

Alvord Unified School District

Special Board Meeting - Board of Education Workshop
March 03, 2022, 2:00 PM
District Office Board Room, 9 KPC Parkway, Corona, CA 92879

MINUTES

Attendance Taken at 2:00 PM:

Present:

Dr. Joanna Dorado
Mr. Robert Schwandt
Ms. Lizeth Vega
Mrs. Carolyn Wilson

Absent:

Mrs. Julie Moreno (Joined Later in the Meeting)

1. We are following the current guidance of state and county health and safety officials. Masks are required for all participants and must be properly worn at all times.

2. INTRODUCTORY PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order and Welcome - 2:00 p.m.

Minutes:

Board Vice President, Dr. Joanna Dorado called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Establishment of Quorum

Minutes:

A quorum was established.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited by those in attendance.

4. Public Comment

Minutes:

Board Vice President, Dr. Joanna Dorado extended an invitation to the audience to present matters of concern to the Board. No one came forward.

3. State & District Budget Update - Budget Workshop

Minutes:

Chief Business Officer, Dusty Nevatt and Anthony Warnecke, Director III of Fiscal Services presented a budget workshop providing updates to the Proposed State Budget for 2022/23, Impact to Alvord Budget for 2022/23, Preliminary 2021/22 Second Interim Budget and Financial information, Ending Fund Balance Commitments versus Assignments, and RCOE Requirement for Board Approved Potential Budget Reductions (if necessary).

Trustee Carolyn Wilson asked if our Child Nutrition Services department has experienced any product shortages. Mrs. Nevatt stated that there had been a shortage of sporks and other paper products.

Trustee Carolyn Wilson asked if the new funding for the new afterschool learning program is to address the learning loss the pandemic has caused. Mrs. Nevatt responded yes, and that the program does address learning loss and requires before and after school learning (9-hour day). Mrs. Nevatt also stated that the governor has set-up guidelines for funding to support this program.

Trustee Robert Schwandt asked if we would continue to see one-time continued funding in future years. Mrs. Nevatt stated that it was hard to predict how the governor would decide to allocate funds in future years. Mrs. Nevatt stated that the governor's current focus has been to fund early childhood and additional instructional times for students to learn. Mrs. Nevatt stated that when she is doing her multi-year projections, she does not include one-time dollars, to be able to make sure we are not spending any funds that are not yet guaranteed.

Trustee Robert Schwandt asked regarding the new learning opportunity program, if it is an afterschool program that is funded through the grant. Mrs. Nevatt stated that the new program complements our current afterschool program, and it needs to be a 9-hour day for 180 days in addition to 30 more days at 9-hours. Trustee Schwandt asked how many students would this new program impact. Mrs. Nevatt stated that the district is required to provide it to our unduplicated students initially. Once it has been offered to the unduplicated students, it can be offered to the rest of the student population. It would be offered to approximately to 7,000 to 8,000 students initially.

Trustee Carolyn Wilson asked in regards to implementing the new learning program; if we will need to hire additional employees. Mrs. Nevatt stated that the program could be structured to offer additional hours to current employees and possibly hiring additional employees.

Trustee Schwandt asked if for the TK expansion program only teacher's aids would be hired. Mrs. Nevatt stated that in order to meet the 24:2 ratio an instructional aid would need to be hired to work alongside a teacher.

Trustee Lizeth Vega asked if the funds for the TK expansion can be used to hire instructional aids and not only for facilities. Mrs. Nevatt stated that there are dollars that can be used for both, to hire employees and for facilities. Mrs. Nevatt stated that there is additional

conversation about making an adjustment to the LCFF calculation that would address the funding for the TK expansion.

At 3:08 p.m., Board Vice President, Dr. Joanna Dorado called for a 5-minute recess.

At 3:18 p.m., Board Vice President, Dr. Joanna Dorado reconvened the meeting.

At 3:44 p.m. Board President, Julie Moreno joined the meeting.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

Board Vice President, Dr. Joanna Dorado adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m.

Dr. Allan J. Mucerino
Superintendent