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MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting – August 10, 2022
Closed Session – 4 P.M.
Open Session – 6 P.M.
Dr. Lowell J. Billings Board Room, Education Service and Support Center
Streamed Online

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order
President Ugarte called the meeting to order at 4:02 P.M.

B. Roll Call
Members Present:
Ms. Lucy Ugarte, President
Ms. Leslie Bunker, Vice President
Mr. Francisco Tamayo, Clerk
Ms. Kate Bishop, Member
Mr. Cesar T. Fernandez, Member

Members Absent:
None

Others Present:
Dr. Eduardo Reyes, Superintendent
Mr. Oscar Esquivel, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Jason Romero, Asst. Supt. Human Resources
Dr. Matthew Tessier, Asst. Supt., Innovation and Instruction
Ms. Giovanna Castro, Communications Officer
Ms. Araceli Guzman, Supt. and Board of Education Administrative Manager

C. President Ugarte asked Member Fernandez to lead the Pledge of Allegiance

2. APPROVE AGENDA (Action)

Approve Agenda

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Oral Communications on Closed Session Items

The Oral Communications section provides the public with an opportunity to address the Board on closed session items only. Persons wishing to be heard may attend in person and should complete a "Request to Be Heard" card and submit it to the Recording Secretary before the start of the meeting or call 619-679-9001 prior to the start of the meeting. Speakers are requested to limit their remarks to three minutes and speak in a respectful and professional manner. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each topic to 20 minutes. With Board consent, the President may increase or decrease the time allowed for public comments depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard. No Board action can be taken.

No speakers.

4. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

President Ugarte adjourned to closed session at 4:06 P.M. in accordance with the following:

Government Code Sections 3549.1(d) and 54957.6: Collective Bargaining/Employee Negotiations; Agency Negotiators: Fagen Friedman & Fulfrost, LLP and Adams Silva & McNally LLP; Employee Organizations: Chula Vista Classified Employees Organization (CVCEO); Chula Vista Educators (CVE); Nonrepresented Employees

Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Employment:
Title: Senior Director, Early Childhood Education

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation in Office of Administrative Hearings, Case No. 2022050871 for Student No. 307718

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation in Office of Administrative Hearings, Case No. 2022020735 for Student No. 306509

Government Code Section 35146: Consider Waiver of Student Expulsion Hearing and Stipulated Suspended Expulsion Agreement Student No. 551506

Government Code Section 54957(a): allows for discussion of potential threats to the security of buildings, services, or public's access to services or facilities. Note, the chief of police, a deputy, security consultant, or security operations manager must participate in that portion of the closed session

5. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Reconvene to Open Session

President Ugarte reconvened to open session at 5:59 P.M. with all Board Members present.

President Ugarte ask Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Mr. Jason Romero to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Tamayo announced that in closed session, the Board:

Approved Noemy Salas-Oliveros as Senior Director, Early Childhood Education

Motion: BUNKER, Second: TAMAYO,
Vote: Ayes: BISHOP, BUNKER, FERNANDEZ, TAMAYO, UGARTE
Absent: NONE, Noes: NONE, Abstain: NONE

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation in Office of Administrative Hearings, Case No. 2022050871 for Student No. 307718

Approved.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BISHOP
Vote: Ayes: BISHOP, BUNKER, FERNANDEZ, TAMAYO, UGARTE
Absent: NONE, Noes: NONE, Abstain: NONE

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation in Office of Administrative Hearings, Case No. 2022020735 for Student No. 306509

Approved.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: FERNANDEZ
Vote: Ayes: BISHOP, BUNKER, FERNANDEZ, TAMAYO, UGARTE
Absent: NONE, Noes: NONE, Abstain: NONE

Government Code Section 35146: Consider Waiver of Student Expulsion Hearing and Stipulated Suspended Expulsion Agreement Student No. 551506

Approved.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BISHOP
Vote: Ayes: BISHOP, BUNKER, FERNANDEZ, TAMAYO, UGARTE
Absent: NONE, Noes: NONE, Abstain: NONE

6. APPROVE AGENDA (Action)

Approve Agenda

Motion: BISHOP, Second: FERNANDEZ, Vote: UNANIMOUS

7. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, AWARDS, AND HONORS

Special Recognition/ Awards, Honors

A. Presentation of Newly Hired and Promoted Employees

Asst. Supt. of Human Resources Mr. Jason Romero announced newly hired employees below:

Acknowledged Ms. Noemy Salas-Oliveros as Senior Director, Early Childhood Education
Ricardo Cisneros, ESSC Plant Operator Asst.
Elizabeth Tucker Diaz, Associate Principal, Veterans
Margarita Maalouf, Child Nutrition Services III
Cynthia Martinez, Bus Driver
Patricia Paniagua, School Attendance Secretary/Health Specialist
Julia Robles, Instructional Assistant-Transitional Kindergarten
Carla Sanchez, Instructional Assistant-Transitional Kindergarten
Ashley Soltero, Instructional Assistant-Transitional Kindergarten

B. Recognition of Fahari L. Jeffers Elementary School in Honor of the Ribbon Cutting Dedication, and Service to the Students of the Chula Vista Elementary School District

Dr. Reyes presented a Certificate of Special Recognition to Fahari L. Jeffers Elementary, on behalf of the Congresswoman Sara Jacobs, from California's 53rd Congressional District, for the Ribbon Cutting Dedication. Jeffers Elementary Principal Dr. Shawna Codrington accepted the award.

C. Recognition of 2021-22 Chula Vista Elementary School District Wellness Champion Award Recipients

Dr. Matt Tessier provided history of this recognition. In 2018-19, the District's Wellness Committee established the health and wellness acknowledgement. Three winning recipients were announced. He also recognized VEBA, Kaiser Permanente, and United Health Care for the donation of prizes for the candidates.

Recipients are listed below:

- Third Grade Teacher Melissa Farlow
- Kellogg Parent Lourdes Trejo
- Rice Elementary School

Also announced were three finalists:

- Greg Rogers Teacher Jessica Lee
- Liberty Teacher Scott Crellin
- Eastlake Counselor Jamala Simms

D. Recognition of American Heart Association Kids Heart Challenge Partnership

Dr. Tessier recognized 32 schools for participating in Kids Heart Challenge. They raised $120,000. The highest grossing school district in San Diego County. 2,300 students took the heart challenge, 304 students learned CPR, and 291 learned the warning signs of a stroke. A total of $11,000 in givebacks was awarded to 32 schools.

District Health and Wellness Coordinator Heather Cruz introduced American Heart Association Youth Market Director Julie Peacock. Ms. Peacock thanked CVESD for raising over $2.5 million throughout the course of the partnership. She presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Superintendent Dr. Eduardo Reyes.

Board Members acknowledged the program and partnership and congratulated the participants.

8. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Communications to the Board

A. Chula Vista Classified Employees Organization

President Angela Reed spoke about her passionate belief in providing professional development to classified employees. Prolonged employee trainings to transportation, clerical, and custodial staff are continuous. Providing training is in the benefit of the District. Unfortunately, professional development for those in a classroom setting is inadequate. There was recently an issue with CPR training, or lack thereof.

She closed her discourse circling back to equity. Professional educators consistently receive professional development training. Equitable treatment is to provide professional training for classified educators, as well as certificated educators.

B. Chula Vista Educators

President Rosi Martinez thanked Mr. Oscar Esquivel and Dr. Eduardo Reyes for reducing combo classes. She commended Mr. Jason Romero for attracting and recruiting employees.

Ms. Martinez expressed concern about employees not being appreciated, not given opportunity when requesting to transfer, and not even given an opportunity to interview or considered for the request to transfer. This is insulting and does not make employees feel valued or respected. She requested that the district appreciate employees by supporting the process that reflects their work and years of service.

Also of importance is safety. She has received much communication with the concern of safety at the schools. Every school must create a safety plan, and a safety committee. Staff needs to be included as active participants.

The safety MOU is due to expire in September. CVE feels that it is important to revise and extend this MOU created by the pandemic.

9. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Oral Communications

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- Maria shared that she has a problem with Board member Bishop not participating in the Pledge of Allegiance
- Jackie, parent of fourth grade and fifth grade student shared her frustration with the discrepancies on the east and west side schools, and questioned the role of the Board, its endorsement, and elections
- Peggy, teacher at Heritage, expressed concern with the schools' health and safety plans, and increase in positive COVID cases

10. ORAL PRESENTATIONS AND WRITTEN REPORTS

Oral Presentations/ Written Reports

A. District Safety Efforts/COVID-19 Update

Mr. Romero started off by ensuring that CVESD is committed to practicing COVID guidelines to keep students and staff safe. Even though masks are optional, communication is sent to families by email and phone calls stressing the importance of masking. Furthermore, weekly testing is continuing at every site at no charge. Additionally, a new position, COVID Notification Coordinator, has been created, pending Board approval tonight. This position will help streamline the process at the school sites.

On August 9th, a Safety Forum presented by CVESD in collaboration with CVPD was held, attended by parents, staff, and the community. Safety is a regular practice at CVESD. Every school will continue with Site Preparedness, conducted throughout the year. Some procedures include checking for damage to exterior fences, gates, padlocks, , and maintenance and upkeep, as well as perimeter checks. Site

Readiness includes testing fire alarms, PA system, and perimeter checks. Lastly, School Community Preparedness includes safety professional development and training, and fire, duck, and cover drills. An Active Shooter Training for staff will be provided in conjunction with Chula Vista Police Department (CVPD). Students do not participate in this training. Overall, three areas of safety include Site Preparedness, Site Readiness, and School Community Preparedness.

On an annual basis, every school is required to develop and update a Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) due to the County in March. This plan provides guidance on school policies related to emergencies. Each school has a customized plan.

One of the longstanding partnerships for safety is School Resource Officers (SRO). Currently, there are 17 SROs serving 70+ schools.

Future projects to improve safety include new radios, cameras at 20 schools, and hiring a safety consultant.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Member Bishop requested clarification on our COVID cases, and safety practices. Also included in the discussion was security cameras, emergency preparedness drills, active shooter drills, and safety communication to parents.

Member Fernandez shared a recent incident of a lockdown at one of our schools. Communication to parents is of high importance. Additionally, it is critical to rank maintenance work orders concerning safety to the top of the list.

Member Tamayo expressed the importance of school safety committees, COVID testing, and air filters in classrooms.

Vice President Bunker reiterated the importance of communication and notifications to parents on safety protocols and incidents.

President Ugarte thanked all stakeholders for the Safety Community Forum and the parents and community for attending.

B. Report on Teaching and Learning with a Vision of Purpose

Dr. Tessier reported on the Combination Class and Class Size Average updates and started by thanking the Board, Dr. Reyes, and Mr. Esquivel for their support and CVE President Rosi Martinez for pushing this topic.

The average class size numbers have been reduced significantly resulting in the lowest in 17 years.

Combination classes were projected to be 86 this year, but the number was reduced to 54.

There was one public comment on this item:

- Delia Dominguez Cervantes: shared concerns on students not learning at their age level

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Member Bishop requested clarification on average class size for TK-3. It is 12 students per one certificated teacher. Dialogue also included the process of overflowing students to another school. The cause is due to a lack of space (classrooms) or number of teachers.

Member Fernandez asked about the cost of reducing combo classes 86 to 54. It was explained that the cost is roughly $125,000 per teacher, which includes salary, benefits, and costs. One-time funds (COVID relief) were used. These are not on-going funds. It is known that coming out of the pandemic there were achievement gaps, statewide, nationwide, even worldwide. Our top priority is for students to receive the most intense intervention and support as possible. Additional use of these funds included the hiring of Impact teachers, counselors, and psychologists to help students now.

President Ugarte appreciated the District's efforts to reduce the number of combo classes.

C. Report on Results of the 2021-22 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress in English-Language Arts and Math and the District's Plan to Improve Student Achievement Outcomes

Dr. Tessier introduced Senior Director of Curriculum and Instruction Rochelle Carroll and presented on preliminary results from California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

Summative ELA overall rank by grade level shows that third grade is the lowest performing grade level. This is a result of two years of trying to learn a language on a computer, with a mask on. Summative math overall by grade level shows that the grade five is the lowest performance grade. Data shows there is about a 10% decline from the pre-COVID years.

Literacy is the focus for Teaching and Learning, particularly for students grades three through six. An additional Impact teacher was assigned to the top 12 unduplicated sites with the highest need. Furthermore, we are using National Center for Urban School Transformation (NCUST) to coach and support principals, so they know how to support their teachers.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Member Bishop requested clarification on NCUST and the different tracking and program systems used for analyzing data.

Member Fernandez commended the support systems in place and suggested to include classified staff to also participate.

Board Members expressed their appreciation with the work on improving student achievement.

President Ugarte requested a break at 8:06 P.M. and meeting reconvened at 8:14 P.M.

11. APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR (Action) *Consent Calendar*

The following items listed under Consent Calendar are considered by the Board in one action. There will be no discussion on these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion unless members of the Board, staff, or public request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar.

President Ugarte asked if there were any items to be pulled for separate discussion and/or vote. Board Member Bishop asked to pull Item Agenda C.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BISHOP, Vote: UNANIMOUS

A. Adopt Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special Meeting June 23, 2022, and Regular Meeting July 13, 2022

B. Approve and/or Ratify Human Resources Items A Through J **2022-23.014**

C. Adopt Resolution Designating September 2022 as National Hispanic Heritage Month in the Chula Vista Elementary School District **2022-23.015**

Board Member Bishop said it was important to take this time to read out the resolution due to the large population of Hispanic families. She stressed the importance of all resolutions and requested that they are searchable on our website.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: FERNANDEZ, Vote: UNANIMOUS

D. Adopt Resolution Designating September 2022 as National Preparedness Month in the Chula Vista Elementary School District **2022-23.016**

E. Approve Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School Master Contracts with ACES Academy, Aseltine School, Banyan Tree Foundations Academy, Community School of San Diego, Excelsior Academy, The Institute for Effective Education, New Bridge School, San Diego Center for Children Academy, Sierra School of San Diego, Springall Academy, and Stein Center for Special Education and Related Services for Individuals with Exceptional Needs for the 2022-23 School Year

F. Ratify Memorandum of Understanding Between San Diego Hunger Coalition and Chula Vista Community Collaborative for the Period of January 16 Through December 31, 2022

G. Ratify Memorandum of Understanding with Sweetwater Union High School District and Chula Vista Elementary School District for Intervention Services with Chula Vista Community Collaborative for the Period of July 1, 2022, Through June 30, 2023

H. Ratify Memorandum of Agreement with the South Bay Family YMCA for the Dynamic After-School Hours/Junior Academy Program and Chula Vista Elementary School District for the Period of July 1, 2022, Through June 30, 2023

I. Approve Purchase Contract with QuaverEd, Inc. District Licenses for the Period of August 11, 2022, Through June 30, 2023

J. Ratify Agreement with Sweetwater Authority for Use of the Assembly Room at the Richard A. Reynolds Groundwater Desalination Facility for the Period of July 1, 2022, Through June 30, 2023

K. Ratify Nonpublic, Nonsectarian Individual Services Agreements for the 2022-23 School Year with:

(1) ACES Academy for Student No. 114395; and

(2) Aseltine School for Student No. 273712

L. Ratify Subrecipient Agreement with South Bay Community Services Corporation for Community Assessment Team Services for the Period of July 1, 2022, Through June 30, 2023

M. Adopt Resolution Designating Authorized Agents to Receive Mail and Pick Up Warrants at the San Diego County Office of Education for Fiscal Year 2022-23 **2022-23.017**

N. Adopt Resolution Declaring September 2022 as Attendance Awareness Month in the Chula Vista Elementary School District **2022-23.018**

O. Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Use of the State of Utah, Contract No. MA3457, Representing Omnia Partners, Awarded to Amazon Services, LLC, for the Period of August 11, 2022, Through May 5, 2025 **2022-23.019**

P. Adopt Resolution Authorizing Utilization of the State of California CALNET 4 Contract No. C4-DNCS-19-001-40, with AT&T Subcategories 25, and 29, for Data Networks and Communications **2022-23.020**

Services to Obtain Optical Fiber-Based AT&T IP Flex Reach (SIP Trunk) Telephone Service, to Replace Aging Copper Wire Phone Lines in Use at School Sites and the Educational Service and Support Center, for the Period of September 1, 2022, Through June 30, 2025

Q. Approve Renewal of Bid No. 21/22-2 for Replacement Air Purification Filters to Fisher Scientific, LLC, for the Period of August 12, 2022, Through August 11, 2023

R. (1) Ratify Purchase of Start-Up Equipment including Scanner, Barcode Reader, Badge Printer, and Visitor Badges, Start-Up Fee, and One-Month Annual Access Fee for Fahari L Jeffers Elementary School, for the Month of July 2022, in the Amount of $1,746.23; and

(2) Ratify Renewal of Contract with Raptor Technologies, LLC, in the Amount of $31,875, for the Period of August 1, 2022, Through July 31, 2023

S. Approve Overnight Study Trip for Sixth Grade Students from Silver Wing Elementary School to Sacramento, California, from March 31, 2023, Through April 1, 2023

T. Ratify Purchase Orders, Warrants, and Checks Written/Issued Through July 31, 2022 **2022-23.021**

U. Approve and/or Ratify Inservice/Travel Requests **2022-23.022**

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearings

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A. (1) Conduct Public Hearing to Perform Specified Service for the Period of January 20 Through June 30, 2023; and **2022-23.023**

(2) Adopt Resolution Regarding Two Short-Term Classified Employees

Mr. Jason Romero explained the need to hire two additional employees to provide support to the Transportation Department as Bus Driver Instructors, on a Short-Term basis, beginning August 11, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

13. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEMS

Administrative Action Items

A. Approve/Ratify Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Chula Vista for School Resource Officer Services for the 2022-23 School Year

Dr. Matthew Tessier shared there is a contract with CVPD for three SROs at a cost of $543,106. This agenda item is to request an additional SRO, bringing the total of four SROs to $715,326 and continue to be paid for with LCAP funds. There is a charge-back from Charters that make up the additional revenue not covered by LCAP.

SROs provide much support to our schools and communities. To name a few, help with Harborside and Harborside Park, student custody issues, the PERT Team, and ensuring our students and staff are safe. Adding an additional SRO is critical to help us with our safety efforts.

CVPD Captain Collin and Sargent Joe Picone responded to questions by the Board. Funding for four (shared Districts) SROs, approximate cost of $822,000, is covered by the City of Chula Vista. Officers get extensive training when they become an SRO. Currently there are seven SROs, each assigned to 10 schools, broken up into sectors. Each get to at least five of their schools a day. Their presence is not to patrol. They are there to support schools, conduct perimeter checks, increasing safety and security, and attend meetings, with students, staff, and parents. They are involved with the community and speak at school events to educate about what they do.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Member Bishop requested information on cost analysis at an upcoming meeting.

Board Members commended SROs and their dedication to the involvement, safety, and security of our schools.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: FERNANDEZ, Vote: UNANIMOUS

14. FIRST AND SECOND READINGS, BOARD POLICIES, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS, AND BOARD BYLAWS

First and Second Readings

A. First Reading/Revision/Readoption: Board Bylaw 9000 Role of the Board (Powers and Responsibilities)

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

B. First Reading/Revision/Readoption: Board Bylaw 9130 Board Committees

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

C. First Reading/Readoption: Board Bylaw 9140 Board Representatives

Dr. Reyes stated that these bylaws reference the roles of the Board and are brought forward either for readoption or for readoption with slight modifications, as outlined by California School Board Association (CSBA).

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

D. First Reading/Revision/Readoption: Board Policy 6158, Instruction, Independent Study Program

Dr. Tessier shared that signed independent study contracts required 30 days for submittal during the pandemic. This revision reverts back to 10 days as per pre-pandemic requirements.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

15. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS/REPORTS

Information Items/Reports

A. Additions and Clarifications to the Chula Vista Elementary School District's Local Control and Accountability Plan for the 2022-23 School Year

Dr. Tessier shared that a revision to LCAP was carryover funds being returned to sites. Communication was received from the County that the LCAP Plan for 2022-23 has been approved and can be submitted to the State. LCAP for 2022-23 is officially over.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Vice President Bunker inquired about unspent funds back to schools. Dr. Tessier confirmed that these funds were returned to the sites.

B. (1) Review of the 2022-23 State Budget; and

(2) Review Impact of Revisions to the 2022-23 State Budget on the 2022-23 District Adopted Budget

Mr. Esquivel went over the power point presentation on the revised budget for 2022-23. He added that Governor Newsom signed the 2022-23 Budget in June.

There were major revenue changes which included a 3.09% Base Grant Increase which is separate from the 6.56% Cost of Living

Adjustment received. Also included is a $3.3 million in Home-to-School Transportation Reimbursement funds, a $4.2 million Average Daily Attendance COVID Relief funds to be used over a three-year average, $28.4 million in restricted Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant (one-time) funds, $13.5 million in restricted Arts, Music, and in restricted Instructional Materials Block Grant (one-time) funds, and $15 million in Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP). Funds required a Board approved plan.

Additional One-Time State Budget Restricted funds include Community Schools Partnership Program, CA Pre-Kindergarten Planning Implementation Grant, Kitchen Infrastructure Grants, Workforce Investments – Educator Grant Programs, School Facility Program, Green School Bus Grant Program, and Special Education Grants.

There was an increase in expenditures in Salaries and Benefits due to the recruitment of 18 additional teaching positions.

Historical Average Daily Attendance (ADA) shows a decline in enrollment over an upcoming three-year period. This will impact funding. Another impact in funding is a drop in reported births.

Additional information will be provided to the Board as changes occur.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Member Bishop inquired about funds spent on transportation, SROs, and recruitment, an explanation of commitments, and requested a breakdown of expenditures. She also inquired on where the additional funds derive from. Mr. Esquivel explained they are State funds, and that commitments are encumbered funds. In essence, they are funds reserved for upcoming, anticipated expenses. Additionally, she requested an updated presentation on cohorts.

Member Fernandez requested quarterly reports on Teaching and Learning; anything new or exciting we are offering to students. MTSS is another item he would like an update on.

Member Bishop requested a report on the HIIP Program that includes Rita Palet's doctoral thesis.

Vice President Bunker requested an update on communication related to textbook adoption. Dr. Reyes shared that committees are currently working on textbook adoption for science.

C. Report Calendar to Board of Education

16. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Board Communications

Member Bishop expressed her gratitude to the staff for the opening of school. She also addressed the topic questioned during public comment

about her lack of participation to salute to the flag. She explained it is due to her religious belief, and the separation of church and state. As for 'justice for all', she feels we are not there yet as a country.

Member Fernandez thanked the staff for coordinating the Community Expo held on a Saturday, and for volunteering their time. He requested to be invited to meetings or events related to safety and security.

Vice President Bunker has noticed positivity, excitement, and engagement with the start of the school year. Students are happy to be back in class. She expressed her gratitude to all who participate in this success.

President Ugarte expressed her gratitude for staff for a successful opening of school.

17. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATION

Supt.'s Communication

Superintendent Dr. Reyes echoed his sentiment about the successful opening of school. He thanked all staff for their commitment and genuine care for students.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

President Ugarte adjourned the meeting at 9:30 P.M.
Motion: FERNANDEZ, Second: BISHOP, Vote: UNANIMOUS

Eduardo Reyes, Ed.D. Secretary

Francisco Tamayo, Clerk

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2022, AT 4 P.M. CLOSED SESSION AND 6 P.M. OPEN SESSION