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REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

September 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Linda Garcia in the Boardroom at the District Office, 15110 California Avenue, Paramount, California.

- Pledge of Allegiance Margarita Rodriguez, Director-Research, Assessment & Student Information, led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call Trustee Linda Garcia Trustee Sonya Cuellar
 Trustee Vivian Hansen Trustee Tony Peña
 Trustee Alicia Anderson
- Administrators Present Ruth Pérez, Superintendent
 Ruben Frutos, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services
 Myrna Morales, Assistant Superintendent-Human Resources
 Ryan Smith, Assistant Superintendent-Secondary Educational Services
 Deborah Stark, Assistant Superintendent-Educational Services
 Daniel Aguilar, Director-Safety & Security
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 Cindy DiPaola, Director-Maintenance & Operations
 Greg Francois, Director-Secondary Education
 Renee Jeffrey, Director-K-5 School Support & Innovative Programs
 Scott Law, Director-Facilities and Project Management
 Margarita Rodriguez, Director-Research, Assessment & SIS
 Manuel San Miguel, Director-Student Services
 Beatriz Spelker-Levi, Director-Personnel
 Patricia Tu, Director-Fiscal Services
 Morrie Kosareff, Principal-Buena Vista High School
 Keith Nuthall, Principal-Specialized High School
 Mike Ono, Principal-Paramount High School
 Aaron Downing, Dean of Students-Paramount High School
- Approve Agenda Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded the motion.
September 11, 2017 Superintendent Pérez informed the Board that Consent Item 3.5-C and
1.273 Action item 3.11-A were being pulled from the agenda and would be
 brought back for a future meeting. The motion carried 5-0 to approve
 the agenda of the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2017 as
 amended.

Approve Regular Meeting
Minutes August 14, 2017
1.274

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Hansen and the motion carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 14, 2017.

Ayes: 4 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen
Abstention: 1 – Trustee Peña

REPORTS

Employee Representative
Reports

There was no representative present for CSEA.

TAP president April O'Connor shared that new teacher orientation was great. Association has had two bargaining sessions. She is looking forward to the first day of school for 2017-18.

Board Members' Reports

Trustee Anderson attended the monthly PTA Board meeting.

Trustee Cuellar welcomed everyone and had no report.

Trustee Garcia welcomed everyone. President Garcia attended the Tepic Sister Cities meeting and shared information on the upcoming Dia De los Muertos celebration. She attended the PHS Homecoming game and the City's Council meeting.

Trustee Hansen congratulated teachers for all the in service hours completed.

Trustee Peña attended the Lincoln and Tanner Back to School nights and the PHS Homecoming game.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Dr. Pérez highlighted the following:

- ❖ Superintendent Pérez attended the PHS Homecoming game.
- ❖ Dr. Pérez has visited the four schools impacted by the air quality and met with staff and provided a questions and answers opportunity for any questions staff had. She has also met with staff.
- ❖ Superintendent Pérez has also met with leadership at the California Department of Health regarding air quality.

Introductions

Aaron Downing

Aaron Downing received his Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Kinesiology from California State University, Long Beach.

Aaron served as a Teacher and Assistant Principal in Little Lake City School District. For the past year, Aaron has served as a Middle School Teacher in Lake Center Middle School in Little Lake City School District.

Aaron is known for being a hardworking and dedicated educator. He is poised and keeps a calm demeanor when working with students, teachers, and parents. He holds high expectations for his students and provides them with many opportunities to feel successful.

We welcome Aaron as the Dean of Students of Paramount High School.

Sara Higgins

Sarah Higgins received her Bachelor's Degree in Education and Human Sciences from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln and her Master's Degree in Special Education from California State University, Fullerton.

Sarah served as a Special Education Teacher in Garden Grove Unified School District and Lincoln Public School District in Nebraska. She served as a Special Education Teacher/Teacher In-Charge in Redondo Beach Unified School District. For the past three years, Sarah served as a Program Specialist/Administrator in Redondo Beach Unified School District.

Sarah has very strong interpersonal skills and is very knowledgeable in the legal aspects of Special Education. She is compassionate and has genuine interest for students.

The presentation in its entirety is available on the District website.

Every Student Succeeds Act

Renée Jeffrey, Director, K-5 Schools Support & Innovative Programs provided the Board with an update on Every Student Succeeds Act including a description of it, what are the major changes in ESSA, how the legislation is similar or different from NCLB, what the implications for Paramount Unified School District and what the District's next steps are.

The presentation in its entirety is available on the District website.

2016-17 Unaudited Actuals

Ruben Frutos, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services and Patricia Tu presented the Board with information on the 2016-17 Unaudited Actuals.

The District maintains positive balances and plans to continue sustaining a healthy cash flow. We continue to examine the allocation of LCAP funds. S & C funds must be used on services provided to our unduplicated pupil population. The District will also continue to evaluate the encroachment on the General Fund. LACOE recommends that spending remain conservative due to the District approaching 100% of LCFF funding.

The presentation in its entirety is available on the District website.

**BOARD MEETING
CALENDAR**

There were no changes to the Board meeting calendar.

HEARING SECTION

During the hearing section, the following speakers addressed the Board:

Sonia Olmos DeLeon addressed the Board and shared that she was on the District website and under the Mission statement reads, Increase parent and community involvement and collaboration and as she

already knows there is no collaboration on the District's part with parents. She added that the District placed air odor reducing machines but failed to obtain the air purification system they have been asking for. The purification system they have been asking for eliminates the Hexavalent Chromium 6. She added that although it was just stated that AQMD that the numbers have dropped, but it doesn't necessarily state that it will stay the same. Their priority is the well being of the children and teachers. They want collaboration. She asked why there was no Citizens Bond Oversight Committee and Masterplan listed on the website for Measure I as there was for Measure AA. She also asked why the District is not on Transparent California with the salaries. They would like to see transparency. She also added that if it is safe to have the children outside like Dr. Ruth indicated, why isn't that stated on the District website. All they are asking for is for everyone to be safe.

Gerald Cerda asked that a moment of silence be observed in remembrance of 9/11. Mr. Cerda shared that he has noticed that some steps have been taken on making improvements and that is a step in the right direction. He asked that the District be transparent and be on Transparent California and allow parents to be more involved. He shared that parents are always the last to find out. The Uniform complaint is an issue as there is confusion with the District, LACOE and the California Department of Education on what it is. He asked why the California Department of Public Health were not allowed to do any indoor testing and what methods were used for testing? Who is overseeing the testing? Mr. Cerda asked for the names of the teachers who do not want the air purifiers in their classrooms so that parents can know and not have their children in their classrooms. He also asked why are teachers and staff not allowed to call odors in directly. Why have them call the office?

CONSENT ITEMS

0.275

Trustee Cuellar motioned, Trustee Peña seconded the motion, Trustee Hansen abstained to the 2.1-C Personnel report due to a relative being on the agenda. The motion carried 4-1 to approve item 2.1-C of the Consent items as noted.

Ayes: 4 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Peña
Abstention: 1 – Hansen

Trustee Cuellar motion, Trustee Anderson seconded and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the balance of the consent items.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Human Resources

Personnel Report
17-03
2.275

Accepted Personnel Report 17-03, 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 2017-18 State Budget Act and related legislation.

Educational Services

Professional Activities Report
17-01

Approved the Professional Activities Report 17-01 for Renée Jeffrey, Director of K-5 School Support and Innovative Program, to attend the

3.275	AVID District Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas, October 11-13, 2017.
Consultant and Contract Services 3.275	Approved the consultant and contract services request authorizing contracts with consultant or independent contractors who provide specialized services, as submitted.
Overnight and/or Out-of-County Study Trips 3.275	Approved the overnight and/or out-of-county study trip for students consistent with the District policies and instructional programs.
Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County District Attorney Abolish Chronic Truancy Program 3.275	Accepted the Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County District Attorney for the Abolish Chronic Truancy Program (ACT) for the 2017-18 school year to provide assistance to students with attendance and tardy problems.
Memorandum of Understanding with El Camino College Compton Center for Administration of Justice 100 Course Offering 3.275	This item was pulled from the agenda.
Memorandum of Understanding with the Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Technology Linked Learning Consortium 3.275	Ratified the Memorandum of Understanding with the Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Technology Linked Learning to improve student preparation for college and career.

Business Services

Purchase Order Report 17-03 4.275	Approved Purchase Order Report 17-03 authorizing the purchase of supplies, equipment, and services for the District.
Consultant Services 4.275	Approved the consultant services requests authorizing contracts with consultants or independent contractors who provide specialized services, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.

ACTION ITEMS

General Services

Strategic Plan 1.276	Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Strategic Plan for the 2017-18 school year.
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Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Human Resources

Presentation of the Teachers Association of Paramount's Revised Initial Reopener	Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to receive for public review the Teachers Association of Paramount's revised initial reopener proposal of the 2017-18 Collective
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Proposal for the 2017-18
Collective Bargaining
Agreement with Paramount
Unified School District
2.277

Bargaining Agreement with Paramount Unified School District.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Public Hearing on the
Teachers Association of
Paramount's Revised Initial
Reopener Proposal for the
2017-18 Collective
Bargaining Agreement with
Paramount Unified School
District
2.278

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to conduct a public hearing regarding the Teachers Association of Paramount's revised initial reopener proposal of the 2017-18 Collective Bargaining Agreement with Paramount Unified School District.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

There were no speakers during the hearing section.

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to close the public hearing regarding the Teachers Association of Paramount's revised initial reopener proposal of the 2017-18 Collective Bargaining Agreement with Paramount Unified School District.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Educational Services

Harmony Project Consultant
Agreement
3.279

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve Harmony Project Consultant Agreement to provide K-8 students with music instruction, mentoring and life-skill development.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Memorandum of
Understanding with The Los
Angeles County Office of
Education
3.280

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County Office of Education to provide professional development sessions with the focus of arts integration.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Arts Education Collective
Advancement Grant Award
3.281

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to accept the Arts Education Collective Advancement Grant Award to provide K-5 students with Visual and Performing Arts instruction from September 2017 through June 2018.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Updated Criteria for
Reclassification of English
Learners
3.282

Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the updated reclassification criteria for English Learners that aligns with California Department of Education guidelines.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Revised Board Policy 1242.1
– Parent Involvement – Title I
Program
3.283

Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Accept for second reading and adoption proposed revised Board Policy 1242.1 Parent Involvement – Title I Program which reflects current State requirements.

Retire Board Policy 1242 – <u>Parent Involvement</u> 3.284	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to retire Board Policy 1242 – <u>Parent Involvement</u> because the required information is already included in a current Board Policy.
Audiology Solutions LA 3.285	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Approve Audiology Solutions LA to provide an Independent Educational Evaluation for an auditory processing disorder assessment at District’s expense
Saturday School Program for 2017-2018 School Year 3.286	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Approve the Saturday School program for grades 6-12 for the 2017-18 school year to recapture lost instructional time.
Articulation Agreement for CTE Film & Video Production 1 Course with Cerritos College 3.287	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Hansen seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Authorize the Credit by Examination Articulation Agreement for Film & Video Production 1 course at Paramount High School.
Femineer Program 3.288	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to Approve the Femineer program and the purchase of materials for the 2017-18 school year.
Memorandum of Understanding with El Camino College Compton Center for Administration of Justice 103 course offering	Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña This item was pulled from the agenda.
<u>Business Services</u>	
2016-17 Unaudited Actuals 4.289	Trustee Peña moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the 2016-17 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report. Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Resolution 17-10, Establishing the 2017-2018 Gann Appropriations Limit 4.290	Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution 17-10, establishing the 2017-2018 Gann Appropriations Limit at \$96,005,412, as calculated by the State formula. Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
Settlement Agreement for Transportation Services	Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve and authorize payment of a settlement

- 4.291 agreement for Transportation Services with Oceanstate Development, Inc.
- Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
- Agreement with Dave & Buster's for 2018 Grad Night
4.292 Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Agreement with Dave & Buster's for 2018 Grad Night.
- Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
- Agreement for Use of Facilities – Praise Chapel Church Parking Lot
4.293 Trustee Hansen moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Agreement for Use of Facilities, Praise Chapel Parking Lot, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents.
- Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
- Notices of Completion – Field Service Contracts
4.294 Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Peña seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to accept as completed the Field Service Contracts for interior wall repairs at Paramount High School-West Campus; replacement of ceiling tiles at the New High School; repair exterior wall system at Adult Education; replacement of HVAC units (55) at various sites; and installation of LED lighting at Lakewood, Buena Vista, Adult Education, and Paramount High School-West Campus; replace playground surfacing at Gaines ECE; install storm drain at Keppel, Lincoln, and Collins; resurface driveway at Paramount High School-West Campus, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to file the Notices of Completion and make payment to all contracted parties upon expiration of the lien period and determination that no liens are outstanding.
- Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña
- Authorization to Bid and Field Service Contract Renewal
4.295 Trustee Anderson moved, Trustee Cuellar seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to authorize the increase of the field service contract for carpentry. Authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute all necessary documents. Authorize staff to prepare bid specifications for computers and related peripherals. Authorize the Superintendent or designee to advertise, review, award, and execute all necessary documents to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s).
- Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

CONFERENCE ITEMS

General Services

- Revised Board Bylaw 9270 – Conflict of Interest Code – The Board received as first reading proposed revised Board Bylaw 9270 - Conflict of Interest Code revised in compliance with a request from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Educational Services

Revised Administrative Regulation 6176 - Education for Homeless Children

The Board received as information revised Administrative Regulation 6176 – Education for Homeless Children.

Business Services

Bid Summary – Field Service Contracts

The Board received a summary of bid results for field service contracts for electric, exterior paint, and interior window covering.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Garcia reported that the next Regular Meeting would be Monday, September 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. – Boardroom of the District Office.

Staff Employee Comments Per Government Code 54957

There were no staff/employee comments.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:21 p.m. to discuss Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation, Conference with Labor Negotiator and Public Employee Performance/Evaluation.

OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 8:42 p.m. President Garcia reported that they discussed Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation, Conference with Labor Negotiator and Public Employee Performance/Evaluation.

There was no action taken in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Cuellar moved, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on September 11, 2017 at 8:43 p.m.

Ayes: 5 – Trustees Anderson, Cuellar, Garcia, Hansen, Peña

Ruth Pérez, Secretary
To the Board of Education

President

Vice President/Clerk