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

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

APPROVED

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
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 March 25, 2025

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

D. Closed Session

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin read aloud the items listed under Closed Session.

1. Government Code Section 54957: Public Employment: Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Deputy Superintendent, Human Resources

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

3. Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiators - Agency designated representative: Julianne Hoefer, Ph.D., Superintendent; Employee Organizations: CSEA and OVTA

There being no one present wishing to speak on these matters, the Board moved to Closed Session at 5:17 p.m.

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

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 6:01 p.m. The following action was taken in Closed Session:

Motion by Jack Souders, seconded by Gina Clayton-Tarvin, and carried by the following roll call vote to approve the confidential settlement agreement, including releases and waivers and accepting the resignation of certificated employee 3800000717, effective December 31, 2025. The employee shall remain in paid status until December 31, 2025, and receive District Health and Benefits until June 30, 2026:

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, March 11, 2025

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

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

I. Time Certain

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

Oak View Elementary Principal Araceli Osborn, along with teachers Pat Schraff and Juley Bennett, and Parentis Foundation Director Janice Frechette-Artinger, presented the school's literacy initiatives, including Family Literacy Labs, interactive read-alouds, and one-on-one tutoring with older adult mentors. These programs have strengthened family engagement, improved student reading skills, and fostered a supportive learning environment.

2. 6:15 p.m. Mesa View Middle School Presentation

Principal Isis Ortiz and student leaders from Mesa View Middle School presented the school's inclusive California Junior Scholarship Federation (CJSF) program, which promotes academic excellence, leadership, and community service for all students, including those with disabilities. Students shared their experiences and favorite high school tours, while advisor Sarah Roberts highlighted CJSF's long-standing impact and student-driven outreach projects.

3. 6:25 p.m. California School Public Relations Association (CalSPRA) Award Recognition

Julie St. Cyr, Communications and Public Information Officer, was recognized for earning awards at the recent California School Public Relations Association (CalSPRA) conference. The four prestigious awards—three Awards of Excellence and one Award of Merit—acknowledged her outstanding work in school communications; specifically, the District's redesigned website, press coverage of the Special Olympics, a social media campaign promoting the Dual Language Immersion program, and a year-long initiative to boost engagement across platforms.

4. 6:30 p.m. Presentation of Draft Trustee Area Maps: Legal Counsel from Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (AALRR) and Demographer from Woolpert will present information on multiple trustee area scenarios for the purpose of receiving Board and public input. Copies of the presentations will be available at the Board Meeting.

Attorney Todd Robbins, from Atkinson, Andelson, Lloyd, Ruud & Romo (AALRR) and demographer David Lopez, from Wolpert, presented information on four draft trustee area maps as part of the District's consideration of transitioning to by-trustee area elections. They explained the process and legal requirements to meet in order to comply with the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

The Trustees discussed the implications of each map and raised concerns about the necessity and effectiveness of the process. After further discussion, the Board reached consensus to eliminate Map 1 and continue considering Maps 2, 3, and 4. The Board emphasized transparency and encouraged continued community participation throughout the process.

5. **6:50 p.m. Public Hearing: The Board of Trustees of the Ocean View School District will conduct a public hearing in accordance with Elections Code Section 10010 to receive and consider input regarding the transition to by-trustee area elections and four proposed 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. The Board invites public testimony regarding this matter.**

   President Singer opened the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m. She advised that one written comment had been submitted online by Victor Valladares. The Board has received a copy of this comment, and copies are available for public review as well.

   David Clifford, parent, spoke in opposition to the District transitioning to by-trustee area elections.

   The Public Hearing was closed at 7:36 p.m.

J. **Public Comment:** None.

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, commended the Human Resources and Special Education Departments for collaborating to develop a shared spreadsheet for tracking the pre-employment progress of new hires; stated that since his last report two weeks ago, seven new employees have been successfully hired and are working in the District.

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

   Trustee Westmoreland commented on her attendance at the recent Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Music Festival held at Marine View Middle School, in which all middle schools participated; remarked on the noticeable growth in talent across all participating schools as compared to the previous year; continues to be impressed by the District's students, particularly in their public speaking and performing arts abilities; expressed her gratitude to everyone behind the scenes for their dedication and extensive efforts that make such events so successful; plans to attend more school events in the future.

   Vice President Souders shared information about the recent CUE Conference he attended, including sessions regarding Artificial Intelligence, Leadership, District Climate, and fostering inclusivity for all students; emphasized the importance of deeper consideration of how curriculum and school design could evolve to better meet students' real-world futures.

Trustee Gorsage concurred with Trustee Westmoreland's praise of the District's outstanding Music Festival, highlighted by the impressive display of student talent; pleased to serve as a judge for the recent Oratorical Contest that focused on students' public speaking skills, passion, and optimism; attended STEM Family Night at College View, where the staff provided fun and educational activities for the students and their families; reiterated her gratitude for the many events happening across the District and her appreciation for the work being done at the schools every week.

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin thanked Oak View and Mesa View for their outstanding presentations; congratulated Julie St. Cyr on her well-deserved recognition and achievements; pleased to emcee the Surf City Oratorical Contest and praised the impressive public speaking skills of the middle school students; commented on her recent attendance at the California Federation of Teachers and Classified Staff Convention, where key educational issues affecting students statewide were discussed; explained her role as the Co-Chair of the "Our Libraries Matter" campaign Committee, which is advocating for two ballot measures on the June 10, 2025, Special Election in Huntington Beach involving the city library; encouraged community members to do their research and consider voting yes on the measures, and thanked her colleagues and local leaders who supported the campaign by signing official ballot arguments and rebuttals.

President Singer thanked Vice President Souders for conducting the last Board Meeting for her as she was at home ill; reported on her participation at the Robert Mayer Huntington Beach Leadership Academy as the Board's representative, and thanked Julie St. Cyr for providing helpful preparation ahead of the event; commended the talent of the students at the District Music Festival; thanked Oak View and Mesa View staff and students for their presentations; congratulated Julie St Cyr on her recent public relations recognition and emphasized the Board's ongoing commitment to engaging and clearly communicating with the community.

5. Superintendent's Communications

Dr. Hoefer discussed some of the District's student performances, family events, and community celebrations, as she highlighted the Surf City Optimist Oratorical Contest, the District Music Festival, and Oak View's production of *The Lion King*; noted additional activities, such as upcoming musicals at Westmont and College View, family literacy and math nights, as well as the start of Open House season, beginning with Mesa View Middle School on March 27; reminded everyone of the District's Festival of the Arts event on Thursday, April 3, 2025, at the District Office.

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

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

Jennifer Paulino and Rebecca Broussard, OVTA Co-Presidents, expressed pride and optimism as they shared the value of dedicated parent-teacher conferences and thanked families for their time and partnership;

acknowledged Dr. Hoefer's visible presence and communication with parents and staff, as she builds trust and transparency; affirmed OVTA's commitment to working in unity with the Board and District leadership to create a thriving educational environment for both students and staff.

L. Reports

1. Local Control & Accountability Plan (LCAP) 2024/25 Update on Educational Partner Engagement

Dr. Alice Lee, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, and Elaine Burney, Coordinator of Teaching and Learning, delivered an update on the 2024-25 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Educational Partner Engagement. They shared insights from recent parent surveys and student focus groups and sought input from the Board.

M. Consent Calendar

1. Administrative Services: Agreement for Special Services - Fiscal and Management Information Services Between Ocean View School District of Orange County and School Services of California, Inc. (Renewal)

Approve as submitted.

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

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

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

Approve as submitted.

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

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

3. Administrative Services: Purchase Orders for all Funds from February 26, 2025, through March 11, 2025

Approve as submitted.

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

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

4. **Administrative Services: School District Check Registers from February 26, 2025, through March 11, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

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

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

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

   Approve as submitted.

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

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

6. **Human Resources: Certificated Employee Personnel Activity List - February 26, 2025, through March 11, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

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

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

7. **Human Resources: Classified Employee Personnel Activity List - February 26, 2025, through March 11, 2025**

   Approve as submitted.

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

   Voting:
   Unanimously Approved

N. Old Business: None.

O. New Business

1. **Superintendent's Office: Resolution No. 19:2425 - Remuneration for Board President Patricia Singer - March 11, 2025, Board of Trustees' Meeting (Action)**

Approve as submitted.

Prior to the vote on this matter, President Singer left the room and returned after the vote was taken.

Motion made by: Gina Clayton-Tarvin
Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:
Gina Clayton-Tarvin - Yes
Keri Gorsage - Yes
Patricia Singer - Not Present
Jack Souders - Yes
Morgan Westmoreland - Yes

2. **Administrative Services: Home-to-School Transportation Program Report (Action)**

Approve as submitted.

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

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

3. **Administrative Services: Use of California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract No. 4-21-10-1072 HVAC Replacement at Harbour View Elementary School (Action)**

Approve as submitted.

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

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

4. **Educational Services: Contracts for Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) for Student with Special Needs (Action)**

Approve as submitted.

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

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

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

Approve as submitted.

Motion made by: Keri Gorsage
Motion seconded by: Morgan Westmoreland

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

6. **Human Resources: Williams Settlement Legislation Second Quarter Report 2024-2025 (Information)**

Received for information.

P. Any Other Public Comments to the Board of Trustees

Dana Arazi, parent, shared a positive update about his son, Phoenix, who spoke at the last Board Meeting regarding homework concerns, and thanked the Board for listening to his comments; noted that his son was inspired by the feedback he received and has worked to improve his time management, raise his grades, and pursue his creative and technical interests with Artificial Intelligence.

Q. Future Agenda Items (As Requested by Board Members): None.

R. Board of Trustees' Roundtable

Clerk Clayton-Tarvin stated she is looking forward to attending her son's Open House at Mesa View this week; thanked Mr. Arazi for updating the Board on the positive outcome of Phoenix's homework concerns and was pleased that his son brought these concerns directly to the Board who provided feedback; thanked Dr. Hoefer for the reminder about the District's Festival of the Arts on April 3, 2025; reflected on the strong partnerships between the Board, Administration, and labor groups, and expressed appreciation for the District's collaborative environment; provided an update on a new industrial arts partnership between Mesa View and the Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters that she initiated through a connection with Industrial Tech teacher Brett Hardy; noted the partnership will offer students exposure to carpentry and trade careers through visits to a union training facility and access to apprenticeship programs.

Trustee Gorsage thanked Oak View and Mesa View for their informative presentations, as well as Mr. Arazi for updating the Board on his son's situation; talked about flexible seating in the classroom which provides for a more student-centered learning setup compared to rows of chairs; thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting.

Vice President Souders expressed his gratitude to the parents and volunteers at Oak View, highlighting the vital role they play in promoting reading and fostering a love of books among students; stressed the importance of adapting education to meet changing times and encouraged continued innovation in teaching practices; pleased with the civic engagement process as reflected in Mr. Arazi's son's recent experience.

Trustee Westmoreland thanked Mr. Arazi for updating the Board regarding Phoenix's experience; appreciated everyone attending or watching the meeting online.

President Singer mentioned she attended the STEM night at College View; thanked the staff for their diligent work behind the scenes in preparation for each Board Meeting; stated her appreciation for the partnerships with the teachers and classified employees, and thanked them for the wonderful work they do for Ocean View School District; thanked Dr. Hoefer for her leadership as Superintendent of the District.

S. Closed Session (if needed)

The Board of Trustees returned to Closed Session at 8:30 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 9:11 p.m. There were no Closed Session actions to report.

U. Adjournment

Time: 9:12 p.m.

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

Voting:
Unanimously Approved

Julianne Hoefer, Ph.D., Superintendent

Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk

April 8, 2025
Date