

# **Escalon Unified School District**

**Board of Education**

**April 16, 2019; 7:00 PM**

**Location: District Office**

## **Minutes**

### **Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM:**

#### Present:

Nicholas Caton

Martha Coelho

John Largent

Kate Powell

Richard Thompson

Hailie Webster

### **1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 PM**

### **2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

### **3. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

### **4. CLOSED SESSION**

#### **4.1. Call closed session to order**

#### **4.2. Discuss employment/discipline/release/acceptance of retirement/resignation/appointment or replacement of district employees**

#### **4.3. Conference with Superintendent and District Negotiator regarding negotiations**

#### **4.4. Adjourn closed session**

### **5. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM**

Minutes:

7:00pm

### **6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Minutes:

Recited

## **7. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Minutes:  
No Report

## **8. ADDITION TO THE AGENDA**

Minutes:  
None

## **9. REPORTS**

### **9.1. Escalon High School Board Representative**

Minutes:  
Student Board Representative, Hailie Webster reported on events taking place at Escalon High School. A dodgeball tournament will be taking place tomorrow, where teachers and students will participate. ASB elections have taken place, and Madison Bavaro will be next year's Student Board Representative. Senior awards are May 22, 2019.

### **9.2. Period 8 Attendance**

Minutes:  
Superintendent Costa reported on period 8 attendance for the 2018-2019 school year. Period 8 was down .22%. Year to date the district is still up compared to prior year by .07%. Four schools were up over last year with ECA leading the schools with a 98.53% and El Portal coming in second with a 96.92%.

### **9.3. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints**

Minutes:  
Superintendent Costa reported the district received no Williams Uniform complaints for the quarter ending April 15, 2019.

## **10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION**

Minutes:  
Superintendent Costa gave all board members correspondence from Trinity Church. He gave Kate Powell and Nick Caton a thank you letter from Dent Elementary for helping during career day. A letter for the board from Van Allen's Good News Club.

## **11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa asked the board for direction on holding a board retreat in May. The purpose of the retreat is to tie up some loose ends at the end of the school year and plan for the upcoming school year.

A group of 18 teachers along with Mr. Chavez have been piloting possible new K-5 curriculum. Under Mr. Chavez's direction the committee has done a thorough job of vetting the curriculum options.

Construction is progressing at three sites, Collegeville Elementary, Gateway Academy and Dent Elementary. Brayton had a site pre-construction walk through with his subcontractors on April 11, 2019. The board will have an action item concerning the Dent construction on the May 7th board agenda.

Superintendent Costa and Trinette Marquis recorded a promotional video on the First Responder CTE Pathway today. They were able to witness 4 student firefighters crawl through an obstacle course simulating a fire and rescue a downed firefighter. They brought him out of the fire and he was immediately cared for by the EMT team who provided first aid and then transported him to our ambulance. It was amazing.

### **11.1. March 2019 Financial Report**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa reported on the March 2019 Financial Report. The district received 18.8 million for fund 1 of our budgeted revenue of 28.9 million. We have expended 19.1 million of our budgeted 28.4 million. For fund 9 we are still anticipating deficit spending of 1.1 million due to the construction and moving of Gateway. Fund 21 currently has 4.1 million and fund 35, the state match for construction, currently has 7.8 million for a total available of 11.9 million for Dent modernization/construction.

## **12. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS**

Minutes:

Anthony Varni, Principal of Dent Elementary reported on events taking place at his site. He thanked his Assistant Principal Robert Fyke for his hard work during CAASPP testing. Testing went very well, virtually no technology issues. Screening went very well for incoming transitional kindergarteners and kindergarteners. Third graders did an amazing job on their unit on the life cycle of eggs and chickens.

Dawn Webster, Principal of Collegeville and Farmington Elementary reported Open House for Farmington took place tonight, with 66 students attended. Collegeville is having its Open House tomorrow. Kevin Bracy will visit both sites on Thursday, April 18th.

Jennifer Klopatek-Driscoll, Principal of Gateway Academy reported CAASPP is taking place at her site. Gateway conducted home visits to all its families to discuss CAASPP testing, only ten families opted out. Technology went great during testing. Her site is currently in the process of ordering individualized curriculum for next year.

Julio Zambrano, Principal of Van Allen Elementary reported kindergarten assessments went very well at his site. Love Escalon helped at the Van Allen garden. A Red-Carpet event will take place on April 30th to cheer on students for the first day of testing. Science Night will take place tomorrow, with great vendors.

Mark Vos, Principal of El Portal Middle School reported CAASPP testing went very well at his site, with almost no technology issues. Assistant Principal Mike Gaston will be traveling with students this year for the end of the year field trip to Alcatraz. His site is currently looking at setting cut off dates and GPA requirements to participate in the promotion ceremony. Students are working very hard at meeting the grade requirements to be able to participate.

George Megenney, Principal of Vista High School reported CAASPP testing is done at his site. Graduation rate this year at his site is great.

Eric Simoni, Principal of Escalon High School reported CAASPP went very well thanks to Assistant Principal Jason Furtado. He mentioned how popular the first responder program is and what a great job the students are doing. WASC review will take place next week. Academic Awards are taking place on May 6th. This year there are 182 students on track to graduate.

### **13. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **14. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Richard Thompson and a second by Martha Coelho.

Yes Nicholas Caton  
Yes Martha Coelho  
Yes John Largent  
Yes Kate Powell  
Yes Richard Thompson

#### **14.1. Approval of Minutes, March 19, 2019**

#### **14.2. Approval of Bills/Warrants**

#### **14.3. Retirements/Resignations**

**14.3.1. Ted Johnson, Maintenance-Grounds Person, MOT, effective 3/25/2019**

**14.3.2. Renee Olson, Bookkeeper/Payroll, District Office, effective 10/31/2019.**

**14.3.3. Kurt Enochs, Lead Maintenance, MOT, effective 5/11/2019**

**14.3.4. Jennifer Lennon, Special Education Instructional Assistant, EHS, effective 5/31/2019**

**14.3.5. Audra Pires, Clerk Secretary I, EHS, effective 6/7/2019**

**14.3.6. Christian Manes, Math Teacher, El Portal Middle School, effective 5/31/2019**

**14.3.7. Robert Leal, JV Girls Head Basketball Coach, EHS, effective 4/4/2019**

**14.3.8. David Luna, Maintenance-Grounds Person, MOT, effective 4/24/2019**

#### **14.4. Request to Hire/Change Status**

**14.4.1. Delfina Mendoza, Bilingual Instructional Assistant, EHS, effective 8/5/2019**

**14.4.2. Janally Juarez-Acosta, Dual Language Teacher, Collegeville Elementary, effective 8/2/2019**

**14.4.3. Mamie John, Bus Driver/Part-Time, MOT, effective 4/17/2019**

**14.4.4. Emily Blevins, Dual Language Teacher, Collegeville Elementary, effective 8/2/2019**

**14.4.5. Dawn Webster, Special Education Teacher, El Portal Middle School, effective 8/5/2019**

**14.4.6. George Megenney, Principal, Collegeville/Farmington Elementary, effective 7/1/2019**

**14.4.7. Gustavo Arzac, Teaching Principal, EHS/Vista, effective 7/1/2019**

**14.4.8. Elizabeth Nunes, Clerk Secretary I, EHS, effective TBD**

**14.4.9. Adriana Anserlian, Spanish Teacher, EHS, effective 8/2/2019**

## **15. ACTION ITEMS**

### **15.1. Review Proposed Options and Consider Approval for a New EUSD Logo**

**Motion Passed:** The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Consider Approval of a new EUSD Logo. Passed with a motion by Richard Thompson and a second by John Largent.

Yes Nicholas Caton  
Yes Martha Coelho  
Yes John Largent  
Yes Kate Powell  
Yes Richard Thompson

Minutes:

Richard Thompson moved the board approve Logo C with font option 2, John Largent second. Motion passed unanimously.

### **15.2. Consider Approval of the 2019-2020 Board Governance Handbook**

**Motion Passed:** The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified

School District Board of Trustees approve the 2019-2020 EUSD Board Governance Handbook. Passed with a motion by Richard Thompson and a second by Nicholas Caton.

Yes Nicholas Caton  
Yes Martha Coelho  
Yes John Largent  
Yes Kate Powell  
Yes Richard Thompson

### **15.3. Consider Approval of Contract with SHI**

**Motion Passed:** The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees approve the contract with SHI to provide Microsoft software licenses. Passed with a motion by John Largent and a second by Martha Coelho.

Yes Nicholas Caton  
Yes Martha Coelho  
Yes John Largent  
Yes Kate Powell  
Yes Richard Thompson

## **16. INFORMATION**

### **16.1. District Committee K-5 ELA Adoption Curriculum Recommendation**

Minutes:

Assistant Superintendent Ricardo Chavez reported on the district committee K-5 ELA adoption curriculum recommendation.

### **16.2. Proposed update of the District Discipline Guidelines**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa presented the proposed update of the District Discipline Guidelines.

### **16.3. Proposed update of the District Dress Code**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa presented the proposed update of the District Dress Code.

## **17. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Minutes:

The board congratulated Gustavo Arzac and George Megenney.

## **18. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**18.1. April**

**18.2. May**

## **19. ADJOURNMENT**

Minutes:

7:58pm