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

Ocean View School District

APPROVED

Board of Trustees' Meeting
February 25, 2025; 6:00 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

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

Voting Members
Patricia Singer, President
Jack Souders, Vice President
Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk
Keri Gorsage, Trustee
Morgan Westmoreland, Trustee

Administration
Julianne Hoefer, Ph.D., Superintendent
Keith Farrow, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
Scott Jensen, Ed.D., Interim Assistant Superintendent/Executive Director, Human Resources
Alice Lee, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

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A. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by President Patricia Singer at 5:15 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Members present: Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Keri Gorsage, Patricia Singer, Jack Souders, Morgan Westmoreland

C. Agenda Adoption- Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting of February 25, 2025

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Jack Souders
Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

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 moved to Closed Session at 5:17 p.m.

1. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/ Release

2. Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators - Agency designated representative: Scott Jensen, Ed.D., Interim Assistant Superintendent/Executive Director of Human Resources; Employee Organizations: CSEA and OVTA

3. 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 actions were taken in Closed Session:

Motion by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, seconded by Morgan Westmoreland, and carried by the following roll call vote to adopt Resolution No. 15:2425, to release and non-reelect twenty (20) temporary certificated employees pursuant to Education Code Section 44954, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year, and direct the Superintendent or designee to send out appropriate legal notices:

Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Keri Gorsage - Yes
Patricia Singer - Yes
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

F. Pledge of Allegiance

President Singer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

G. Introductions: None.

H. Minutes

1. Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting Minutes, February 11, 2025

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Jack Souders
Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

Voting:
Unanimously Approved by the Trustees Present (Morgan Westmoreland abstained)

I. Time Certain

1. 6:10 p.m. Circle View Elementary School Presentation

Principal Julie Ernst spoke about how Circle View is dedicated to removing barriers and creating opportunities for student success, both academically and creatively. Joined by teachers Janeen Autry and Eileen Stressling, information was shared about two key initiatives, Empower Hour and the Circle Singers, which exemplify this commitment. Empower Hour provides

targeted, small group instruction to help students close the gap in math problem-solving and comprehension, while the Circle Singers is an inclusive choir fostering music literacy, vocal training, and performance excellence, that builds confidence, creativity, and a strong foundation for future success.

2. **6:20 p.m. Vista View Middle School Presentation**

Principal Manny Quezada highlighted Vista View's innovative Computer Tech class, which integrates technology, art, and communication, providing students with hands-on experience in digital media production. Led by teacher Cindy Tith, students take on roles as journalists, editors, and producers, creating Weekly News videos and announcements. Through video production, scriptwriting, and digital design, students develop communication, collaboration, and time management skills. Students shared their first-hand experiences, discussing both the challenges they face and the pride they take in their work.

3. **6:30 p.m. Public Hearing: The Board of Trustees will conduct a Public Hearing to receive and consider input regarding the composition of trustee area maps to be used in the event the Board approves a transition to by-trustee area elections pursuant to Education Code Sections 5019 and 5020 (Public Hearing)**

President Singer opened the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m.

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin advised that 13 written comments were submitted online through the District's website. The Board has received copies of these comments, and they are available for public review as well.

There being no one present wishing to address the Board on this matter, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:33 p.m.

J. Public Comment

Robert Espinoza, community member representing the Huntington Beach Sailing Foundation, spoke about the successful partnership between the Foundation and the District, where students are provided with scholarships to learn the art of sailing; noted that five scholarships were awarded last year to students, and the Foundation is pleased to provide three more for this year; thanked the Board for their continued support of the program, which teaches teamwork, discipline, and confidence, while fostering academic growth.

K. Communications

1. **Written Communications to the Board:** None.

2. **Board/Committee Reports:** None.

3. **Personnel Commissioner Report (Three Minutes)**

Bob Ewing, Chair, Personnel Commission, provided the latest information regarding permanent employees and substitutes processed through the system; pleased to report that classified vacancies have dropped to 51, with

final interviews scheduled that will decrease that number further; acknowledged the Huntington Beach Sailing Foundation for providing valuable experiences to students.

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

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin thanked the presenters from Circle View and Vista View for sharing about the impressive programs at their sites; expressed appreciation to President Singer for continuing the school site presentations at Board meetings; commented on Circle View's special community and recommended possible cosmetic upgrades to the campus, given the Board's commitment to keeping the school open; asked Dr. Hoefer to schedule visits at Vista View to see the students' video news production in action, as well as at Circle View to see Empower Hour and the Circle Singers.

Trustee Gorsage attended the Environmental Showcase at Golden View, along with Dr. Hoefer; noted that tonight's presentations from Circle View and Vista View highlight the District's innovative work with such programs as Empower Hour and the Circle Singers; pleased to see how well-integrated the computer tech class is at Vista View, and hopes to visit these sites soon.

Vice President Souders thanked Circle View and Vista View for their presentations, which highlighted the power of learning by engaging students in creative and innovative ways; concurred with Trustee Gorsage about how innovation sets the District apart, as he emphasized the student-led news segment, which integrates multiple disciplines.

Trustee Westmoreland thanked Circle View and Vista View for their informative presentations; noted that test scores do not take into account the incredible work happening at the schools as evidenced by these programs; expressed pride in having her children see firsthand the dedication of the staff and teachers who provide students with well-rounded experiences, from academics to extracurricular activities; congratulated Dr. Hoefer on her appointment as Superintendent.

President Singer congratulated Circle View and Vista View on their outstanding presentations that reflect the valuable life skills and experiences our students gain every day; mentioned the importance of collaboration in making key decisions, as she stated she is open to discussing improvements at Circle View if there is Board consensus; discussed the need to re-engage with and improve our special education programs to ensure all students receive the best opportunities to succeed.

5. Superintendent's Communications

Dr. Hoefer gave an overview of the first LCAP Community Forum held on February 13, 2025, where public input was gathered on financial priorities; shared some statistics from the recently completed parent survey which garnered over 1,000 responses; mentioned that the Educational Services Division hosted a Valentines' Drop-in event on February 14, 2025, in which they raised $320 in gift cards for families in need; shared that at the last Leadership Team meeting, Artificial Intelligence (AI) integration was explored with Dr. Sabba Quidwai, focusing on enhancing, rather than replacing, human

decision-making in education; advised that staff will present a report on AI Implementation in the District at next month's Board meeting; welcomed the 20th guide dog puppy, Yoda, into the Guide Dogs of America puppy-raising program at Hope View School, noting that Yoda is the pup of Merlot, the guide dog raised in the Human Resources Division.

6. **PTA/PTO/PTSA/PTSO Presidents' Roundtable (Five Minutes):** None.

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

Clayton Zarate, Second Vice President of CSEA, introduced himself, noting he currently works as a Health Tech at Vista View Middle School; recently joined CSEA President Elizabeth Carr and Communications Officer Brandi Knox at the CSEA Area H Leadership Institute, where networking occurred with other chapters across Orange County, and the District's CSEA Chapter was able to share stories about the success of the recent Classified Professional Development Day.

Jennifer Paulino and Rebecca Broussard, OVTA Co-Presidents, mentioned that Vista View Middle School teachers, Assistant Principal Jared deLachica, and Principal Manny Quezada will be attending the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Summer Institute this June in San Diego; discussed the many facets of the AVID program, including the ability to foster critical thinking, collaboration, and a growth mindset among students; thanked the Board for supporting this initiative through Title I funding to ensure every student thrives and each teacher feels empowered to make a difference.

L. Reports

1. Celebrating Childcare in Ocean View School District

Dr. Alice Lee and Child Development Programs Coordinator Jenna Landero shared how the OVSD Childcare Program supports students' academic, social, and emotional growth through hands-on learning, enrichment activities, and structured after school childcare. Offered across all 13 campuses, the program includes homework support, outdoor play, and enrichment classes, with partnerships like the Boys & Girls Club enhancing student engagement.

M. Consent Calendar

1. Administrative Services: Gifts to the District

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

2. **Administrative Services: Payroll Check Registers from January 11, 2025, through February 10, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

3. **Administrative Services: Purchase Orders for all Funds from January 31, 2025, through February 11, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

4. **Administrative Services: School District Check Registers from January 29, 2025, through February 11, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

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

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

6. **Human Resources: Certificated Employee Personnel Activity List - January 29, 2025, through February 11, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

7. **Human Resources: Classified Employee Personnel Activity List -January 29, 2025, through February 11, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

N. Old Business: None.

O. New Business

1. **Superintendent's Office: Resolution No. 16:2425 - Remuneration for Board Member Morgan Westmoreland - February 11, 2025, Board of Trustees' Meeting (Action)**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved by the Trustees Present (Morgan Westmoreland recused)

2. **Educational Services: 2024-2025 Independent Contractor Agreement between Ocean View School District of Orange County and Orange County School of the Arts for Musical Theater Education at Village View Elementary School (Action)**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Morgan Westmoreland
   Motion seconded by: Jack Souders

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

3. **Educational Services: Agreement for Non-Public Agency Placement of Special Education Student as Determined by Individualized Education Program (IEP) (Action)**

   Approve as submitted.

   Motion made by: Jack Souders
   Motion seconded by: Keri Gorsage

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

4. **Educational Services: Independent Contractor Agreement between Ocean View School District of Orange County and P.S. Arts for Art Instruction at Elementary Schools (Action)**

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Morgan Westmoreland
Motion seconded by: Jack Souders

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

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

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

Trustee Westmoreland:

-Presentation on Special Education Program

R. Board of Trustees' Roundtable

Trustee Westmoreland commented on the new guide dog puppy, Yoda, at Hope View School, as another example of the amazing opportunities provided to students; reiterated how proud she is to have her children attend school in the District, where they can experience these unique and enriching programs.

Vice President Souders thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting; excited to see the wonderful programs shared tonight by Circle and Vista and hopes to visit more schools in the near future to see the great things happening at the sites.

Trustee Gorsage mentioned how she looks forward to the school site presentations, and hopes they continue as part of the Board Meetings; pleased to hear the parent survey results shared by Dr. Hoefer earlier, noting she is encouraged that parents are recognizing our efforts, especially in the area of customer service; advised she will keep listening and continue improving and doing her best for the Ocean View community.

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin shared a positive message from a Harbour View parent regarding various improvements, especially in the Dual Language Immersion (DLI) Program; mentioned the high cost of the annual Washington D.C./New York trip for 8th grade students, noting the outrageous price may be related to the company being utilized, and asked staff to look into the matter further; acknowledged Mesa View's recent second Eagle Lunch of the Year, where her older son joined her younger son at the event on her behalf, as she was unable to attend; expressed her opposition to the upcoming Symphony of Flowers event at Central Park, and hopes the City Council will reconsider their approval; stated that bald eagles live in the area of Central Park and have been spotted at Mesa View Middle School.

President Singer acknowledged the Board for working together in an efficient and effective manner as a team; will be working with the Superintendent to review the District's customer service plan and explore implementation before the school year ends; acknowledged the positive community feedback about welcoming school sites, and emphasized the importance of ensuring the Board understands the plan's implementation to properly address and validate parent concerns.

S. Closed Session (if needed)

The Board of Trustees returned to Closed Session at 7:31 p.m. to continue discussion of items previously announced. Any reports of Closed Session actions will be made from the Board's Conference Room in Building C.

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

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 8:24 p.m. There were no Closed Session actions to report.

U. Adjournment

Time: 8:25 p.m.

Motion made by: Jack Souders
Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

Julianne Hoefer, Ph.D., Superintendent

Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk

3/12/25
Date