (VCUSD) - PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning (PATRICK)

Dr. Patrick presented information and asked the Board for approval.

Motion made by: Glenn Amboy

Motion seconded by: Christy Gardner

Voting:

John Fox - Yes

Christy Gardner - Yes

Dr. Latyna Young - Yes

Glenn Amboy - Yes

Carlos Flores - Yes

### b. Memorandum Of Understanding Between The Vallejo City Unified School District And The California School Employees Association, Chapter #199 – Personal Hygiene Stipend - PILLAR 3 - Vibrant Culture of Teaching and Learning (PATRICK)

Dr. Patrick presented information and asked the Board for approval.

Motion made by: Glenn Amboy

Motion seconded by: Carlos Flores

Voting:

John Fox - Yes

Christy Gardner - Yes

Dr. Latyna Young - Yes

Glenn Amboy - Yes

Carlos Flores - Yes

## 11. Reports

### a. Superintendent

Superintendent Aurelio reported information and updates to the Board.

### b. Board Members

The Board reported information, updates, events and meetings attended.

## 12. Community Forum if needed

## 13. Closed Session, if needed

## 14. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings

## 15. Future Board Agenda Items

## 16. Adjournment

President Young adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

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Rubén Aurelio, Secretary to the Board

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Date Signed