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MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting
November 17, 2021
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 6:03 P.M.

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

Members Absent:
None.

Others Present:
Mr. Oscar Esquivel, Interim Superintendent
Dr. Matthew Tessier, Asst. Supt., Instructional Services
Mr. Jason Romero, Asst. Supt., Human Resources
Mrs. Theresa Villanueva, Interim Executive Director of Fiscal Services
Mrs. Nancy Teahan, Asst. to the Supt. and Board of Education
Mrs. Araceli Vargas, Administrative Assistant II

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Member Fernandez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVE AGENDA (Action)

Approve Agenda

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: FERNANDEZ, Vote: UNANIMOUS

3. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, AWARDS, AND HONORS

Special Recognition/ Awards, Honors

A. Presentation of Newly Hired and Promoted Employees

Assistant Superintendent Mr. Jason Romero introduced Mayra Reyes who was promoted to Principal and announced classified and certificated staff who were also promoted.

4. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Communications to the Board

A. Chula Vista Classified Employees Organization

President Peter Zeitler thanked Board Members, Mr. Romero, and Dr. Tessier. He said elections were coming up for President and for Vice President of Health and Welfare and this would be his last term. He shared how the District has moved forward VAPA [Visual and Performing Arts] and how it has been really good for the kids. He thanked several people who had a part in moving this program forward and how it brought kids together.

Mr. Zeitler shared the minimum wage has gone up to $15.00 and CNS [Child Nutrition Services] staff and noon duties will be below $15.00. He added reallocation would be coming up to look at jobs and he hopes to move people up.

He thanked Celi Vargas and Nancy Teahan for all they do.

B. Chula Vista Educators

President Rosi Martinez addressed how the District has prioritized their funding and the disrespect shown to employees and students. She said everyone has banned together during difficult working conditions to ensure the best learning opportunities for students. Educators prioritize students while often sacrificing their own time and well-being to do what is right for students. Ms. Martinez said when the District failed to prepare for the sub shortage, it was agreed to suspend all work that would take teachers out of their classroom, again, for the benefit of students. The District claims to prioritize work around social-emotional well-being, social justice and the support of English Learners. She said the work of the Biliteracy, MTSS and Social Justice consultation subcommittees that address these areas were cancelled. Each of these committees have only four members that need coverage and they could have been offered to meet for two hours after their contract day, but the District was not willing to compensate them for their time. Ms. Martinez said as a reminder, the District received an extra $108,000,000 to address the needs created by the pandemic. Last month, the District decided to prioritize the ILT work and take about 70 people out of their classrooms for full days so each cohort could meet with their ILT groups. At a time when the focus should be on supporting teachers and students and not adding unrealistic expectations to already impossible conditions, this is what

the District decided to do knowing there would not be enough substitutes to cover these assignments. The Virtual Academy committee has been meeting during contract hours without interrupting instruction; the Special Ed Task Force has eight members and they have been meeting after contract hours and paid their per diem. Again, she said this shows the value the District places on certain work and on the input of educators. Ms. Martinez shared the MTSS presentation at last month's Board meeting had no input from CVE members nor was it ever shared with Consultation before bringing it to the Board, as was past practice. CVE takes notice of the blatant disregard for their input and the District's willingness to violate the written agreement in the consultation article. Ms. Martinez added they can only conclude the District is not willing to put action behind their words when they talk about transparency and valuing employees and putting students first. If this work was truly important then the educators voice would be necessary and important. The District would also not continue to expect their employees to work without fair compensation. We have been bargaining our expired contract for four months and the District's offer to their hardworking, dedicated educators was zero percent on a pay scale. The District received a raise of over five-percent in COLA yet they offered their employees zero percent. The District will receive almost $10 million extra every year, yet employees were offered nothing. The budget presentations show how the District's finances are taking us to bankruptcy yet every year the District's reserves keep growing. The money should be spent on students and employees and not be hoarded. She brought over 900 signatures of CVE members who want to see this District act like they value their educators and the hard work they do for their students. Please don't say in closing remarks how thankful you are for your hard-working employees. Please show them by directing the District to bargain in good faith and show them the respect they deserve.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Oral Communications

The Oral Communications section provides the public with an opportunity to address the Board on non-agenda items. Persons wishing to be heard must 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. 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.

President Ugarte allowed each speaker two minutes.

- Ms. Enay regarding her concern over new and future curriculum being introduced in the schools relating to race and gender.

- Marta De La Cruz regarding concerns about what is being taught to students.
- BeBe requesting Kate Bishop to resign.
- Traci Talamantez regarding the District bargain in good faith.
- Char D'Ambrosia regarding Critical Race Theory.
- Diana MJC regarding Critical Race Theory.
- Eva Sal Diego regarding mask mandate.
- Ashley Barba regarding Critical Race Theory and having a Town Hall to help clarify concerns. Also, additional support for school office staff to help with COVID tasks.
- Debbie appreciates the office hours run by Board Member Bishop and President Ugarte. Encouraged other Board Members to do the same. Opposes mandate on teachers and children and said it should be a choice. Addressed the disrespect of teachers in the Board Room.
- Claudia Lopez regarding vaccine mandate.
- Ashley Lopez regarding concerns about Feaster Charter.
- Isabel R. regarding Critical Race Theory and LGBTQ curriculum.
- Courtney Sewell regarding vaccine mandate.
- Joe Loza asked to donate his time to the next speaker. It was explained that is no longer done.
- Laura Loza regarding rebuilding trust and faith in the community.
- Daniel Cruz regarding mask mandate and COVID vaccine mandate.
- Mrs. Brown thanked Board Members for their office hours. She also addressed Critical Race Theory.
- Jaqueline Gonzalez regarding COVID vaccine mandate.
- Ron Marcus regarding contract with teachers.
- Noemi regarding mask and vaccine mandates.

6. ORAL PRESENTATIONS AND WRITTEN REPORTS

Oral Presentations/ Written Reports

A. Report on Visual and Performing Arts Program

Dr. Tessier introduced the District's new Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Coordinator Marc Keehmer who presented on the VAPA program. Mr. Keehmer shared a little about himself, the history of VAPA in the District, teaching through the pandemic, the Chula Vista collaborative concert, and local and national partnerships. Due to some technical difficulties, President Ugarte called a five-minute break to allow time to trouble-shoot. After the break, Mr. Keehmer continued with the presentation and shared about arts as curriculum, arts-enhanced curriculum, and arts-integrated curriculum. He also added the VAPA team has been working through Zaretta Hammond's book, "Culturally Responsive Teaching & the Brain." He ended the presentation with a video of voices who have been impacted by the VAPA program.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

B. Report on District Charter Schools: Arroyo Vista, Chula Vista Learning Community, Discovery, Mae L. Feaster, and Robert L. Mueller

Dr. Tessier explained the relationship with charter schools, asked the charter leaders to stand, and then shared a video presentation of how charter schools are implementing VAPA at their schools.

Ashley Lopez thanked Scott Anderson for being the parent representative on the Feaster Charter Board and thanked Board Member Bishop for visiting the campus. Ms. Lopez asked for more oversight of Feaster Charter and the Board.

Claudia Perezchica requested more oversight from the District.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

C. Report on District Safety Committee/COVID-19 Update

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Jason Romero shared a presentation that included the purpose of the committee, the make-up of the District Safety Committee, Safety Committee discussions, COVID-19 guidelines and updates, and California vaccine mandate – schools.

Ashley Barba spoke regarding vaccine mandate.

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions. There was discussion regarding clarity on guidance so schools are all following the same protocols. There was a question regarding the current water bottle guideline and it was clarified that water bottles are allowed in the classroom and when a student takes a drink they are to move their mask down, take a drink, and put mask back up. It was also mentioned if guidelines are in place, they should be systemic, across the board, and sent out so everyone is following what is current. It was brought up a couple of times about the importance of communicating to schools and parents so everyone understands the guidelines and policies and follows the same protocols. There was a request to have a reminder sent to parents that masks are not required on the playground. It was also stressed that safety needs to be consistent and everyone should be following the same rules. There was a question regarding when changes can be made based on vaccination rate.

D. Report on Superintendent Search

Mr. Romero provided an update on the superintendent search. He reviewed the timeline, marketing, challenges, and opportunities he has encountered. He ended with the following, "The cost of reposting and restarting the hiring process is far less costly than the cost of hiring the wrong employee."

Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions. There was a question about the timeline and if the interview questions and rubric were being created after looking at applications. Mr. Romero clarified the rubric and questions will be established before looking at applications. Clerk Tamayo asked the Board to report to Mr. Romero anyone from the Search Committee who brings questions or information about the superintendent search. The process needs to be protected.

7. 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.

Prior to approval of the Consent Calendar Board Member Bishop asked to have items 7.A. and 7.D. pulled.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: FERNANDEZ, Vote: UNANIMOUS

A. Adopt Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Regular Meeting of September 15

Board Member Bishop asked to change "comment made" to "tweet allegedly said" on bottom of page 60 [in communication by Armando Farías]. On page 76, [under her communication that starts out "addressed a comment,"] she asked to add "explained the context," after "taken out of context."

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: FERNANDEZ, Vote: UNANIMOUS

B. Approve and/or Ratify Human Resources Items A Through L **2021-22.054**

C. Approve Memorandum of Understanding with Chula Vista Educators Regarding COVID-19 Safety Protocols

D. Adopt Resolution Acknowledging and Establishing the Second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day **2021-22.055**

Board Member Bishop asked President Ugarte to read the resolution as a way of honoring Native American peoples' heritage month by acknowledging the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples' Day. She thanked Clerk Tamayo for putting it on the agenda.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BISHOP, Vote: UNANIMOUS

E. Ratify Agreement with Inner Explorer Technology Services and Chula Vista Elementary School District and Dependent Charter Schools in the Amount of $135,700 for the Period of August 1, 2021, Through June 30, 2024

F. Ratify Agreement with San Diego Healthcare Quality Collaborative for Chula Vista Community Collaborative Services for the Addition of a Pediatric Navigator in the Amount of $69,991 for the Period of October 1, 2021, Through September 30, 2022

G. Ratify Nonpublic, Nonsectarian Individual Services Agreement with The Institute for Effective Education for Student No. 444064 in the Amount of $74,239 for the Period of August 30, 2021, Through June 30, 2022

H. Approve Agreement with the YMCA of San Diego County for Participation in the Outdoor Education Program for Myrtle S. Finney and Veterans Elementary Schools for the 2021-22 School Year

I. Adopt Resolution Authorizing Utilization of the State of California, California Department of Technology, CALNET Legacy Telecommunications Voice and Data Services Contract No. C4-LEG-12-10-TS-01, with AT&T for Subcategories 15, 16, and 18, for the Period of January 1, 2022, Through January 2, 2024 **2021-22.056**

J. Ratify Addition of an Enrollment Add-on Form to the Contract with PowerSchool Group LLC for the Online Enrollment Program in the Amount of $34,936.30 for the Period of October 25, 2021, Through October 15, 2022

K. Approve Contract with School Services of California, Inc., for Fiscal Information Services in the Amount of $4,880 for the Period of December 1, 2021, Through November 30, 2022

L. Accept Donations

M. Ratify Purchase Orders, Warrants, and Checks Written/Issued Through October 29, 2021 **2021-22.057**

N. Approve and/or Ratify Inservice/Travel Requests **2021-22.058**

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearings

The Public Hearings section provides the public with an opportunity to address the Board on specific items. Persons wishing to address the Board on any public hearing items must complete a "Request to Be Heard" card and submit it to the Recording Secretary before 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 input on each public hearing item to 20 minutes. With Board consent, the President may increase or decrease the time allowed for public comments on each public hearing item depending on the topic and the number of persons wishing to be heard.

A. Conduct Public Hearing on Educator Effectiveness Block Grant

Dr. Tessier shared a presentation to give more context on the Educator Effectiveness Grant. He gave an overview of the funding to be spent by 2025-26; he reviewed the ten allocations, stakeholder groups, proposed ideas for Chula Vista Educators, Chula Vista Classified Employees Organization, and administrators. Board Members had the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

President Ugarte opened the public hearing. There were no speakers. President Ugarte closed the public hearing.

B. (1) Conduct Public Hearing on a General Waiver Request to Provide a Reduced-Day Extended School Year Program from June 8 Through June 30, 2022; and

(2) Authorize Application for the General Waiver Request

Dr. Tessier said California law requires the District to provide an extended school year for special education students over 20 days. The District is asking the Board to apply for the waiver to reduce the number of days to 15. This will allow for employees and students to have a break and the required instructional minutes are met. Both Chula Vista Educators and Chula Vista Classified Employees Organization are in agreement.

Board Member Bishop commented it is great that kids get a break, everyone needs a break.

President Ugarte opened the public hearing. There were no speakers. President Ugarte closed the public hearing.

Motion: FERNANDEZ, Second: TAMAYO, Vote: UNANIMOUS

C. Conduct Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Attendance Boundaries for Fahari L. Jeffers Elementary School

Mr. Esquivel shared construction is underway for the new school scheduled to be completed June 2022 and open July 2022. He added that typically at this time, the District provides the boundaries and public hearing for the school site. The boundaries for this school site are pretty clear and located in community of Otay Ranch Village 3 Escaya. He shared there would be a community forum on November 30.

President Ugarte opened the public hearing. There were no speakers. President Ugarte closed the public hearing.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEMS

Administrative Action Items

A. Adopt December 15, 2021, at 6 P.M. as the Date and Time for the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board of Education of the Chula Vista Elementary School District

Mr. Esquivel explained the District must adopt an annual organizational meeting to be held within a 15-day period as per Education Code. This year, the 15-day period and the two options of a Wednesday Board meeting are December 15 and 22. Mr. Esquivel suggested the December 15 date. It is further away from the holidays and it will fulfill the requirement of Board approval of the First Interim Budget.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

B. Nominate Candidates for the 2022 Election of the California School Boards Association's Delegate Assembly, Region 17

Mr. Esquivel shared there will be nine vacancies and the Board can nominate additional members to the Delegate to be effective 2022.

Board Member Bishop nominated President Ugarte.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: TAMAYO, Vote: UNANIMOUS

C. Request Approval of Land Acknowledgement and Approval for the Land Acknowledgement to be Read at the Beginning of Board of Education Meetings

Mr. Esquivel shared history of the land acknowledgment and that Board Member Bishop was requesting approval for the Land Acknowledgement and for the Land Acknowledgement to be read at the beginning of Board meetings.

Claudia Lopez spoke on the purpose of the Land Acknowledgement and does not see it as a priority for Board meetings. She thanked Board Member Fernandez for offering office hours and recommended other Board members to post office hours for more open communication.

Board Member Bishop shared the Land Acknowledgement is part of a holistic approach to honoring Indigenous families. She wants this as a starting point and also wants to disaggregate the original data because it is impossible to know how many Indigenous students are in the District since it is reported under "other." She also wants to partner with local tribes to build relationships and let children know Indigenous people are not something of the past but are something of the present. Board Member Bishop added that she created this [Land Acknowledgement] in conjunction with a Native American educator who assisted her with the language. She said it was passed to a committee and has been dropped a couple of times so she requested to have the language approved at the meeting as a starting point of honoring the Indigenous People in the District and in the area.

Board Member Fernandez asked why this was previously dropped. He also clarified the language was developed with one other [person]. Board Member Bishop confirmed she worked with Rincon Tribal Educator Ami Admire.

Clerk Tamayo said he agrees on principle that the Land Acknowledgement is a great start. However, he said doing this just to do this and fill a check mark does not serve a purpose. He added if this is going to be done to educate people about the real meaning of Land Acknowledgement he recommended sending it back to the committee to have the language that they agree upon. He said the language is very different from what he saw at San Diego State. The San Diego County Office of Education has a whole program around Land Acknowledgement. He said as a person of color, he would not want to impose on other people how they should be honored. They should tell us how we can honor their existence, recognize the value they bring to society.

Vice President Bunker said it would be helpful to get the information about our community and what it looks like. She also said the time it would take at the meetings is another factor and does not agree with this [reading the Land Acknowledgement].

President Ugarte said she was part of the committee and clarified this was not dropped. She explained that Dr. Escobedo had reached out to San Diego State's ethnic studies department and did not receive a response prior to his leaving. President Ugarte looked at the San Diego County Office of Education's Land Acknowledgement and started researching. When Dr. Escobedo retired, all the policy committee meetings were cancelled, however, Mr. Esquivel has reinstated these. She would like to finish the process and have it brought to the Board as a first read, second read, and make sure there is collaboration with partners San Diego State University and San Diego County Office of Education. There needs to be respect for the process as well as the Land Acknowledgement and our community members.

Vice President Bunker shared as a third-grade teacher, she did a lot of work on Kumeyaay traditions and suggested training and getting materials from local tribes and make sure third-grade classes get this instruction.

Board Member Bishop said in visiting schools she was able to see the lessons Vice President Bunker referred to. Board Member Bishop said the important thing to her is the relationship, not just with San Diego County Office of Education or San Diego State University, but direct relationships with tribal members so there can be opportunities to update curriculum as needed, but also seeing the person in the flesh, not a dead race. She said it is important to establish these relationships. She requested when there is a review process to reach out to Kumeyaay tribal representation and have those voices in the room. Each Land Acknowledgement should be different because it is supposed to be created in conjunction with local tribes and if done the right way it should be different and have its own voice. Board Member Bishop wants this back on the front burner and said it is important especially during Native American Indian Heritage month to acknowledge this is not just history it is present. It is about creating

relationships and reaffirming the Land Acknowledgement at each meeting.

President Ugarte said it is important to have input from the Native American community and sharing information with the committee will help develop the relationship and get input from them.

Clerk Tamayo added the county did a lot of work with different tribes and would be a good resource on who to contact.

President Ugarte asked if there was a motion. There was no motion. President Ugarte said it will be taken to the Policy Committee and to keep it in the forefront.

President Ugarte called a short break at 10:10 P.M. and meeting reconvened at 10:18 P.M. Following the break, President Ugarte asked for a motion to extend the meeting due to the number of items still left to get through. A motion was made by Clerk Tamayo to extend the meeting to 11 P.M. and second by Board Member Bishop. Vote was unanimous.

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

First and Second Readings

None.

11. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS/REPORTS

Information Items/Reports

A. Report Calendar to Board of Education

Board Member Bishop said there are two pediatric doctors who approached her during office hours and volunteered to do a Town Hall presentation/info session Q&A on vaccines for 5- to 11-year-olds.

Clerk Tamayo asked for clarification on whether she wanted to schedule a Town Hall or have the District meet with the doctors to see if this was viable. Board Member Bishop said a Town Hall where the doctors will answer questions.

Vice President Bunker said a Town Hall would be good but to have someone from the county and not a parent. Mr. Esquivel said Mr. Romero could reach out to a safety person at the county. Mr. Romero said Dr. Sayone had done presentations for large districts and agreed that an educational Town Hall on vaccines would be beneficial.

Board Member Bishop requested presentations from District Equity Committee and Social Justice Committee members grouped together about what Critical Race Theory [CRT] is and what it is not; how does the Board Equity Policy work and what does it look like in our schools. Board Member Bishop added Principal Shawna Codrington suggested this might be helpful to have these presentations. Vice President Bunker brought up an equity report is scheduled for February and could that be combined. Discussion continued about having these as presentations at a Board meeting or a Town Hall. Regarding the Equity Policy, Dr. Tessier reminded the Board there

currently was not an Equity Director but hoped to have one soon. Board Member Bishop felt there were people in the District who could lead the presentation. Mr. Romero added CRT is a hot topic and was concerned that people who may or may not be experts would be speaking on this topic. It was suggested to have Dr. Wood from San Diego State University help with this. Board Member Bishop said her intent was to have this guided by the Social Justice Committee. She said a Town Hall is the right way to go and then have a review at the Board Meeting that follows the Town Hall. Dr. Tessier clarified a Dr. Wood Town Hall to have a back and forth and the Equity Board presentation scheduled for February. Board Member Bishop confirmed.

Vice President Bunker asked in the Physical Education report [scheduled for December] to include information on obesity and if the District still measures it and how the District is doing.

12. RECESS TO CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC FACILITIES FINANCING CORPORATION

Public Facilities Financing Corporation

President Ugarte adjourned to the Chula Vista Elementary School District Public Facilities Financing Corporation meeting at 10:30 P.M.

CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC FACILITIES FINANCING CORPORATION

AGENDA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Ugarte called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 10:30 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Ms. Lucy Ugarte, Chairperson
Mr. Oscar Esquivel, President
Mrs. Theresa Villanueva, Assistant Secretary
Mrs. Theresa Villanueva, Chief Financial Officer

Members Absent: None

Others Present:

Ms. Kate Bishop
Mrs. Leslie Bunker
Mr. Cesar Fernandez
Mr. Francisco Tamayo
Mr. Jason Romero, Asst. Supt., Human Resources

Dr. Matthew Tessier, Asst. Supt., Innovation and Instruction

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEM *Administrative Action Item* **2021-22.049**

A. Adopt Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Chula Vista Elementary School District Public Facilities Financing Corporation Appointing Officers and Taking Related Action in Connection Therewith

President Esquivel said with the recent change in the president and vice president of the Chula Vista Elementary School District, the Public Facilities Financing Corporation is requesting a change to its Vice Chair and Chair positions as follows: Lucy Ugarte, President, to be Chair and Leslie Ray Bunker, Vice President, to be Vice Chair.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: TAMAYO, Vote: UNANIMOUS

3. ADJOURNMENT OF CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC FACILITIES FINANCING CORPORATION MEETING *Adjournment*

Chairperson Ugarte adjourned the meeting 10:32 P.M.

13. RECONVENE TO CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING *Board of Education Meeting*

President Ugarte reconvened to the Chula Vista Elementary School District Board of Education meeting at 10:32 P.M.

14. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS *Board Communications*

Ms. Bishop:

- Shared an update from the CSBA [California School Boards Association] recent meeting on how the federal infrastructure bill will affect schools, such as clean energy funding, funding to get lead out of water systems, and broadband internet access.
- Clarified that the social media post attributed to her earlier during comments was false and she has apologized for the things she wrote and the meme is nothing she said. She added she is a Christian woman and would not talk like that.
- Shared she will be attending the California School Boards Association Annual Education Conference and will not have Office Hours the first Friday of December. She will have Office Hours appointments only on December 10 between 6-8 P.M.

Mr. Fernandez:

- Thanked staff and leadership of the schools he visited, Harborside, Lauderbach, Cook, Discovery [Charter], and Arroyo Vista [Charter]. Had amazing discussions and saw amazing instruction. Very strong STEAM programs, robotics, sports, trophies won. Had

tough conversations around unsheltered populations, and transitions in leadership are reaching stability at some of the sites.
- Thanked Dr. Tessier and Michael Bruder for taking him on a tour of the Innovation Stations.
- Working with ESSC staff, Ms. Teahan and Ms. Vargas, to set up office hours.

Mr. Tamayo:

- Wished staff a nice break and encouraged everyone to disconnect, spend time with family, and take time for yourself.

Ms. Bunker:

- Wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and is most grateful for the community around the District.

Ms. Ugarte:

- Thanked Lani Perez and Rochelle Carroll for meeting with her and going over the Smarty Ants.
- Thanked Mr. Esquivel for the tour of the ESSC and said everyone was welcoming and kind.
- Hopes people reflect on what they are grateful for and acknowledge that.

15. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATION

Interim Supt.'s Communication

Mr. Esquivel:

- Thanked certificated, classified, ESSC staff, the Board, and Cabinet, and wished everyone a great Thanksgiving and is grateful for all we have.

16. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

President Ugarte adjourned to closed session at 10:38 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 Discipline/ Dismissal/Release

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation in Office of Administrative Hearings, Case No. 2021070440 for Student No. 308185

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation in Office of Administrative Hearings, Case No. 2021080257 for Student No. 443914

17. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Open Session

President Ugarte reconvened to open session at 11:15 P.M. with all Board Members present.

Clerk Tamayo announced that in closed session, the Board:

Approved a settlement agreement in Office of Administrative Hearings, for Case No. 2021070440 for Student No. 308185

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

Approved a settlement agreement in Office of Administrative Hearings, for Case No. 2021080257 for Student No. 443914

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

18. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

President Ugarte adjourned the meeting at 11:18 P.M.

Motion: BISHOP, Second: FERNANDEZ

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

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2021, AT 6 P.M.

Oscar Esquivel, Interim Secretary

Francisco Tamayo, Clerk