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MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting
August 11, 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 Bishop called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Ms. Kate Bishop, President
Ms. Lucy Ugarte, Vice President
Mr. Francisco Tamayo, Clerk
Mrs. Leslie Ray Bunker, Member

Members Absent:
None.

Others Present:
Dr. Francisco Escobedo, Superintendent
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
Mr. Anthony Millican, Director, Communications and Community Development
Mrs. Mayela Couturier, Translator/Interpreter
Mrs. Nancy Teahan, Asst. to the Supt. and Board of Education
Mrs. Araceli Vargas, Administrative Assistant II

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Clerk Tamayo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVE AGENDA (Action)

Approve Agenda

Prior to approval, President Bishop requested to move 10.B., COVID-19 Status Update, after 3.B., Presentation on Superintendent Search Proposed Timeline

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: UGARTE, Vote: UNANIMOUS

3. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, ORAL PRESENTATIONS, WRITTEN REPORTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

*Presentations/
Awards*

President Bishop introduced Itzel Maganda Chavez from Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez's office who presented Dr. Escobedo with a resolution from the State of California honoring his accomplishments, achievements, and educational career.

Principal Leads Marissa Allan, Melody Belcher, and Veronica Konkoly shared memories of working with Dr. Escobedo and how his service, commitment, and dedication influenced their leadership. Ms. Konkoly ended with a quote, "If your actions leave a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, then you are an excellent leader."

On behalf of the Education Service and Support Center staff, Instructional Services and Support Director Rochelle Carroll presented a video of memories of Dr. Escobedo from over the years.

On behalf of the Board, President Bishop presented gifts to Dr. Escobedo and a group photo was taken with Board members, Cabinet, and office staff.

Dr. Escobedo shared it had been a privilege to lead this amazing District and went on to highlight how leaders have grown, the amazing groups he has worked with including teacher leaders, parent groups, his cabinet, and the Board. He added he is confident that everyone will make the best choices because of the students. He also shared when he goes into classrooms, he sees himself in the eyes of the children and to never lose that because these children are the most valuable assets we have. In them there is hope and dreams to be made and we are the caretakers of those hopes and dreams. He said we could either create a nightmare of those hopes and dreams or create a reality that is a utopia. We are the caretakers. He left everyone with the task to create something better. He said the spirit of being a servant leader needs to continue. He was humbled by the acknowledgement and wished everyone the best.

A. Presentation of Newly Hired and Promoted Employees

Mr. Romero recognized Erika Gregg who was promoted to Associate Principal at Vista Square.

B. Presentation on Superintendent Search Proposed Timeline

President Bishop said there were three speakers for item 3.B. Parent David Bame asked if the speakers could be heard after the presentation. President Bishop then introduced Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Jason Romero who presented on the superintendent search proposed timeline. He shared he was very excited to put this timeline together. He reviewed the projected timeline of the superintendent search with an estimated start date for the new superintendent of January 1, 2022. The presentation included information on the search committee direction, timeline for input review and marketing, community and staff input, California mass marketing and recruiting, the review and selection of finalists, Board interviews with the finalists, and the finalist selection and job offer. After the presentation, President Bishop asked to hear from the people [those who filled out a request to be heard slip] before comments from Board members.

Parent Manny Rubio thanked Mr. Romero for laying out the process [for superintendent search] and shared concerns of not going through a formal process, as it sells the district short, and opens up for a lot of interpretation. He added there are several internal candidates that meet the requirements and would thrive in the position and said to keep the process transparent.

Former District Board Member Bertha J. Lopez shared it hurts to see the District and community deteriorating. She added children deserve the best as well as the community and staff and she hopes the Board will follow the right process and select the most qualified and competent superintendent. The children, community, and staff deserve the best.

Parent David Bame started by saying to Dr. Escobedo this would be his parting gift to him to get through this [oral communication] in less than three minutes. Mr. Bame said he would start with the word transparency and end with the word transparency. He thanked Assistant Superintendent Mr. Romero and team for the presentation and for being clear [with those in attendance at the Board meeting]. He added transparency is also informed by perception and that there is a lot of perception to deal with. He said it is how we deal together with what the community sees and what Mr. Romero sees and how he explains the facts, sciences, and statistics, and the transparent goals of this process. He suggested to listen to the District Advisory Committee (DAC) as a group because they are tasked with unduplicated students. He added if we care about our students, we have to care most intensively about the ones who face the greatest challenges and said there were three former DAC chairs in attendance. He said the Oversight Committee has its work cut out and suggested having a special [Board] meeting or an extended agenda item when the stakeholder input is ready to allow more public discussion because it gives the public something to respond to. He said he would talk about the Sweetwater angle in a later discussion about selecting a new Board member. He concluded by saying in this compressed calendar, it would be wonderful to have a new superintendent by January 1, but the conflict of interest question is

going to come up and it needs to be dealt with publicly and handled in a truthful, transparent way.

Board Member Bunker requested a copy of the timeline and appreciates the work Mr. Romero put into this. She said she liked the process and the flexibility. Mr. Romero added it is a 4-1/2 month process and is intentionally designed to not short change any part of the process.

Clerk Tamayo said he is happy the District has been selected to run this process. He requested to have DAC, South Bay Forum, YMCA, and LGBTQ groups from the community as part of the committee. He appreciated the timeline and requested a copy for further study. He said it will be important to select the right candidate who will build upon what Dr. Escobedo has built already. He liked the idea of advertising.

Vice President Ugarte agreed with Clerk Tamayo to bring in more community groups that are directly involved and she appreciated the work [that Mr. Romero has done].

President Bishop clarified the difference of the oversight committee vs. the selection committee. She said the oversight includes Board members, Mr. Romero, and Anthony Carlton, to make sure the selection committee has what they need to do their selection job. Mr. Romero added the oversight committee also reviews marketing materials. President Bishop asked to adjust the timeline to after August 25 until a new Board member was selected. There was further discussion about the roles of the oversight committee and the selection committee, keeping the process transparent and fair. President Bishop asked to have the input from Thoughtexchange and community groups be presented in a public meeting. She thanked Mr. Romero for the presentation and the work he has done and added to include stakeholders, the community groups mentioned, and town halls, for input.

Clerk Tamayo asked once applications start coming in to keep the names private and when packages are made for the subcommittee the names need to be kept confidential. In the initial process he asked that Mr. Romero be the only one who has access to the applicants' information. Mr. Romero guaranteed confidentiality. It was asked to have the names be removed from the applications through the initial round of screening.

President Bishop shared the ratios for the different representative groups and said the ratios, as they have been put together, are fair and balanced.

Board Member Bunker asked to have the oversight committee look over groups that were not included and make sure the groups are balanced. President Bishop shared there are five representatives from the parent groups: DAC president, DELAC president, PTA Council president, elected member from B-LAC, and an elected member from parents of children with special needs.

C. Presentation of the Multilingual English Learner Master Plan

Executive Director of Language Development and Instruction Lalaine Perez presented on the Multilingual English Learner Master Plan. Additional presenters included Chula Vista Educators (CVE) President Rosi Martinez, Resource Teacher Reina Galvez, and Veterans Associate Principal Claudia Aldrete. The presentation included information on stakeholder input, and the four key principles: (1) assets-oriented and needs-responsive schools; (2) intellectual quality of instruction and meaningful access; (3) system conditions that support effectiveness; and (4) alignment and articulation within and across systems. Ms. Perez ended the presentation with a quote from Maritere Bellas, "Multilingualism promotes culture. A culturally diverse child is better prepared to participate and compete in a global society." Board Members thanked the presenters and asked questions that were answered by Ms. Perez and the other presenters.

D. Report on Results of California School Dashboard Local Indicators

Dr. Tessier presented on the Local Indicators and shared that the local indicators give all districts and county offices of education the ability to self-assess on specific criteria. Dr. Tessier listed the four indicators the District is responsible for: Priority 1, Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean and Functional School Facilities; Priority 2, Implementation of State Academic Standards; Priority 3, Parent Engagement; and Priority 6, School Climate. Dr. Tessier said the District met all priorities, shared the self-reflection and evaluation tools, and explained how the District made the "met" determination. Dr. Tessier answered questions and Board President Bishop thanked Dr. Tessier for the report.

10.B. COVID-19 Status Update

President Bishop allowed public comments on this item before the presentation.

Parent and Physician David McClaskey addressed the need to help protect kids. He asked what policies there are to address the current increase in cases. He said virtual education should be increased for parents who are concerned.

CVE President Rosi Martinez shared the need for the best possible learning opportunities for students and best working conditions for staff. Concerns included masking not being enforced at sites, cleaning and disinfecting is not happening, extra custodial help is no longer at sites, and teachers having to ask for disinfecting supplies and do the cleaning themselves. Ms. Martinez asked Board members to take responsibility of students, staff, and the community at large and enforce the plan the District has laid out.

President Bishop said this item is more of a discussion item and asked Executive Director of Facilities Planning, Risk Management, and Legal Services Anthony Carlton to answer questions from the Board. Board Member Bunker asked to find out if the corrections can

be made to the schools so kids can stay in school. Mr. Carlton shared part of the Injury and Illness Prevention Plan is for [staff] to first reach out to principal, if the principal is not listening then put the comments anonymous in Let's Talk or reach out to Dr. Stone or Mr. Carlton immediately so they are aware of the problem right away.

Clerk Tamayo said the Delta Variant is increasing and asked what the District is doing to mandate vaccines (per governor's position)? Mr. Carlton replied that Mr. Romero has reached out to CVE and CVCEO on the best way to jointly create messaging to staff regarding mandate on vaccination or weekly testing. Clerk Tamayo wants a plan to see if there are items not being followed, like wearing masks around children. He added hearing the District is low in supplies is concerning. Mr. Esquivel asked for the specific schools that need the supplies and added this should not be an issue. President Bishop asked that the District reach out to school principals and ask what supplies are needed and that distribution be immediate. Clerk Tamayo said it needs to be clear from the District office that wearing masks is mandatory, no exceptions rule and that we need to go above and beyond to protect the children. President Bishop received feedback from teachers and added that with Delta Variant it can exist in the nose and throat of someone who is vaccinated and asked that the requirement be tightened to say masks need to be on while on campus. If a person is eating or drinking, they may take off the mask. There was a discussion about requesting proof of vaccination and what the impact would be especially for large enrollment schools. Board Member Bunker said it is easiest and most effective to have everyone wear masks.

Clerk Tamayo said another concern brought to him was the Decision Tree and that it is too complex. He asked if there is a better way to create a Decision Tree that works in the District and does not allow a lot of the gray areas. Mr. Carlton shared there is a one-page slide that was presented to principals and is a simplification of a four-page document [Decision Tree]. There was further discussion regarding different COVID scenarios and the Decision Tree.

Vice President Ugarte said safety of students is most important and asked about the work increase for nurses and health clerks. Mr. Carlton said the nurses and attendance health secretaries have been amazing in helping with this task and the portion of reporting to the County Health and Human Services Agency is done by centralized staff. Mr. Romero added they are in the process of recruiting additional contact tracers. After meeting with CVCEO, it was agreed to forgo the mandate to have substitutes replace permanent staff and allow substitutes to be had and acquired for interim needs. Mr. Esquivel added they contacted partners with the City of Chula Vista to provide additional staff for tracing and possibly for vaccinations and also Sharp Healthcare. The District is looking at different avenues not only internally, contractors and classified, but external support as well.

President Bishop asked about testing and said there was discussion about biweekly testing at school sites and that you had to opt in. She said as a parent, she has not seen anything. Mr. Carlton said they are trying to ramp up testing, but it had been difficult getting additional testers.

Clerk Tamayo said there was mention of cutting custodial staff from levels pre-pandemic. Mr. Esquivel said they are looking at adding additional custodial staff at all the school sites. Clerk Tamayo said the cleaning protocol needs to be continued. Regarding the nurses' office there was discussion of having a separate location to house students who have [COVID] symptoms so as not to be in the same room with other students. Mr. Carlton said he will confirm with all sites that there are isolation areas (separate from the health office). Clerk Tamayo asked about bringing back safety committees and to report in a Friday update. He asked that each site have a safety committee.

Vice President Ugarte said she want to make sure safety measures and guidelines are the same across the District and not left up to individual sites. The other concern is teachers and students who do not feel safe and are afraid to say anything for fear of retribution. She said if *Let's Talk* is used, the communications need to be read on a regular basis. President Bishop said there is very little difference from school to school in terms of a safety protocol. She said there needs to be strong centralized guidelines and would like to have a Town Hall with staff and teachers to make sure the guidelines are clear. She also asked about the specifics of PCR testing, manufacturer, and type. Mr. Carlton said he would get that information and President Bishop asked to have it posted on the website.

Regarding a concern for quicker drop-off at schools, President Bishop said there was a suggestion for staggering start times or locations. Mr. Esquivel said there are specific start times for transportation routes.

President Bishop asked for an on-line check-in between teacher and students who are home for the 10 days. She also asked that students who line up for recess inside need to keep their masks on until they are outdoors.

President Bishop asked about the Virtual Academy and if it is full. As the number of COVID cases increases, more parents are asking about the Virtual Academy. Dr. Tessier shared the academy is full and as the need happens, they will hire more staff. Clerk Tamayo asked how the District is advertising that if there is a demand for the Virtual Academy the District would open more classrooms? Dr. Tessier said he usually receives communications through *Let's Talk* about the Virtual Academy and works with Mr. Morello.

Clerk Tamayo said it would be good for Mr. Morello to send parents a communication that the application window is still open.

Clerk Tamayo also asked about substitutes and COVID and the campaign. Mr. Romero said the District has had the lowest number

of unfilled rates. He shared there are 400 site sub applicants and will encourage principals to act quickly.

Clerk Tamayo asked that the Decision Tree be sent to the Board and shared at the next Board meeting and to staff. President Bishop asked that it be sent to parents

President Bishop shared she reviewed the COVID page on the website and the FAQs need to be updated, specifically Hybrid/In-Person. Mr. Carlton said he will take care of that and added he is so thankful for the healthcare workers and not deaf to the difficulties they face. He said decisions are not made in isolation. He asked for the parent community to support the District when decisions are made. Board members thanked Mr. Carlton.

4. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

*Communications
to the Board*

A. Chula Vista Classified Employees Organization
None.

B. Chula Vista Educators

President Rosi Martinez started by thanking and acknowledging Mr. Carlton and how much he is appreciated and valued for the tireless work he does. Regarding the Decision Tree, she asked that staff making decisions to send students home or not to send students home, have the appropriate training. Regarding modified quarantine there needs to be clarification for students still left on campus. The understanding is they are to be isolated from other students but that is not what is happening in all situations. Safety has been a challenge with the opening of school and she was glad to hear there are so many applicants for the substitute situation. She spoke on the impact the shortage of subs has had on staff and the lack of preparations from the District. She thanked the Board for [approving] the campaign to attract more substitutes. She asked the Board to direct the District to include [CVE] voices to continue to advocate for students and for [CVE] members and their safety.

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 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. 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.

- Attendance/Health Specialist Barbara Poukkula regarding a request made at the June Board meeting to get full-time nurses at the schools.
- Community Member Rosalba Ponce regarding selection process of Board and Superintendent vacancies.
- Parent Maira Miranda regarding Decision Tree and PCR testing.
- Parent Sophia Canedo regarding concerns on COVID-19, safety, and communication.
- Parent Scott Andersen spoke to Dr. Escobedo, shared concerns on Board member vacancy, and superintendent search.
- Parent Jesse V. addressed concerns of other staff regarding Welcoming Schools curriculum and fear of losing jobs.
- Debra addressed the lack of communication around Welcoming Schools curriculum and conflicting information and spoke on COVID issues.
- Manny Rubio regarding the appointment process and rumors.
- Former Board Member Bertha Lopez regarding CAFE's appreciation for Dr. Escobedo.
- Parent David Bame thanked Dr. Escobedo and addressed the selection process for new Board member and superintendent.
- Parent Jaqueline Gonzalez regarding Virtual Academy.
- Former Board Member Armando Farías regarding superintendent's departure.

President Bishop called a five-minute break and meeting reconvened at 9:55 PM.

Prior to approval of the consent calendar, President Bishop asked for a motion to extend the meeting for one more hour.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

6. 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, President Bishop pulled Items 6.A., 6.J., and 6.N.

Motion: UGARTE, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

- A. Adopt Board of Education Meeting Minutes: Special and Regular Meetings July 14, 2021, Special Meeting July 26, 2021, and Emergency Meeting August 4, 2021

President Bishop asked that the minutes of July 26 and August 4 reflect Francisco Tamayo as Clerk and Lucy Ugarte as Vice President.

Motion: BUNKER, Second: TAMAYO, Vote: UNANIMOUS

- B. Approve and/or Ratify Human Resources Items A Through L **2021-22.013**
- C. Adopt Revised Schedule of Regular Board of Education Meetings for the Remainder of Calendar Year 2021
- D. Adopt Resolution in Support of the Importance of Gun Safety and Safe Firearm Storage **2021-22.014**
- E. Ratify Nonpublic, Nonsectarian Individual Services Agreement with The Institute for Effective Education for Student No. 306192 for the 2021-22 School Year
- F. Approve the 2021-22 Consolidated Application
- G. Approve Purchase Contract with QuaverEd, Inc. for District Licenses for the Period of August 12, 2021, Through June 30, 2022
- H. Approve Agreement with Family Health Centers of San Diego for Mobile Medical Unit Services for the Period of September 1, 2021, Through June 30, 2022
- I. Adopt Resolution of the Governing Board of the Chula Vista Elementary School District Requesting Temporary Transfer of Funds **2021-22.015**
- J. Adopt and Approve Educational Specifications for Proposed Elementary School in Otay Ranch Village 2, Site 2 (School Site No. 48)

President Bishop asked for clarification on the following items:

Page 293: net unhoused students (3,796). Mr. Esquivel explained it is the difference between the projected seats available and students. It is part of the Educational Specifications that are needed to provide for new school funding.

Page 295: why food service staff are itinerant. Mr. Esquivel explained they are not itinerant in respect to permanency of individual staff. He added they are all District employees and it may be itinerant in that they move from one location to another at various times depending on the number of lunches/meals served. He added this is required by federal law as far as meals per labor hour and you cannot be overstaffed. The Federal government audits that.

Page 301: science instruction space and what kind of science-specific things would be within those spaces. Mr. Esquivel said it is similar to some of the innovation station labs included at Muraoka. It will depend on site principals and Instructional Services what area they will specify for that. It would be collaboration between principals and staff.

High indoor air quality and does that mean we start with MERV 13? Mr. Esquivel said yes, that would be the expectation the units would be built to support that in addition to outdoor activities.

Page 306: why is solar not listed on utilities. Mr. Esquivel said it will be and found it is more economical to put solar on the outside like ENGIE services, but it is also built-in infrastructure as far as the wiring.

Page 315: do the classrooms have windows that open. Mr. Esquivel said he will need to check on that specific room and location, but most do have windows that open.

Motion:; TAMAYO, Second: UGARTE, Vote: UNANIMOUS

- K. Adopt Resolution Designating September 2021 as *National Preparedness Month* in the Chula Vista Elementary School District **2021-22.016**
- L. Adopt Resolution Declaring September 2021 as *Attendance Awareness Month* in the Chula Vista Elementary School district **2021-22.017**
- M. 1) Authorize Designated Personnel of the Chula Vista Elementary School District to Execute Documents on Behalf of the District for Fiscal Year 2021-22; and
- (2) Adopt Resolutions Authorizing Designated Agents of the Chula Vista Elementary School District to Act on Behalf of the District for Fiscal Year 2021-22 **2021-22.018 – 2021-22.024**
- N. Ratify Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Chula Vista for School Resource Officer Services for the 2021-22 School Year
- President Bishop asked for a definition of proactive intervention services. Dr. Tessier responded all the SROs get training set by the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and training. They also get additional training on many different de-escalation strategies they learn through additional trainings.
- Item 11: why do SROs attend parent conferences. Dr. Tessier responded SROs might attend at the request of a teacher, a concern there might be an aggressive parent and the teacher asks for support, a parent might ask due to a custody issue, or a situation where a parent is in a battered women's shelter and is asking for support.
- Item 18: President Bishop asked why LGBTQ is not listed? Mr. Esquivel said it can be reflected.
- President Bishop shared her concern with the amount being paid and the increases over the years. During 2020-21 there were no students in schools for most of the year and there was a \$61,000 raise. There was a total raise of \$119,000 over three years and amounts to a 29% raise. President Bishop requested there be a request in the MOU to have a public presentation regarding price increases on the cost of the program each year when they renew the MOU.

Vice President Ugarte agreed the public should know how the money is being spent. In times of budget cuts, there needs to be a clear understanding of why this money is more important. She also said there should be a presentation for the public.

Clerk Tamayo added part of the increase went to additional services for homelessness and just that costs are going up in general. He agreed to an annual review of why costs are going up.

There was further discussion regarding not having the SROs bring their guns on campus, uniform options, and an annual report on the demographics of the children the SROs interact with.

Clerk Tamayo made a motion to approve the MOU with the City of Chula Vista for School Resource Officer Services for the 2021-22 school year with modifications as follows: requesting the School Resource Officers wear more casual uniforms; the data for demographics be kept on every interaction, and for an annual public presentation about the program including price increases.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: UGARTE, Vote: UNANIMOUS

O. Approve Award of Bid No. 21/22-2 for Replacement Air Purification Filters to Fisher Scientific, LLC, for the Period of August 12, 2021, through August 11, 2022

P. Ratify Purchase Orders, Warrants, and Checks Written/Issued Through July 30, 2021 **2021-22.025**

Q. Approve and/or Ratify Inservice/Travel Requests **2021-22.026**

7. 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. 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. (1) Conduct Public Hearing Regarding Establishment of Community Facilities District No. 21, Levy of Special Taxes, and Related Matters; and

(2) Adopt Resolution of the Board of Education of the Chula Vista Elementary School District Continuing the Public Hearing Regarding **2021-22.027**

Establishment of Community Facilities District No. 21, Levy of Special Taxes, and Related Matters

President Bishop opened the public hearing and asked if there were any comments. No comments were received for this item. Mr. Esquivel said during its meeting on June 16, 2021, the Board adopted the resolution stating the intent to form CFD No. 21 the property over Village 8 West in Otay Ranch Development; and another resolution stating the intent that CFD No. 21 shall be authorized to incur bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$60,000,000.00. He went on to explain the purpose of CFD No. 21 will be to provide special tax funding for school facilities as needed as a result of the development in Village 8 West. Such funding can be used directly to pay costs of school facilities or can be used to finance costs of school facilities by the issuance of bonds or other securities. The District's typical past practice has been to use special taxes to pay for debt on the certificates of participation. Mr. Esquivel said on July 14 the Board approved CFD No. 21 Mitigation Agreement with developer. Although the District initially intended the Board to take additional steps at this meeting to form CFD No. 21 the District determined additional time was necessary to coordinate and conduct the election of the owners within CFD No. 21. The District recommended the Public Hearing be continued to the next Board meeting on September 15, 2021 through adoption by the Board of a resolution of continuance. Since the Public Hearing will resume at the September 15 Board meeting the Board did not close the meeting. Also, because the Public Hearing was called for the August 11 meeting the Board should provide the opportunity for testimony prior to adopting the resolution for continuance. President Bishop asked Board members if they had any questions for Mr. Esquivel regarding the need for continuance and she also asked if there were any speakers present who wished to speak on support of or opposition to the establishment of CFD No.21. There were no speakers. A motion was made to approve the continuance of the Public Hearing to the September 15 Board meeting.

Motion:; TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

B. (1) Conduct Public Hearing;

(2) Accept Public Comments by the Chula Vista Elementary School District Regarding the Investigation Results of the Preliminary Environmental Assessment for Millenia Lot 16 School Site, Parcel Number 643-060-36;

(3) Forward All Public Comments Received on the Preliminary Environmental Assessment for Millenia Lot 16 School Site to the Department of Toxic Substances Control for Consideration; and

(4) Request a No Further Action Determination on the Preliminary Environmental Assessment for Millenia Lot 16 School Site from the Department of Toxic Substances Control

President Bishop asked if there were any speakers and there were none for this item. She opened the public hearing. Mr. Esquivel said the District anticipates a future school in the Millenia Otay Ranch development area and asked for a preliminary environmental assessment in order to receive approval from the California Department of Education. The preliminary environmental assessment has been completed and the assessment states there is no further action needed and as a result the information from the environmental assessment can be forwarded to the California Department of Education.

President Bishop closed the public hearing.

Motion: BUNKER, Second: UGARTE, Vote: UNANIMOUS

8. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEMS

*Administrative
Action Items*

A. (1) Review of the 2021-22 State Budget; and

Interim Executive Director of Finance Theresa Villanueva reviewed changes in the 2021-22 state budget since the May revise. Changes shared included the Local Control Funding Formula Concentration Grant portion increase from 50% to 65% amounting to a \$1.1 million revenue increase; Special Education Revenue includes a 4.05% cost of living adjustment amounting to a \$2.2 million revenue increase; and school employer unemployment rate went from 1.23% to .50% resulting in a \$924,000 expenditure decrease. The \$1.1 million revenue increase will be part of the Local Control and Accountability Plan annual update that will be presented to the Board by February 28, 2022. Ms. Villanueva provided a summary of the 2021-22 one-time state budget restricted funding, an update on the enrollment and the estimated Local Control Funding Formula revenue loss due to Average Daily Attendance loss; revised budget multiyear Average Daily Attendance projections; 2021-22 General Fund budget summary; 2021-22 General Fund proposed budget for unrestricted and restricted allocation; multiyear projection through 2023-24; revised budget through 2023-24; multiyear assumptions for 2021-22, and items the District is watching. Ms. Villanueva answered questions from the Board.

(2) Approve Revisions to the 2021-22 District Adopted Budget

2021-22.028

Motion: BUNKER, Second: TAMAYO, Vote: UNANIMOUS

B. (1) Approve Renewal of Two-Year Terms for Members of the Chula Vista Elementary School District Independent Citizens Oversight Committee;

Mr. Esquivel said there are two actions. One is to renew six of the members to serve another two years on the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee and he named the candidates:

- Jolyn DePriest – Business community.
- Jason Hurtado-Prater – At-large representative.
- Martha Juarez – Parent active in School Site Council.
- Nancy Kerwin – Senior Citizens Organization.
- Benjamin Lien – Parent active in PTA.
- Gloria McKearney – San Diego County Taxpayers Association.

Motion: BUNKER, Second: BISHOP, Vote: UNANIMOUS

(2) Appoint New Members to the Chula Vista Elementary School District Independent Citizens Oversight Committee

Board Members received a packet of information regarding ICOC applicants and Mr. Esquivel provided instruction on the vote. President Bishop asked to have reflected in the minutes that Heather Rubio was present to speak and was not able to stay. Before voting, Board Members asked questions that were answered by Mr. Esquivel.

After the vote was tallied, President Bishop read the names of the new members appointed to the Chula Vista Elementary School District Independent Citizens Oversight Committee:

- Diane Deugan
- Heather Rubio
- Laurence J. Strong
- Minnie Tandy

Motion: BUNKER, Second: BISHOP, Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

First and Second Readings

A. First Reading: Proposed Revisions to Administrative Regulation 6174, Instruction, Education for English Learners

President Bishop introduced Dr. Tessier who shared the first proposed revision to Administrative Regulation 6174 had to do with the reclassification/redesignation of English Learners to fluent English proficient. The only modification was changing the kindergarten and first grade Local Measure reading proficiency to Smarty Ants - met/exceeded.

Dr. Tessier answered questions from the Board. President Bishop said this was an information item and no action required. Dr. Tessier added the Board did have the option of a first reading to approve or a first reading and bring it back as a second reading for approval. President Bishop asked for a motion to approve.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER, Vote: UNANIMOUS

B. First Reading/Revise: Proposed Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6158, Instruction, Independent Study Program

Dr. Tessier said the proposed revision was a first read and an approval in order to be in compliance with the most recent law under AB [Assembly Bill] 130, Independent Study. He added the Board approved the first revision of this Board Policy to comply with current law back on May 19 and now the Board Policy has been updated and revised to comply with current law.

Dr. Escobedo pointed out the time [11 P.M.], and that the meeting needed to be extended. There was a motion to extend the time for an additional 30 minutes.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: UGARTE, Vote: UNANIMOUS

Dr. Tessier answered questions from the Board regarding the Virtual Academy, independent study, and VAPA [Visual and Performing Arts] and PE [Physical Education] for the Virtual Academy.

Motion: BUNKER, Second: UGARTE, Vote: UNANIMOUS

10. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS/REPORTS

*Information
Items/Reports*

- A. Report Calendar to Board of Education
None.

11. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

*Board
Communications*

Ms. Bishop:

- Congratulated Dr. Escobedo.
- Thanked and gave a shout out to all the people who make the District move - everyone working together as a team. She added we are all partners in this and we will get to the other side.
- Honored to be at Camarena on the first day of school with Dr. Escobedo, [CVE President] Rosi Martinez, Assemblymember Akilah Weber, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond. She said it was an exciting moment for her and she had the opportunity to speak with Dr. Thurmond regarding IEPs and the Virtual Academy. Dr. Thurmond gave her some names of people to get in touch with and is in the process of following up regarding the challenges of parents with special needs children participating in virtual learning and keeping their kids safe.
- Thanked everyone for their patience with her as she continues to learn her new job.

Mrs Bunker:

- Congratulated Dr. Escobedo and welcomed him to the [retirement] club and thanked him for all he has done.

Ms. Ugarte:

- Echoed Trustee Bunker and congratulated Dr. Escobedo and hopes he will have a great new chapter on his journey.
- Acknowledged the hard-working staff in opening schools and the enthusiasm of the students for going back to learning. She added classified and certificated staff are doing an amazing job under the tremendously pressured circumstances.

Mr. Esquivel:

- Thanked all the students and families for coming back to school in person.
- Thanked all the staff at school sites for all the work they are doing.
- Thanked all the staff at the District Office for the long hours and the team effort on the part of everyone.
- Thanked Dr. Escobedo for all the support he has provided to employees and families and that he is a great role model for everyone and wished him well in retirement.

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATION*Superintendent's Communication***Dr. Escobedo:**

- Shared the importance of keeping focused in spite of challenges.
- Maintain the fiscal health for the organization.
- Said the District Office [staff] are running on fumes and there needs to be support for each other, be empathetic.
- Have great expectations and high hopes and be united with grace. He added this District is precious with great people and the future can be very bright.
- Thankful for the privilege of being a part of this school district, for seeing students flourish through VAPA [Visual and Performing Arts], Innovation Stations, professional development, and dual language programs. He added it has been a work of love and he leaves with a smile and a tear. He ended with do well, do good, be great.

13. CLOSED SESSION*Closed Session*

President Bishop adjourned to closed session at 11:15 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. 202104993 for Student No. 952814

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Conference with Legal Counsel
– Existing Litigation in Office of Administrative Hearings,
Case No. 2021050213 for Student No. 304184

14. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Open Session

President Bishop reconvened to open session at 11:25 P.M. with all Board Members present.

Vice President Ugarte announced that in closed session, the Board:

Approved a settlement agreement in Office of Administrative Hearings,
Case No. 202104993 for Student No. 952814

Motion: BUNKER, Second: BISHOP

Vote: Ayes: BISHOP, BUNKER, TAMAYO, UGARTE

Noes: NONE, Abstain: NONE

Approved a settlement agreement in Office of Administrative Hearings,
Case No. 2021050213 for Student No. 304184

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BUNKER

Vote: Ayes: BISHOP, BUNKER, TAMAYO, UGARTE

Noes: NONE, Abstain: NONE

15. ADJOURNMENT

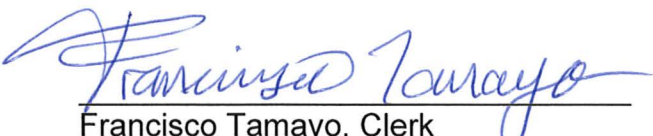
Adjournment

President Bishop adjourned the meeting at 11:27 P.M.

Motion: TAMAYO, Second: BISHOP, Vote: UNANIMOUS



Oscar Esquivel, Interim 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 15, 2021, AT 6 P.M.