

**REGULAR MEETING
OF BOARD OF EDUCATION**

MINUTES

June 13, 2012

The Regular meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by President Linda Garcia in the Boardroom at the District Office, 15110 California Avenue, Paramount, California.

Pledge of Allegiance	Ranita Browning, Director–Fiscal Services led the Pledge of Allegiance.	
Roll Call	Trustee Linda Garcia Trustee Vivian Hansen Trustee Alicia Anderson	Trustee Sonya Cuellar Trustee Tony Peña
Administrators Present	David J. Verdugo, Superintendent Michael Conroy, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services Myrna Morales, Assistant Superintendent-Human Resources Deborah Stark, Assistant Superintendent-Educational Services Ranita Browning, Director-Fiscal Services Kimberly Cole, Director-Special Education/ECE Cindy DiPaola, Director-Maintenance & Operations Randy Gray, Director-Curriculum & Instruction/Projects Troy Marshall, Director-Technology Jim Monico, Director-Student Services Manuel San Miguel, Director-Secondary/Alternative Education Jeff Bowers, Principal-Gaines School Greg Buckner, Principal-Paramount High School Morrie Kosareff, Principal-Paramount High School-West Richard Morgan, Principal-Paramount Adult School/CDS Pamela Williams, Principal-Lincoln School	
Approve Agenda June 13, 2012 1.142	Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the June 13, 2012 Board meeting agenda.	
Regular Meeting Minutes May 22, 2012 1.143	Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Anderson seconded and the motion carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 22, 2012.	

REPORTS

Employee Representatives' Reports	TAP President Deb Meyers understands that over the summer the Board will face challenging decisions but hoping that in August things will begin to look better and getting the initiatives passed. She was recently in Sacramento and visited with Legislatures and although things
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are challenging, it was a positive experience for her. She wished to thank the Board for their continued support.

No CSEA representative was present.

Board Member' Reports

Trustee Anderson attended the District's Annual Retirement & Service awards recognizing employees, she attended the PHS Awards night, Ad Hoc meeting with the City, the PTA monthly meeting and the Buena Vista High School Graduation.

Trustee Cuellar attended the Annual "Who" Dinner sponsored by TAP honoring teacher Jay Lamb and also attended the Buena Vista High School graduation.

Trustee Hansen attended the Music concert at Zamboni School and Paramount Park and is very proud of the talented students for their accomplishments. She also attended many of the events other Board members attended.

Trustee Garcia attended the PHS Awards night, the City Council meeting honoring PHS Gates Millennium Scholars, Lincoln School's third grade student performance, the PEP Pizza party in recognition of Hollydale School classroom and the Buena Vista High School graduation. She wished everyone a great summer.

Trustee Peña attended the District's Annual Retirement & Service awards recognizing employees, he attended the PHS Awards night, the STAR Principals dinner, the Wirtz School Art show and the Buena Vista High School Graduation.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Verdugo highlighted a variety of items:

- Superintendent Verdugo attended BTSA Colloquium.
- Dr. Verdugo attended the final ACSA Superintendents Council meeting in Sacramento for the year.
- He attended the District's Annual Retirement and Service awards reception. He thanked Dr. Morales and the Human Resources department for the organization of the event.
- Superintendent Verdugo also attended the Annual Senior Awards Night held in the new quad area.
- He also attended Annual Despierta Mujer event and presented the "Did You Know" video.
- Superintendent Verdugo also attended the monthly Ad Hoc meeting.
- He attended the final PTA Presidents meeting for the year.
- Superintendent Verdugo also visited Wirtz School for the meet and greet with the artist from Japan that has now produced the latest mural.

Superintendent wished to welcome Concordia University students who are in attendance as part of their class assignment, assigned by their instructor Dr. Michael Conroy..

Student Recognition – MESA

MESA (Math, Engineering, Science Achievement) is an organization whose mission is to provide middle and high school students with hands on science, math and engineering experience with the goal of inspiring them to pursue college studies in these subjects. The Board of Education members and Superintendent David Verdugo recognized the MESA students from Paramount High School, Paramount High School-West, Alondra School, Jackson School, Hollydale School, Paramount Park School, and Zamboni School on their successful performance at the regional competition this year. During this event, they competed against students from districts throughout Los Angeles County.

Student Recognition – PHS Boys' Tennis Team

Superintendent Verdugo and Board of Education welcomed and recognized the PHS Boys' Tennis Team for their recent San Gabriel Valley League Championship Title. The Tennis team coached by Coach Curtis Mu, has won this title four years in a row. Superintendent Verdugo and the Board of Education provided each player with a Certificate of Achievement for their Championship Title.

Transitional Kindergarten Update

Director, Dr. Randy Gray provided the Board with an update on Transitional Kindergarten by providing a summary of the work of the Transitional Kindergarten Task Force, present recommendations for the Transitional Kindergarten curriculum and outline next steps.

The Kindergarten Readiness Act established 2010 changed California's entry age for kindergarten from five years of age by December 2nd to September 1st. It phases in the new age requirement by moving the cutoff date one month each year for the next three years, beginning in the Fall of 2012. The Act also created Transitional Kindergarten (TK), the first year of a two year kindergarten program, which will serve as a bridge between preschool and traditional kindergarten. In 2012-13, students who will turn 5 between November 5 and December 2 are eligible for TK.

In 2012-13, TK will be offered at Roosevelt, Lincoln, and Gaines using the student's home school site for placement. Students participating in a TK program will return to their home school for kindergarten after completing a year of TK. Families register their child for TK by completing the student enrollment process at one of the TK sites. Transportation will not be provided.

The District Task Force reviewed programs to best prepare transitional kindergarten students for kindergarten using criteria that addressed a combination of the California Preschool Learning Foundations and the Language Arts, Mathematics and English Language Development Content Standards.

After conducting an in-depth review and analysis, the following programs and accompanying support materials are recommended for adoption and use in all transitional kindergarten classes: Language Arts

–Imagine It! PreK, Mathematics-Everyday Mathematics PreK, Kindergarten ELD- Language for Learning.

Oral language development should support development of complex language, thinking and vocabulary as an essential building block to literacy. Social-emotional development should include children's experiences, their expressions, management of emotions, and their ability to establish positive and rewarding relationships and interactions with others. Learning environment should be engaging, developmental and focused on growth toward mastery of kindergarten standards.

The District's next steps will include to provide professional development, curriculum development, provide a Principal's TK checklist and continue to monitor student enrollment.

Health & Welfare Survey Update

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Michael Conroy, shared that the Insurance Committee desired to survey District employees regarding current 100% PPO plan and therefore a sub-committee consisting of a TAP, CSEA Management/Confidential and District staff representatives convened to draft a survey. This draft survey was then presented to the Insurance Committee for discussion, refinement, and edits. The draft survey was edited several times based upon input from committee members to develop the final version.

The total number of health & welfare benefits-eligible employees is 1,133. Of this number, 1,047 employees participated in the survey (473 employees-Kaiser participants/569 employees-Blue Cross participants). There were a total number of 197 written comments received.

Dr. Conroy shared some examples of questions and response percentages and are reflected as follows:

- Interested in leaving Kaiser for PPO - 21%
- Interested in leaving PPO for Kaiser - 11%
- Satisfied with 100% PPO plan - 97%
- Willingness to pay higher contribution to keep 100% PPO plan– 70%
- Interested in changing to an 80% PPO plan with lower contributions than 100% plan - 16%
- Interested in changing to an 80% PPO plan with annual deductibles and annual out-of-pocket maximums – 11%
- Interested in dropping 100% PPO plan for lesser 80% plan? – 09%
- Willingness to change to 80% PPO with increased Rx copays – 15%
- Interested in leaving 100% PPO plan for 80% PPO plan knowing the 100% plan will never be offered again – 12%

Response trends based upon the survey results included:

- Overwhelming satisfaction of District employees with current 100% PPO Blue Cross plan (97%, #5)
- Overwhelming desire of District employees to keep current 100% PPO Blue Cross plan (avg. 87%, #7,#8, #9, #10, #11)
- Willingness of employees to pay higher employee contributions to keep 100% PPO plan (70%, #6)

Budget Update

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Michael Conroy provided the Board with a Budget update.

Dr. Conroy shared that the State's Budget Committee will be meeting with a goal of finalizing a vote on Friday. There is limited information and no trailer bill language available to the public at this time. The Education Budget Subcommittee provided a budget that is almost identical to the Governor's May Budget Revision. During the Assembly Budget Committee hearing, the Chair of the budget committee stated that the Legislature and the Governor agreed on 99% of the state budget and were only \$500 million apart in finalizing the state budget. The Assembly held an informational hearing to "publicly" share the general architecture of the budget. There was no vote on the budget or the plan, only sharing the foundation of the budget plan.

For 2012-13, the K-14 (Proposition 98) guarantee or spending level is essentially the same level proposed by the Governor in his May Revision, presuming passage of the Governor's tax initiative in November. The Governor proposed a \$441 per ADA reduction to K-12 revenue limit apportionment if the taxes fail, combined with restoration of all inter-year deferrals. Given other changes in the Assembly proposals, the overall programmatic trigger cuts to K-12 schools may increase. The Democrat proposal includes the authority of districts to reduce the school year by up to a combined total of 15 days in 2012-13 and 2013-14.

It is concerning that the overall level of cuts to K-14 spending remain the same. The same overall level of Prop. 98 trigger cuts would seem to indicate that the mid-year reduction to K-12 apportionments being proposed by Democrats may exceed the \$441 per ADA level proposed by the Governor in his May Revision. It also appears that the legislative Democrats resisted efforts to convert some of the deferral buy-down funding proposed by the Governor into actual "new spending" in the form of deficit reduction funding and/or COLA. These "new spending" efforts were strongly opposed by the Governor and it appears that the Democrats respected the Governor's concerns related to increasing operational spending prior to the November election.

The Assembly proposal modifies the Governor's May Revise mandate block grant proposal. The Assembly proposal is similar to the Governor's early mandate proposal that provides two option for mandates: 1) a block grant or 2) the existing mandate claiming process. The Assembly proposes the following: 1) establish a block grant for the majority of K-14 mandates, 2) suspend in 2012-13 those K-14 mandates that were suspended in 2011-12, 3) continue claiming process but require school districts, county offices of education, charter schools, or community college districts to choose annually to either claim or utilize the block grant.

The Transitional Kindergarten and Weighted Student Formula proposal rejects both the Governor's proposal to eliminate funding for the

Transitional Kindergarten program and the Governor's weighted student formula proposal. School funding will "maintain categorical and general purpose funding allocations per existing law".

The Assembly restores all funding to the Home-to-School Transportation program (as per May Revision) and maintains the program as a restricted categorical program, but does not make these funds flexible.

If the Senate conforms to the same overall level of Proposition 98 trigger cuts as proposed by the Assembly, the mid-year reduction to K-12 apportionments being proposed by Democrats will increase from \$441 per ADA level proposed by the Governor to as much as \$479 per ADA. This would be an additional mid-year cut of approximately \$560,000 to Paramount Unified School District.

BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

There were no changes to the Board meeting calendar but Superintendent Verdugo shared that there may be a need to change the July 11, 2012 Board of Education meeting.

HEARING SECTION

There were no speakers during the hearing section.

CONSENT ITEMS 0.144

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Consent Items.

Human Resources

Personnel Report
11-18
2.144

Accept Personnel Report 11-18, as submitted. The report includes details, assignments, terminations, and employment of personnel. Certain assignments listed in this report may be contingent upon allocation of funding in the 2011-12 State Budget Act and related legislation.

Educational Services

Consultant and Contract
Services
3.144

Approve the Consultant and Contract Service request authorizing contracts with consultants or independent contractors who provide specialized services, as submitted.

Memorandum of
Understanding with the City
of Paramount, Parks and
Recreation Department
3.144

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Paramount, Parks and Recreation Department to provide grounds supervision and supervised recreation for the Summer Food Service Program.

Memorandum of
Understanding with
California Women, Infants
and Children Supplemental
Nutrition Program
3.144

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the South Los Angeles Health Projects Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program for the 2012-13 school year.

Consultant Agreement with
Community Family

Approve the Consultant Agreement with Community Family Guidance Center to provide needed services to District-referred students and their

Guidance Center for the
2012-13 School Year
3.144

families for the 2012-13 school year.

Services Agreement with
the Los Angeles County
Sheriff's Department for a
School Resource Officer
3.144

Approve the Services Agreement with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for a School Resource Officer from July 1, 2012-June 30, 2017.

Business Services

Purchase Order Report
11-18
4.144

Approve Purchase Order Report 11-18, authorizing the purchase of supplies, equipment, and services for the District.

Donations
4.144

Accept the donations as presented on behalf of the District with any bequests or gifts of money or property for a purpose deemed to be suitable by the District.

Consultant Services
4.144

Accept the donations as presented on behalf of the District with any bequests or gifts of money or property for a purpose deemed to be suitable by the District.

Addendum Thirty-Three to
the Contract with Durham
Transportation
4.144

Accept Addendum Thirty-Three to the contract with Durham Transportation for the 2012-13 fiscal year, and further authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.

ACTION ITEMS

General Services

Revised Board Bylaw 9122
– Vice President/Clerk
1.145

Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to accept for the second reading and adopt revised Board Bylaw 9122 – Vice President/Clerk revised to include current information related to State and Federal law requirements and to conform to CSBA's suggested policies and regulations guidelines.

Human Resources

Student Teaching
Agreement with California
State University,
Dominguez Hills
2.146

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Approve the agreement with California State University, Dominguez Hills for participation in the Student Teaching Program.

Dietetic Internship
Agreement with Utah State
University
2.147

Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Peña Hansen, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the agreement with Utah State University for participation in community nutrition learning experiences for Dietetic Interns.

Educational Services

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| Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Students
3.148 | Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the updated Los Angeles County Plan for expelled students as a basic plan to address the needs of expelled students in Los Angeles County, as required by Education Code Section 48926. |
| Nonpublic School Placements for Special Education Students for the 2011-12 School Year
3.149 | Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the placements for special education students in nonpublic schools, as determined by the students' Individual Education Plan for the 2011-12 school year. |
| Residential and Nonpublic School Placements for Special Education Students, for the 2012-13 School Year
3.150 | Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the placements for special education students in a California State School and nonpublic schools, as determined by the students' Individual Education Plan for the 2012-13 school year. |
| Adopt and Authorize Purchase of Materials for English Language Arts CAHSEE Class
3.151 | Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adopt and purchase of Language Arts materials which will be used for CAHSEE summer and extended day classes. |
| Adoption and Authorization to Purchase Textbooks for Transitional Kindergarten Program
3.152 | Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adopt and authorize the purchase of new textbooks and supplementary materials for transitional kindergarten classrooms in the areas of language arts, mathematics and English language development. |
| <i>Arts for All</i> Residency Grant Program Application for the 2012-13 School Year
3.153 | Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the submission of the <i>Arts for All</i> Residency Grant Program application to support learning in the arts for all fourth grade students for the 2012-13 school year. |
| Application for the Carl D. Perkins Grant for the Grades 7-12 and Paramount Adult School 2012-13
3.154 | Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to ratify the submission of the Carl D. Perkins Grant application for grades 7-12 and Paramount Adult School for the 2012-13. |
| Revised Board Policy 6163.4 – <u>Student Use of Technology</u>
3.155 | Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to accept for second reading and adopt the proposed revised Board Policy 6163.4 – <u>Student Use of Technology</u> reflecting current District practice. |

Business Services

<p>Public Hearing on the Use of Tier III Categorical Flexibility 4.156</p>	<p>Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Conduct a Public Hearing to receive comments, as described in California Education Code 42605(c)(2), regarding the receipt of funds made flexible by this bill.</p> <p>Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to close the public hearing.</p>
<p>Approve the Use of Tier III Categorical Flexibility Funds 4.157</p>	<p>Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the projected usage of Tier III Categorical Funds for 2012-13 that are made flexible as described in California Education Code Section 42605.</p>
<p>Renewal of Agreement for Audit Services 4.158</p>	<p>Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the renewal of the agreement with Vicenti, Lloyd and Stutzman for professional audit services for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, through June 30, 2015.</p>
<p>Authorization to Make Appropriation Transfers 4.159</p>	<p>Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to authorize the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools to make appropriate transfers at the close of the 2011-2012 school year during the months of July and August.</p>
<p>Contract Renewal – Vernon Security Services 4.160</p>	<p>Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the contract renewal with Vernon Security Services for one year from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.</p>
<p>Extension of Right-of-Entry Permit and Indemnity Agreement with Metropolitan Transit Authority 4.161</p>	<p>Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Extension of the Right-of-Entry Permit and Indemnity Agreement with Metropolitan Transit Authority and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.</p>
<p>Resolution 11-47, Lease-Leaseback Construction Delivery Method for Measure AA for the Construction of the Hollydale K-8 School Mini-Gymnasium 4.162</p>	<p>Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve adopt Resolution 11-47, authorizing the execution and delivery of site leases and subleases and other acts relating to the construction of the Hollydale K-8 School Mini-Gymnasium and authorizing the Superintendent or designee to enter into a Construction Services Agreement, Site Lease and Sublease Agreement with McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.</p>
<p><u>New Board Policy 3110 – Transfer of Funds</u> 4.163</p>	<p>Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to accept for the second reading and adopt new Board Policy 3110- <u>Transfer of Funds</u>, which is updating and replacing Board Policy 3140 – <u>Transfer of Funds Between Categories: Amendments</u>, to conform to CSBA’s suggested policies and regulations guidelines.</p>
<p>Application for Safety Grant – Security Screens 4.164</p>	<p>Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to authorize staff to apply for a grant with the Alliance of Schools for Cooperative Insurance Programs (ASCIP) for security screens to</p>

provide additional security infrastructure at the Adult Education Center, the Alternative Education Center, Collins, Community Day School, the District Office, Gaines, Hollydale, Operations, Paramount High School, PHS-West Campus, Wirtz, and Zamboni Schools.

Bid Authorization – Student Nutrition Commodities
4.165

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to authorize staff to prepare bid specifications for bottled water and snacks/beverages for Student Nutrition Services. Authorize the Superintendent or designee to advertise, review, award, and execute all necessary documents to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s).

Field Service Contracts and Student Nutrition Services Supplies Renewal
4.166

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to authorize the renewal of field service contracts and Student Nutrition Services supplies, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.

CONFERENCE ITEMS

Educational Services

Revised Board Policy
6146.4 – High School Graduation Requirements

The Board accepted for first reading proposed revised Board Policy 6146.4 – High School Graduation Requirements which reflects the recent passage of Assembly Bill 1330.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Business Services

Revision of the Five-Year Deferred Maintenance Plan

The Board received as information the revised Five-Year Plan for submission to the Office of Public School Construction as required by Deferred Maintenance Program guidelines and designate the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services as the District representative.

Measure AA – California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)-Notice of Exemption for Hollydale K-8 School Mini-Gymnasium Project

The Board received as information update on the results of the Planning Center's study of the environmental impacts of constructing the Hollydale Mini-Gymnasium.

Measure AA -Change Order for Paramount High School – Phase V Modernization

The Board received as information update on Change Orders for Paramount High School – Phase V Modernization within the Guaranteed Maximum Price

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Garcia reported that the next Regular Meeting would be June 27, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. – Boardroom of the District Office.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:46 p.m. to discuss public employee discipline/dismissal/release, conference with labor negotiator and governance team items.

There was no action taken in Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 9:45 p.m. President Garcia reported that the Board had discussed employee discipline/dismissal/release, conference with labor negotiator and governance team items.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on June 13, 2012 at 9:46 p.m.

David Verdugo, Secretary
To the Board of Education

President

Vice President/Clerk