Special Governing Board Meeting Agenda

(Adopted) Meeting Minutes

CABRILLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Public Session: Monday, March 15, 2021 • 7:00 PM • Via Zoom: https://cabrillok12.zoom.us/j/99135905009

Board Members Present:	Ms. Lizet Cortes, President Ms. Mary Beth Alexander, Vice President Ms. Freya McCamant, Clerk to the Governing Board Ms. Sophia Layne, Member Ms. Kimberly Hines, Member
Administrators Present:	Dr. Sean McPhetridge, Ed.D., Superintendent Dr. Leticia Bhatia, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent Mr. J Jesús Contreras, Chief Business Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

a. Public Session – 7:01 PM – Welcome

1. Roll Call / Quorum

Ms. Lizet Cortes, President
Ms. Mary Beth Alexander, Vice President
Ms. Freya McCamant, Clerk to the Governing Board
Ms. Sophia Layne, Member
Ms. Kimberly Hines, Member

2. Pledge of Allegiance

President Lizet Cortes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda, as presented, was made by Member Kimberly Hines and seconded by Member Freya McCamant.

ROLLCALL
Ms. Lizet Cortes, President – aye
Ms. Mary Beth Alexander, Vice President – aye
Ms. Freya McCamant, Clerk to the Governing Board – aye
Ms. Sophia Layne, Member – aye
Ms. Kimberly Hines, Member – aye

(M-33) Passed 5-0

3. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Public Comments

David Seaton, community member, spoke to the Board about his disapproval of the return to school plans and asked the Board to bring all students back to the classroom for full-day in-person instruction and create a robust summer school program. Mr. Seaton also requested the Board to look out for the students.

Written Comments. The Board received one (1) comment via the Google Public Comment Request form, related to this agenda item. To read the full public comment submitted via the Google Public Comment Request form, please follow the link provided below:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Yl5TeKx4UtuUK8y8H5tFUW9oQyvqKjNOcXBcDJU8VG0/edit?usp=sharing

b. Employee Organizations Report

1. CUTA Representatives

None.

2. CSEA Representatives

CSEA President Stig Lynne shared with the Board and the community a survey CSEA conducted with its members regarding the plan to reopen the schools. About 50% of the members provided feedback, and of those, 60% said they felt comfortable bringing students back to the classrooms, 20% were uncertain, and 20% were not comfortable.

c. Board Members Report

Member Mary Beth Alexander said she is glad that the Cunha Opening of Schools Plan is coming along. Member Alexander also clarified that families that prefer to stay remote are not necessarily doing so because they feel it is unsafe but because remote learning works for them until the full-time on-campus instruction is back to normal.

Member Sophia Layne said she is looking forward to hearing the Opening of Schools final recommendation, concluding the elementary plan's approval, and meeting next week to finalize the secondary plan.

Member Kimberly Hines just said she would hold her comments and questions for the Opening of Schools presentation.

Member Freya McCamant also said she had no comments for this section.

President Lizet Cortes thanked Dr. Bhatia, Mr. Contreras, the committee, and the schools for their work on putting together the Opening of Schools Plan.

d. Student Board Representative Report

None.

e. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Dr. Sean McPhetridge said he respects Mr. Seaton for raising his voice and pointed out he also respects Mr. Riordan for advocating for the interests and health of the staff. He also shared how he respects the role of his position and that of the Board in balancing the varying interests of the staff, the students, and their families. Dr. McPhetridge also said he also feels it is time to return to schools now that vaccinations are more widely available and staff would thus feel more comfortable returning.

Dr. McPhetridge reiterated that the district, colleagues, and the Board take this job very seriously because they must align the interests and needs of students, families, staff, and the community to be able to produce a plan and move forward. Lastly, Dr. McPhetridge said he is pleased the district is closed to having an approved plan.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

a. Approval of CUSD's Elementary Opening of Schools Plan Amendment

David Seaton, community member, spoke about the return to school plan and how the new schedules might not work for working families. Mr. Seaton also said the families would keep students home not because they feel unsafe but because the plan is not strong.

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Motion to approve Elementary Schools Opening of Schools Plan Schedule B with AM and PM cohorts starting on April 5, 2021, with a 1-week transition was made by Member Sophia Layne and seconded by Member Mary Beth Alexander.

ROLLCALL
Ms. Lizet Cortes, President – aye
Ms. Mary Beth Alexander, Vice President – aye
Ms. Freya McCamant, Clerk to the Governing Board – aye
Ms. Sophia Layne, Member – aye
Ms. Kimberly Hines, Member – aye

(M-34) Passed 5-0

5. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

Motion to adjourn was made by Member Kimberly Hines and seconded by Member Sophia Layne.

ROLLCALL
Ms. Lizet Cortes, President – aye
Ms. Mary Beth Alexander, Vice President – aye
Ms. Freya McCamant, Clerk to the Governing Board – aye
Ms. Sophia Layne, Member – aye
Ms. Kimberly Hines, Member – aye

(M-35) Passed 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM

Minutes prepared by Rosibel Acosta, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Minutes presented by Sean McPhetridge, Ed.D., Secretary to the Governing Board

Certified by:

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Freya McCamant Date
Clerk to the Governing Board
Cabrillo Unified School District