Regular Governing Board Meeting

(Adopted) Meeting Minutes

CABRILLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Public Session: Thursday, January 19, 2023 • 6:00 PM | Closed Session: After Public Session
Cunha Intermediate School • 600 Church Street, Half Moon Bay, California 94019

1. OPENING BUSINESS

a. Call Public Session to Order - 6:00 PM

b. Roll Call / Quorum

Board Members Present:	Sophia Layne, President Kimberly Hines, Vice President Carmen Daniel, Clerk to the Governing Board (arrived at 6:05 PM) Lizet Cortes, Member (arrived at 6:15 PM) Mary Beth Alexander, Member
Student Board Member Present:	Catalina Gonzalez Johnston
Administrators Present:	Sean McPhetridge, Ed.D., Superintendent J Jesús Contreras, Chief Business Officer Leticia Bhatia, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent

c. Pledge of Allegiance

Student Board Member Catalina Gonzalez Johnston led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Kimberly Hines made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Member Mary Beth Alexander.

(M-01) Passed 3-0 with Student Board Member voting aye

3. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Public Comments

Kendra Holland, CUSD parent, addressed the Board on democracy and effective participation. Holland said it is important to gather the opinions of all stakeholders when making consequential decisions and asked the district to return Board meetings to a format that allows remote participation.

Thomas Walrod, Half Moon Bay High School teacher, spoke to the Board about teacher retainment and salaries. Walrod added that the community needs strong and dependable teachers because of the new roles in education and that teachers' roles are not only to educate but to ensure student's safety.

b. Employee Organizations Report

CUTA Representatives

Co-President Claudia Lunstroth started her comments by asking questions about the district's contract and Ed. Code compliance. Co-President Lunstroth also spoke about the district finances and said that the district should use these dollars for students, stating that evidence shows of the need for qualified teachers. Co-President Lunstroth ended her comments by reading comments from other CUTA members.

Bargaining Chair Kathleen Wall provided comments on the district's budget and the First Interim report presented at the December Board meeting. Wall spoke too about the bonus staff received from the COVID Relief Fund at the start of the 2021-22 school year and said that to attract and retain qualified instructors, the district needs to increase salaries to be competitive with other local districts.

CSEA Representatives

CSEA President Diane Paoli reported that CSEA maintenance and custodial staff have been repairing storm damages.

c. Board Members Report

Member Mary Beth Alexander started thanking staff who have been working hard. Member Alexander said she is excited about this year and seeing many projects in which staff has worked for a long time, such as the new School Information System. Member Alexander thanked people who sent emails with comments on items coming up in the Board meeting, referenced Dr. Bhatia's examples of the pantry, and said that now things are getting in order and that the changes can be seen happening for good.

Member Kimberly Hines said she appreciates all comments made tonight and said she recognizes that all stakeholders have their hands on different pieces of information. Member Hines noted that the piece she will continue pursuing is advocating at Senator Becker's Office for better funding. Member Hines explained that with the flip from Basic Aid to LCFF funding, the district expenditures are 15 to 20% less than other districts in the area and that funding across the state is not equitable. Member Hines ended by saying she will pay attention to the budget to understand it better.

Member Lizet Cortes said that she hopes things start to clean up after the storm that hit the Coastside and get back to some normalcy. Member Cortes said she will continue studying and learning more about the budget and thanked Chief Business Officer Contreras for being helpful and understanding with that.

Member Carmen Daniel said she was happy to be here and expressed her thankfulness for all the public comments. Member Daniel noted that it is important to hear everybody's perspectives.

President Sophia Layne thanked Member Cortes for mentioning the devastation Coastside families are experiencing over the last weeks, thanked CSEA President Paoli for referencing the hard work staff are doing, and acknowledged all the efforts consequent of the storm. President Layne continued reporting her attendance at the CSBA briefing on Governor Newsom's school budget proposal and said she is looking forward to working with CSBA and the Legislative Committee to have a preliminary conversation with Governor Newsom’s staff. President Layne noted that in terms of equity, it is important to put the money where it is needed and to think about the students that need extra support. She also explained that San Mateo County is unique compared to other areas because of the high cost of living.

d. Student Board Member Report

Student Board Member Catalina Gonzalez Johnston provided the Board and the public with an update on El Granada Elementary, Farallone View Elementary, Kings Mountain Elementary, Cunha Intermediate, Half Moon Bay High, and Pilarcitos High School's latest events and activities.

e. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Dr. Sean McPhetridge started by recognizing the struggle to return to schools after the winter break because of the inclement weather, and he thanked staff and community for their flexibility and resilience during this time. Dr. McPhetridge thanked CSEA and CUTA leaders for talking to him before he announced school closures on Thursday, January 5, 2023. Dr. McPhetridge also specifically thanked

Maintenance Supervisor Jaime Rico and CBO Jesús Contreras for their work to get generators provided to Farallone View and Kings Mountain Elementary Schools during power outages on those campuses.

Regarding the budget presented last month, Dr. McPhetridge said that Governor Newsom released a new update four days ago, but the district will really have to wait until June when the budget is finalized to know what the funding actually will be. Dr. McPhetridge also provided an overview of the items placed on the consent agenda, including a proclamation adopting February of 2023 as African American History Month, a Future Farmers of America field trip, the Ethnic Studies course adoption, the School Accountability Report Cards, and the Audit report.

Dr. McPhetridge expressed his appreciation to Cunha Principal Jeff Clinton for the work done at Cunha this year, and he thanked Technology Director Stig Lynne and Data Coordinator Yiannis Ouranitsas for their work on the new student information system. Dr. McPhetridge ended his report by expressing gratitude for the community's resilience, strength, flexibility, patience, understanding, and kindness.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Adoption of Proclamation Declaring February 2023 as African American History Month
b. Approval of Half Moon Bay High Future Farmers of America Field Trip to Chico, California – February 10-11, 2023
c. Approval of Ethnic Studies Course and Text Adoption Beginning the 2023-24 School Year
d. Approval of School Accountability Report Cards (SARC)
e. Approval of Certificated Personnel Report
f. Approval of Classified Personnel Report
g. Approve Increases to Non-Bargaining Unit Salary Schedule
h. Approval of Warrant Register Report
i. Approve Audit Report for Year Ending June 30, 2022
j. Approval of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
k. Approval of Regular Governing Board Meetings Minutes

Member Mary Beth Alexander made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Member Kimberly Hines.

ROLLCALL
Sophia Layne, President – aye
Kimberly Hines, Vice President – aye
Carmen Daniel, Clerk to the Governing Board – aye
Lizet Cortes, Member – aye
Mary Beth Alexander, Member – aye

(M-02) Passed 5-0 with Student Board Member voting aye

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

a. Cunha Intermediate School Presentation

Cunha Intermediate School principal Jeffrey Clinton provided an overview of site data and site-based programs and services.

b. Approval of Student Information System Replacement

Technology Director Stig Lynne and Data Coordinator Yiannis Ouranitsas presented on the process taken with staff and parent/guardian representatives to review student information systems. They also discussed the rationale for selection of a new student information system that is more efficient for practitioner and parent/guardian use. The presentation included a discussion of cost savings over time of implementation as well as the streamlining capability available to staff and families with the adoption of a new system to replace the outdated and fragmented accretion of legacy software. Member Lizet Cortes motioned to approve Student Information System Replacement. Motion seconded by Member Kimberly Hines.

(M-03) Passed 5-0

7. CLOSED SESSION

a. Public Comments on Closed Session Topics

None.

b. Adjourn to Closed Session – 7:59 PM

Board Members met privately for Closed Session. Actions taken during Closed Session are reported under "Closed Session Action Report" if applicable.

1. **Matters Related to Students: Student Expulsion (Government Code §48912)**

   Student identification number: 230119-A

2. **Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code §54957)**

   Title: Superintendent

c. Reconvene to Open Session – 9:08 PM

1. Closed Session Action Report: President Mary Beth Alexander reported that the Board met in Closed Session from 8:05 to 8:40 PM and considered the expulsion recommendation for student 230119-A.

   Member Mary Beth Alexander motioned to approve the student expulsion as stipulated; the student will be expelled for the remainder of the 2022-23 academic year and will be eligible for readmission to CUSD in the fall of 2023 semester, contingent on the successful completion of the rehabilitation plan. Motion seconded by Member Kimberly Hines.

ROLLCALL
Sophia Layne, President – aye
Kimberly Hines, Vice President – aye
Carmen Daniel, Clerk to the Governing Board – aye
Lizet Cortes, Member – aye
Mary Beth Alexander, Member – aye

(M-04) Passed 5-0

8. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Member Kimberly Hines and seconded by Member Carmen Daniel.

(M-05) Passed 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 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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Carmen Daniel Date
Clerk to the Governing Board