

**LA CAÑADA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

March 8, 2016

The Special Meeting of the Governing Board of La Cañada Unified School District was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President David Sagal on March 8, 2016, in the Round Building at 4490 Cornishon Avenue in La Cañada, California. Present were Governing Board Members David Sagal, Dan Jeffries, Ellen Multari, Kaitzer Puglia, and Brent Kuszyk.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. David Sagal, President  
Mr. Dan Jeffries, Vice President  
Mrs. Kaitzer Puglia, Member  
Mrs. Ellen Multari, Member  
Mr. Brent Kuszyk, Member

**SPECIAL MEETING**

The Special Meeting of the Governing Board was reconvened at 6:30 p.m. in the Round Building at 4490 Cornishon Avenue in La Cañada, California. Present were five Governing Board Members, Ms. Sinnette, Mrs. Wenn, Dr. Davis, Mr. Evans and Executive Assistant to the Superintendent Kim Bergner. There were approximately 140 people in the audience. Mr. Sagal asked La Canada High School teacher, Dr. Mark Ewoldsen to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS BOARD**

The following audience members addressed the Board:

Mandy Redfern, LCTA President and La Cañada Elementary School teacher  
Jenny Kazak, Paradise Canyon Elementary School teacher  
Tracy Calhoun, La Cañada High School teacher.

**PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS**

**1. First Reading**

- a. **\*Approval of District's K-12 Core Literature List, R90-15-16.** It was moved and seconded (Jeffries/Multari) to approve the District's K-12 Core Literature List. Ms. Wenn discussed the revisions to the core literature list. The motion to approve the District's K-12 Core Literature List was adopted unanimously.
- b. **\*Resolution 13-15-16 Certificated Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service.** It was moved and seconded (Multari/Jeffries) to adopt Resolution 13-15-16 Certificated Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service. Dr. Davis reported on the reduction of particular kind of service due to an overage in FTEs in Fine Arts and Culinary Arts due to student enrollment in the classes. This is for and .8 in Fine Arts and .2 in Culinary Arts for a total of 1 FTE. The motion to adopt Resolution 13-15-16 Certificated Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service was adopted unanimously.

**2. Consent Agenda**

It was moved and seconded (Mulari/Jeffries) to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion to approve the Consent Agenda was adopted unanimously.

- a. **Personnel Report, P17-15-16.** The Governing Board approved the Personnel Report as follows: *Certificated*: New Hires: Ted Armstrong, Leslie Barton Snyder, Valerie Gochez-Frasch, Sarah Larson, Casey Sripamong. Release from Temporary Contract: Valerie Gochez-Frasch. *Classified*: New Hires: Victor Castano, Lawrence Chandler, Edward James Evans, Ricardo Flores, Christopher Jones. Resignation: Cassandra Chambers.

- b. **Spec Acts: LCHS First Robotics Regional, R87-15-16.** The Governing Board approved the LCHS Spec Acts request to attend the First Robotics Regional in Las Vegas, Nevada March 30 0- April 2, 2016.
- c. **Spec Acts: LCHS First Robotics Regional Ventura, R88-15-16. .** The Governing Board approved the LCHS Spec Acts request to attend the First Robotics Regional in Ventura, California March 23 – March 26, 2016.
- d. **Spec Acts: LCHS California HS Speech and Debate State Tournament, R89-15-16.** The Governing Board approved the LCHS Spec Acts request to attend the California High School Speech and Debate Tournament in Santa Clara, California April 15 – April 18, 2016.
- e. **Purchase Order List 13-15-16.** The Governing Board approved Purchase Order List 13-15-16.

### **OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

None.

### **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Governing Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:48 p.m. in the Round Building at 4490 Cornishon Avenue in La Cañada, California. Present were the five Governing Board Members, Superintendent Wendy Sinnette, Assistant Superintendent Anais Wenn, Assistant Superintendent Jeff Davis and Chief Business & Operations Officer Mark Evans. Closed Session adjourned at 11:00 p.m. p.m.

### **REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Sagal stated that as the President of the Governing Board of La Cañada Unified School District, he would like to report out on the March 8, 2016 Closed Session meeting. In this meeting, the Governing Board took action on the following personnel item: In Closed Session, the Governing Board took action, by a vote of 5 ayes (Sagal, Jeffries, Puglia, Multari and Kuszyk) to 0 noes to non-reelect the following employee, effective on the close of the work day on the last day of contracted paid service in the 2015-16 school year: Certificated Employee #2015-16-3 (40-15-16 on the Closed Session Agenda).

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m. The Next Regular Meeting of the Governing Board will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Round Building at 4490 Cornishon Avenue in La Canada, California.

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Wendy K. Sinnette, Superintendent  
Secretary to the Governing Board

### **MINUTES APPROVED**

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Kaitzer Puglia, Clerk

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Date