



## **Desert Sands Unified School District Minutes**

### **Regular Board Meeting**

August 20, 2019, 7:00 PM  
District Education Center Boardroom  
47-950 Dune Palms Road, La Quinta, California  
Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. - Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

#### **1. Call to Order**

Minutes:

President Wendy Jonathan opened the meeting at 6:29 p.m. and announced the Board of Education would later go into Closed Session to discuss items, as listed. Action taken by the Board of Education would be reported during Student Matters and Call Out of Closed Session Actions.

#### **2. Public Comment On Closed Session Items**

Minutes:

None this evening.

#### **3. Closed Session**

**3.1. Discuss and take action on student Admission Cases, Reinstatements, Stipulated Expulsion Orders, and Expulsions, as listed**

**3.2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957**

**3.3. Update on Negotiations with the California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 106**

**3.4. General Release and Settlement Agreement SSS #01/2019-2020**

### **3.5. General Release and Settlement Agreement SSS #02/2019-2020**

### **3.6. General Release and Settlement Agreement SSS #03/2019-2020**

## **4. Reconvene to Open Session**

Minutes:

The Board returned to open session at 7:01 p.m.

## **5. Pledge of Allegiance**

Minutes:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Laura Fisher, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services, and repeated in unison.

## **6. Roll Call**

Minutes:

President Wendy Jonathan noted all Board members, Superintendent, and Cabinet members were present.

## **7. Approval of Minutes**

### **7.1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 16, 2019**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 16, 2019, as submitted. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

## **8. Board Meeting Addenda**

Minutes:

For agenda item #17.2, Resolution No. 09/2019-2020, Authorization for the Education Protection Account Spending Plan, when the attachment was uploaded on Friday, the incorrect Resolution was uploaded. The correct Resolution attachment has been provided to the Board and copies are available in the Boardroom for anyone who would like a copy.

## **9. Approval of Agenda**

### **9.1. Agenda of the Regular Meeting of August 20, 2019**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the agenda of the regular meeting of August 20, 2019, with any additions or deletions that receive a unanimous vote. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

## **10. Community/Staff/Student Recognition - N/A**

Minutes:

None this evening.

## **11. Introduction of New or Recently Promoted Employees**

**11.1. Introduction of New or Recently Promoted Employees - Kirsten (Wright) Knapp, Principal, Franklin Elementary School; Jessica Koahou, Transportation Operations Supervisor; Jessica Mendoza, Ed.D., Principal, Desert Ridge Academy; Philip Solis, Assistant Principal, Desert Ridge Academy; LaTanya Strange, Assistant Principal, Dr. Carreon Academy and Monroe Elementary School**

Minutes:

### **11. Introduction of New or Recently Promoted Employees**

Kirsten Knapp, Principal, Franklin Elementary School, has been a part of the Desert Sands family for over 16 years. She started her career in 2003 as a classroom teacher at Dr. Carreon Academy then moved to the district office as a Technology Teacher on Special Assignment for 8 years training staff and students across 20 elementary schools. Before joining our district in 2003, Mrs. Knapp earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from the University of Oregon, and in 2015, earned her administrative credential and was hired as the assistant principal at Amelia Earhart, a school she has served well for the past five years. Mrs. Knapp is excited to be the newly appointed principal at Benjamin Franklin Elementary where she is proud to continue leading Desert Sands students.

Mrs. Kirsten Knapp thanked the Board of Education for investing in her as a district and expressed her gratitude. She thanked her husband, Chad, and Brad Fisher for being her support system.

Jessica Koahou, Transportation Operations Supervisor, has worked in the school bus industry for over ten years, most recently as the Transportation Manager with the Lucerne Valley School District. She began her career serving as the liaison between a private contractor and Riverside Unified School District. Shortly after completing a Transportation Academy, Mrs. Koahou became an Operations Manager and a State Certified Instructor with zero restrictions. In her previous positions, Mrs. Koahou

successfully supervised a fleet of 120 drivers, and 110 buses. She has excelled in her positions while also serving as the co-chair of a Special Needs Council, a member of both the Communications Council and Branding Councils. Mrs. Koahou is married and has 10 children with her husband, Francis Koahou, Jr.

Dr. Jessica Mendoza, Principal, Desert Ridge Academy, immigrated to the United States in 1995 in the middle of her seventh grade year. She promoted from Indio Middle School and later graduated from Indio High School. She studied Liberal Studies with a math concentration, earned a Master's in Education Administration and obtained a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from California State University San Bernardino. Her dissertation focused on the importance of mentorship and building positive relationships with students who are first generation immigrants and first generation college students. Dr. Mendoza, who is beginning her 14th year as an educator and joins us from the Coachella Valley Unified School District where she taught all grade levels of math ranging from Algebra I to Trigonometry. Throughout her career, she has assumed multiple leadership roles from staff developer to most recently the Coordinator of Testing and Assessments. Dr. Mendoza and her husband, Rene, have two sons and a daughter. She is proud of her wonderful, loving parents, five sisters, three brothers and 28 nieces and nephews.

Dr. Jessica Mendoza thanked Dr. Donna Salazar for the wonderful introduction, the Board of Education, and Cabinet members for the trust they have invested in her to lead Desert Ridge Academy. She is thankful for her family and children who have supported her during her education. Dr. Mendoza is committed and proud to be the principal at Desert Ridge Academy.

Philip Solis, Assistant Principal, Desert Ridge Academy, is originally from Southeast Los Angeles, completed a Bachelor's degree in Criminology at Long Beach State University then began his career in education as a math teacher in Long Beach Unified, and later in Los Angeles Unified, always working in the middle school setting. Mr. Solis has experience in writing curriculum, working on multiple district level committees, and developed his leadership skills as a department chair in both math and science departments. Mr. Solis completed a Masters in Educational Leadership at the University of California, Santa Barbara and 12 years ago, relocated to the Coachella Valley area with his wife. In Desert Sands, he has worked at both Wilson and Paige middle schools as a math teacher and an instructional coach. Mr. Solis has been selected three times as 'Teacher of the Year' and received a Riverside County award for his work with English Language learners. He is in the first cohort of the Desert Sands Leadership Academy (DSLAs), where he is learning how to increase student achievement using world class research based strategies. Mr. Solis believes strongly that all students can learn and be successful in school, which is why he has worked hard to support English Language Learners and students with disabilities in his roles as both an educator. Mrs. Solis, his wife, and their daughter enjoy the outdoors, love to fly fish, and collect fossils.

Mr. Philip Solis thanked the Board of Education, his wife, and child. He is humbled with gratitude for the leadership position he has and looks forward to the challenges and accomplishments ahead.

LaTanya Strange, Assistant Principal, Dr. Carreon Academy & Monroe Elementary School, was born and raised in Los Angeles. She received her bachelor's degree from Cal State Northridge and her Master's in Educational Administration from Cal State San Bernardino where she was selected as the Outstanding Graduate for the Palm Desert Campus in 2007. Currently, she is a third-year Doctoral Candidate at the University of LaVerne's Organizational Leadership program. Mrs. Strange's public school career began in 1996 in the Los Angeles Unified School District. Seven years later, she joined Desert Sands, working first at Hoover Elementary and transferring to Roosevelt Elementary in 2016 as that site's Project Teacher. During her 16 years in this district, Mrs. Strange has served on the PAR (Peer Assistance Review) Council, as a mentor in BTSA (Beginning Teacher Support Assistance), and has been a Teacher of the Year. In her spare time, LaTanya likes dancing, hiking, and serving her church community. Mrs. Strange has been married to Troy Strange for 22 years and they have three children.

Mrs. Strange thanked the Board of Education, Cabinet members, the administrative staff, Dr. Donna Salazar, and Dr. Rebecca Cook for the opportunity. She understands they are trusting her with a tremendous responsibility and thanks both the principals she will work with, Kristie Joiner and Tiffany Norton, as she will learn a lot from them.

Board member Ana Conover thanked everyone at the board meeting and welcomed new staff members. Ms. Conover states it was nice to see leadership academy alumni and the convocation was amazing. There was a lot of energy and emotion when the students went up to speak to thank their teachers, the guest speakers were phenomenal, and tears were flowing freely. Ms. Conover wished everyone a wonderful school year.

Board member Gary Tomak thanked the two Jessica's, Mrs. Koahou and Dr. Mendoza. Dr. Mendoza has a math background and math is one of his favorite things to look at. He congratulates Mr. Solis, Mrs. Knapp, and Mrs. Strange for their new positions and responsibilities, he believes they will be working with great people at Desert Sands Unified School District.

Board member Donald Griffith thanked and welcomed all new employees. Mr. Griffith hopes Desert Sands Unified School District can provide them everything they need to be successful. The Board of Education tries to make sure everyone succeeds at Desert Sands and hopes they find a welcoming environment. For those who promoted, the Board of Education has faith in them as they have done outstanding jobs in the past and they look forward to great things from them.

Vice President Linda Porras congratulated all new employees, those who promoted and the new people who are joining the Desert Sands family. She believes they will do a great job and it will be a wonderful year.

President Wendy Jonathan believes Mrs. Kirsten Knapp will do a great job at Franklin Elementary School with her IB (International Baccalaureate) background and looks forward to seeing her at Franklin Elementary School. President Jonathan shared the staff is equally excited to have her at Franklin Elementary School. President Jonathan

notices Jessica Koahou's little children in the audience and they were introduced to the Board of Education and audience. President Jonathan is excited Dr. Jessica Mendoza is going to Desert Ridge Academy (DRA) as it will be a great opportunity as she has shown to be a great leader. President Jonathan is excited for Mr. Philip Solis, she became a fly fishing lover because he mentioned it to her. President Jonathan looks forward to visiting Mr. Solis and Dr. Mendoza at DRA as they're in an incredible school. Mrs. Jonathan states it is great to see Mrs. Strange going to Monroe and Dr. Carreon Academy elementary schools, she believes Mrs. Strange will do great things.

## **12. Information - N/A**

Minutes:

None this evening.

## **13. Staff Conference Items - N/A**

Minutes:

None this evening.

## **14. Public Hearing - N/A**

Minutes:

None this evening.

## **15. Public Comment On Open Session Items**

Minutes:

Trina Gonzales-Alesi, DSTA President, welcomed everyone to the 2019-2020 school year. The convocation earlier in the morning was great as everyone was able to get together in one place, at one time, and once a year to realize Desert Sands is a team and family. She believes the convocation was powerful for the people who were there. Ms. Gonzales-Alesi shared she attended a trauma informed practices training at Thomas Jefferson Middle School. She knows the training is taking place at many sites and it is done digitally or in person, but since she is not assigned to a site she did not have the training and wanted to sit in on one of them. The district is recognizing the trauma students are going with to school and staff can make a difference in the life of a student as we never know when we can be there for them. She is proud to be able to be a part of the Desert Sands Unified School District. Ms. Gonzales-Alesi stated the June 27, 2019, tentative agreement was resting as there was a school that was out. The standing DSTA rules requires them to hold three different meetings, in three different cities, at three different times, and the meetings will be held on August 19-21, 2019, as they want things done as quickly as possible. Once the meetings are done, electronic voting will open after the last meeting on Wednesday, August 21, 2019, and go through Monday, August 26, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. The electronic vote will be a yes or no vote, so the results should be turned into the district that same evening. She anticipates a "yes" vote to pass the agreement,

allowing the agreement to be presented at the next Board meeting. Ms. Gonzales-Alesi has met with all the new principals, sat down one-on-one with them to let them know about the collaborative relationship they have built over the last two years so they can continue to build on that relationship. Ms. Gonzales-Alesi wants to start the school year positively, with good energy, thanked the Board of Education, and is looking forward to a great year.

## **16. Board and Superintendent Comments**

Minutes:

Board member Ana Conover thanked everyone and shared her statements were made earlier in the meeting and as has nothing to add.

Board member Gary Tomak expressed the convocation was a marvelous event, the speakers were well chosen, and he liked the new mission/vision statements. Mr. Tomak referenced the book, "*Think Big*" by Ben Carson who ran the presidential campaign several years ago, as he too had a similar type of story. Ben Carson came from unfortunate circumstances and did some great things for himself. The book is a great read for students, parents, and teachers. Mr. Tomak shared he attended the La Quinta Blackhawks Football season event, it was a nice first ever kick-off event, and hopes it will continue many years into the future.

Board member Donald Griffith shared he was able to see the first part of the convocation and it was a nice event. Mr. Griffith liked the collared shirt Marcus Wood, Ed.D., has and would like one with the new logo.

Board Vice President Linda Porras believes the convocation was amazing, she loved the heartfelt stories, and seeing the Desert Sands family with the schools represented with their t-shirts. There was an outpouring of love at the convocation, the energy was amazing, it was a beautiful day, and believes it will be an awesome year for everybody. Mrs. Porras went to Indio High School as Dr. Raul Ruiz presented the jersey he wore at the congressional baseball game. Dr. Ruiz presented the jersey to the Indio High School baseball team. Mrs. Porras also shared the Indio High School football scoreboard is either done or almost done and it is really beautiful. She has been taking pictures of it and knows they will have a grand opening presentation with Ed White.

President Wendy Jonathan was at the convocation, as a former teacher, she shared Mr. Griffith was in the district when they used to have convocations in the past. President Jonathan believes this is the most impactful convocation she has attended and was really impressed by it. She likes having everyone together as it sends a message that we are all vested in being successful in the district. Each one of us plays an important part and believes the vision and the message we are sending as a district is incredible. She was really touched when the two students went up to talk to their teachers. As a former teacher, President Jonathan knows teachers don't always get that opportunity. Teachers may tell students how wonderful and special they are, but it's unusual to get that feedback from students, except on the last day of school. She states it was an incredible opportunity to hear the unique stories and knows there is plenty of teachers in the district that could have students giving them praises, but not just teachers, the bus drivers and security too as they are an incredible group of employees. President Jonathan feels blessed to be on the district's Board, she looks forward to a great year and visiting all the schools. On the first day of school, she will be

visiting five schools and knows several administrators and Board members will also visit schools on the first day of instruction.

Superintendent Scott Bailey states he is looking forward to day one of the 2020 school year. Members of the central office and Cabinet members will be visiting schools, every school will be visited on the first day, as they did the year before. They will check in with the administration to see if everything is running smoothly and see if there is anything they can do to help. Superintendent Bailey thanked the associations leadership, he believes convocation was kicked up a notch from last year, based on input from leadership, employees (classified and certificated), as well as, feedback from business and community partners. It was fantastic to have everyone under one roof, he sent kudos to the students who shared their stories. It really emphasized where we are with the new logo, we never know where our impact ends and the ripple effect we have as an educator, every day and moment is an opportunity to develop a relationship which will further the ripple. Superintendent Bailey sends kudos to all staff as they are entrusted in a very powerful way and empowered in a position to affect mankind. He bids everyone a wonderful start of the 2019-2020 school year.

## **17. General Functions - Business Services**

### **17.1. Resolution No. 08/2019-2020, Annual Delegation of Administrative Authority to Process Routine Revisions, Adjustments, and Transfers**

Minutes:

Roll call vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve to adopt Resolution No. 08/2019-2020, Annual Delegation of Administrative Authority to Process Routine Budget Revisions, Adjustments, and Transfers. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **17.2. Resolution No. 09/2019-2020, Authorization for the Education Protection Account Spending Plan**

Minutes:

Roll call vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve to adopt Resolution No. 09/2019-2020, Authorization for the Education Protection Account Spending Plan, in an amount not to exceed \$37,532,028. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan

Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **17.3. Award Bid No.19/20-001 for Warehouse Inventory**

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 17.3-17.7, as a group, with one vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve to award contracts for Bid No.19/20-001 for warehouse inventory to the lowest responsible bids and amounts, before tax, to 123 Office Solution, Inc., \$151,998; ACCO Brands USA LLC, \$7,549.76; Alert Services Inc., \$65.50; Battery Systems Inc., \$480; Cascade School Supplies, \$2,730; Central Sanitary Supply/Rancho Janitorial, \$27,942; Dash Medical Gloves, Inc., \$1,382.40; Liberty Paper, \$36,930; McKesson Medical, \$6,161.31; National Art & School Supplies, \$573.12; Office Depot, Inc., \$26,671.50; P&R Paper Supply Company, \$12,782; Pioneer Chemical Co., \$3,891; Pyramid School Products, \$25,873.24; Quill LLC, \$4,809.36; S&S Worldwide, \$1,888; School Nurses Supply, Inc., \$156; Southwest Binding & Laminating, \$3,840; Southwest School & Office Supply, \$82,542.52; Standard Stationery Supply IL.LLC, \$2,717.48; SupplyMaster, Inc., \$41,130; The Tree House, Inc., \$16,145; Unipak Corporation, \$7,140; US Games, \$9,202; and Waxie Sanitary Supply, \$45,164.72 , to be purchased on an "as-needed" basis, to be paid from the General Fund with all prices fixed for a six-month period, with the option to extend the contract for up to three years. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **17.4. Award Contract for the 335/01F Indio Middle School Modernization Project**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to award contract to Cook Coatings, for Category No. 09, for the 335/01F Indio Middle School Modernization Project, for a total amount of \$544,800, to be paid from the Building Fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **17.5. Award Contracts for the 184/01F Madison Elementary School Modernization Project**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to award contracts to Progressive Surface Solutions, LLC, Bid Package No. 04, in the amount of \$247,000; Franklin Mechanical System, Inc.,

Bid Package No. 07, in the amount of \$723,500; and RIS Electrical Contractors, Inc., Bid Package No. 08, in the amount of \$1,567,000, for the 184/01F Madison Elementary School Modernization Project, for a total amount of \$2,537,500, to be paid from the Building Fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **17.6. Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the County of Riverside**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an agreement between the County of Riverside and the Desert Sands Unified School District for the services of two School Resource Officers effective July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, for an estimated cost of \$331,130, to be paid 50% from the General Fund and 50% from the City of La Quinta. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **17.7. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3320, Business and Noninstructional Operations: CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the first reading of revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3320, Business and Noninstructional Operations: CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **18. General Functions - Educational Services**

#### **18.1. Resolution No. 06/2019-2020, California Department of Education Contract CSPP-9374 for the California State Preschool Program**

Minutes:

Roll call vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve to adopt Resolution No. 06/2019-2020, Agreement with

the California Department of Education Contract Number CSPP-9374 for Desert Sands Unified School District's California State Preschool Program to provide preschool education during the 2019-2020 fiscal year, in the total amount of \$1,250,228. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **18.2. Resolution No. 07/2019-2020, California Department of Education Contract CPKS-9064 for the Prekindergarten and Family Literacy Program**

Minutes:

Roll call vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve to adopt Resolution No. 07/2019-2020, Agreement with California Department of Education Contract Number CPKS-9064 and Early Childhood Education programs to receive funds which will support and promote interactive activities for children and families enrolled in the Prekindergarten and Family Literacy Program during the 2019-2020 fiscal year, in a total amount of \$5,000. Passed with a motion by Ana Conover and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **18.3. School Plan Summaries and Budgets for the 2019-2020 school year for Horizon School and Summit High School**

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 18.3-18.13, as a group, with one vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve the School Plan Summaries and Budgets for Horizon School and Summit High School for the 2019-2020 school year, as submitted. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **18.4. Independent Contractor Agreement with DIGICOM Learning**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with DIGICOM Learning and Educational Services to provide digital storytelling training to designated teachers during the 2019-2020 school year, in an amount not to exceed \$287,000, to be paid from the Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **18.5. Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Implementation Agreement 2019-2020**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Implementation Agreement with Educational Services to prepare students for college and close the achievement gap at the following schools; James Carter, Dr. Carreon, Abraham Lincoln, James Monroe, Ronald Reagan, Theodore Roosevelt and Martin Van Buren elementary schools; Desert Ridge Academy, John Glenn, Indio, La Quinta, Jefferson, and Paige middle schools; and Indio, La Quinta, Palm Desert, and Shadow Hills high schools during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$91,158, to be paid from the Local Control Accountability Plan fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **18.6. Licensing Agreement with Dreambox Learning, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Licensing Agreement with Dreambox Learning, Inc., and Educational Services to provide an online adaptive math program to Carter, Carrillo Ranch, Dr. Carreon, Earhart, Ford, Franklin, Hoover, Jackson, Kennedy, Lincoln, Madison, Monroe, Oliphant, Reagan, Roosevelt, Truman, Van Buren, and Washington Charter elementary schools during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$129,200, to be paid from the Local Control Accountability Plan fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**18.7. Services Agreement with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company, DBA, International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE)**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Services Agreement with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company, DBA, International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE), and Educational Services to provide on-site professional learning and coaching sessions with site leadership and instructional staff during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$40,986, to be paid from Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**18.8. Agreement with Renaissance Learning, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Agreement with Renaissance Learning , Inc., and the State and Federal Programs Office to provide software student licenses at: Carrillo Ranch, Carter, Dr. Carreon, Earhart, Ford, Franklin, Hoover, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Lincoln, Madison, Monroe, Oliphant, Reagan, Roosevelt, Truman, Van Buren, and Washington Charter elementary schools; and Desert Ridge and John Glenn middle schools during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$162,316.13, to be paid from the Title I and Supplemental Concentration funds. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**18.9. Amend Client Agreement with Apex Learning**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to amend the Client Agreement with Apex Learning and Educational Services for an additional 100 licenses to provide digital curriculum products/services through ClassToolsAchieve during the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years, in an additional amount of \$22,500, not to exceed \$312,300, to be paid from the Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**18.10. Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy 5121, Students: GRADES/EVALUATION OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the second reading and adoption of revised Board Policy 5121, Students: GRADES/EVALUATION OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**18.11. Second Reading and Adoption of Revised Board Policy 6154, Instruction: HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the second reading and adoption of revised Board Policy 6154, Instruction: HOMEWORK/MAKEUP WORK. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**18.12. Second Reading and Adoption of New Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6172.1, Instruction: CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN COLLEGE CLASSES**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the second reading and adoption of new Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6172.1, Instruction: CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN COLLEGE CLASSES. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**18.13. First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5113, Students: ABSENCES AND EXCUSES**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the first reading of revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5113, Students: ABSENCES AND EXCUSES. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan

Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

## 19. General Functions - Personnel Services

### 19.1. Independent Contractor Agreement with the National Center on Education and the Economy

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 19.1-19.2 and 19.4-19.5, as a group, with one vote.

Roll call vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with National Center on Education and the Economy for leadership development services, in a total amount not to exceed \$257,250, to be paid from the Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### 19.2. Revised Certificated Job Description for the position of Project Facilitator, Technology

**Motion Passed:** Approve the revised certificated job description for the position of Project Facilitator, Technology, under the direction of Educational Services. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### 19.3. Provisional Internship Permit Request for Certification for an Elementary Classroom Teacher at Jackson Elementary School

Minutes:

Item 19.3, Provisional Internship Permit Request for Certification for an Elementary Classroom Teacher at Jackson Elementary School was voted on separately from the other General Functions for Personnel Services items.

Board member Ana Conover inquired about the dual language kindergarten program. She believes a lot of time and effort is placed on starting the new program and the best practice is to have a fully credentialed teacher in that position. Having a fully

credentialed BLCAD (Bilingual, Crosscultural, Language, and Academic Development) teacher would benefit the program.

Donna Salazar, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent of Personnel Services, states the BCLAD credentials are hard to find as they are in high demand due to the dual language immersion programs. Those stopped in 1998 with the passing of a proposition but they are now coming back again. Mrs. Salazar states the position was flown earlier in the year and no one in the district with a BLCA wants to work in that position. She believes it would not be fruitful to forcefully transfer someone against their will with a BCLAD position into the classroom at Jackson Elementary School. It would not make sense to do that when they have someone who has been doing this since the last school year, the principal wants her there. That person speaks Spanish perfectly and started in the middle of the year, has done an incredible job, and is poised to pass the CSET (California Subject Examinations for Teacher's). The employee has been working as a certificated staff member, and the staff and parents have a lot of faith in her. It is always Personnel's approach and practice to seek fully credentialed teachers before they rely on less than a full credential and agrees with Ms. Conover.

President Jonathan asked if the person, who is under an internship, would be done with the total requirements once she finishes her educational process, be fully vested, and hold that teaching position. Dr. Salazar replied she should complete the process if she passes the third section of the CSET which she will take in the next few weeks to make her intern eligible, but does not have her BCLAD yet. President Jonathan asked what other schools in the county or State of California are doing. Dr. Salazar responded some districts are offering financial incentives to entice people with the credentials, they also do outreach to the places who offer those credentials, but believes the best bet is to offer financial incentives to make it attractive to come to Desert Sands. At one point, there was a teacher from Coachella Valley Unified School District who accepted the position and then withdrew from the acceptance as she wanted to individually negotiate her own salary and that cannot be done as it goes against our CBA (Collective Bargaining Agreement) which states all teachers make the same amount in step/column, so she withdrew.

**Motion Passed:** Approve the Provisional Internship Permit Request for Certification for an Elementary Classroom Teacher at Jackson Elementary School, during the 2019-2020 school year, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

No Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **19.4. Variable Term Waiver Request for the Certificate of Completion of Staff Development (EL Authorization) for Career Technical Education - Health Science and Medical Technology**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Variable Term Waiver Request for the Certificate of Completion of Staff Development (EL Authorization) for a Career Technical Education Health Science and Medical Technology teacher at La Quinta High School, during the 2019-2020 school year, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**19.5. Deletion of Board Policy, Administrative Regulation, and Exhibit 4112.24, Personnel: TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS UNDER THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to delete Board Policy, Administrative Regulation, and Exhibit 4112.24, Personnel: TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS UNDER THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**20. General Functions - Student Support Services**

**20.1. Independent Contractor Agreement with EBS Healthcare, Inc.**

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 20.1-20.5, as a group, with one vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with EBS Healthcare, Inc., to provide Psychologists, Occupational Therapists and Deaf and Hard of Hearing Teachers during the 2019-2020 school year, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**20.2. Independent Contractor Agreement with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., to provide healthcare services for medically fragile students

during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$125,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **20.3. Amendment with Collaborative Learning Solutions, LLC**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to amend Contract for Services with Collaborative Learning Solutions, LLC, to provide additional training, coaching, and professional development during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$236,000, to be paid from the Learning Communities for School Success Program grant fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **20.4. Memorandum of Understanding with Coachella Valley Adult School**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Coachella Valley Adult School to provide adult education from June 27, 2019, to June 30, 2020, in a total amount not to exceed \$270,604, paid by the Adult Education Block Grant through the Desert Regional Consortium. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **20.5. Agreement with Soday System by Winsor Learning, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a purchase Agreement for the Soday System by Winsor Learning, Inc., a reading curriculum for Special Education students in middle and high school, during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$46,897, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras

Yes Gary Tomak

## 21. General Functions - Superintendent - N/A

## 22. Consent Items Student Matters

### 22.1. Reinstate Student #18/19-01

**Motion Passed:** Accept the recommendation that the Board of Education reinstate Student #18/19-01 to the Desert Sands Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### 22.2. Reinstate Student #18/19-30

**Motion Passed:** Accept the recommendation that the Board of Education reinstate Student #18/19-30 to the Desert Sands Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### 22.3. Reinstate Student #18/19-70

**Motion Passed:** Accept the recommendation that the Board of Education reinstate Student #18/19-70 to the Desert Sands Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### 22.4. Reinstate Student #18/19-71

**Motion Passed:** Accept the recommendation that the Board of Education reinstate Student #18/19-71 to the Desert Sands Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan

Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **22.5. Reinstate Student #18/19-93**

**Motion Passed:** Accept the recommendation that the Board of Education reinstate Student #18/19-93 to the Desert Sands Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **22.6. Reinstate Student #2018004**

**Motion Passed:** Accept the recommendation that the Board of Education reinstate Student #2018004 to the Desert Sands Unified School District. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Linda Porras.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

## **23. Consent Items - Business Services**

### **23.1. Award contract to Converse Consultants, for Environmental Assessor Services for the 188/03F Ford Elementary School Modernization Project**

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 23.1-23.10, as a group, with one vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve to award contract to Converse Consultants, for environmental assessor services for the 188/03F Ford Elementary School Modernization, in the amount of \$5,500, to be paid from the Building Fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **23.2. Award contract to Leighton Consulting, Inc., for Environmental Assessor Services for the 224/01F Lincoln Elementary School Modernization Project**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to award contract to Leighton Consulting, Inc., for environmental assessor services for the 224/01F Lincoln Elementary School Modernization, in the amount of \$31,305.80, to be paid from the Building Fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **23.3. Award Contract to WLC Architects, Inc., for Architectural Services for the Early Childhood Education Program Shade Structure Project at the Eisenhower Community Learning Center**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to award contract to WLC Architects, Inc., for architectural services for the Early Childhood Education Program Shade Structure Project at the Eisenhower Community Learning Center, in the amount of \$10,500, to be paid from the Head Start Fund. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **23.4. Agreement with Metro K-9 Security Services**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an agreement with Metro K-9 Security Services for contraband and explosive/weapons detection inspection services utilizing non-aggressive detection canines, at the district's middle and high schools, for the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$12,000, to be paid from the General Fund, with Palm Desert Charter Middle School visits to be paid from school site funds. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **23.5. Public Speaking Service Agreement with Patrick Mulick**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Public Speaking Service Agreement with Patrick Mulick to provide professional development training for bus drivers and paraeducators, on August 19, 2019, for a total amount not to exceed \$4,400, to be paid from Supplemental and Concentration funding. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**23.6. Piggyback Purchase through California Multiple Award Schedule Contract #4-19-78-0094A to Multimedia LED, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve piggyback purchases through California Multiple Award Schedule Contract #4-19-78-0094A to Multimedia LED, Inc., for a replacement marquee at Carter Elementary School, for a total amount of \$31,445, to be paid from the General Fund, and for future products and services on an as-needed basis, not to exceed budget appropriations. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**23.7. Piggyback Purchases through National IPA Contract #120535 to The Toro Company**

**Motion Passed:** Approve piggyback purchases through National IPA Contract #120535 to The Toro Company, for the purchase of a Groundsmaster 5900 mower, for a total amount of \$109,439.71, to be paid from the General Fund, and for future purchases of grounds and maintenance equipment, parts, and supplies on an as-needed basis, with pricing to remain firm through March 31, 2022, with the option to extend the agreement for two additional years, not to exceed budget appropriations. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**23.8. Declare Surplus and Authorize Sale and/or Disposal of District Property**

**Motion Passed:** Approve declaration of surplus items, per the attached list, and authorize the Director of Purchasing Services to dispose of items pursuant to Education Code section 17545(b), Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3270, Business and Noninstructional Operations: SALE AND DISPOSAL OF BOOKS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith

Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **23.9. Report of Purchases and Contracts for July 2019**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to accept report of purchases and contracts for the period of July 1-31, 2019, in the amount of \$20,022,542.54. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **23.10. Donations**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to accept donations, in the total estimated value of \$31,978. Passed with a motion by Gary Tomak and a second by Donald Griffith.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

## **24. Consent Items - Educational Services**

### **24.1. Independent Contractor Agreement with Desert Recreation District First Tee Drive Golf program**

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 24.1-24.19, as a group, with one vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Desert Recreation District and Educational Services to provide The First Tee Drive Golf program at Carrillo Ranch, Dr. Reynaldo J. Carreon, Benjamin Franklin, Herbert Hoover, Andrew Jackson, Lyndon B. Johnson, John F. Kennedy, Abraham Lincoln, James Madison, Richard R. Oliphant, Theodore Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, and Martin Van Buren elementary schools during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$6,010, to be paid from the After School Education and Safety program grant fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras

Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.2. Letter of Agreement with Cardea Services**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Letter of Agreement with Cardea Services and Educational Services to provide Positive Prevention Plus training to selected middle/high school teachers during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$9,000, to be paid from Common Core fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.3. Customer Agreement with Curriculum Associates, LLC**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Customer Agreement with Curriculum Associates, LLC, and Educational Services to pilot the i-Ready adaptive Diagnostic and online lessons for reading and math, and provide professional development at Dr. Carreon, Jackson, Kennedy, Reagan, and Van Buren elementary schools; Indio and Thomas Jefferson middle schools; and Indio High School during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$71,979.90, to be paid from the Title I fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.4. Agreement for Consulting Services with Educational Innovations, LLC**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Agreement for Consulting Services with Educational Innovations, LLC, and Educational Services to provide 61 days of professional development services on the implementation of the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) to elementary school coaches and teachers during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$97,600, to be paid from Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.5. Consulting Services Agreement with enVision Consulting Group, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Consulting Services Agreement with enVision

Consulting Group, Inc., and Educational Services to prepare 2018-2019 School Accountability Report Cards for 33 schools, in a total amount not to exceed \$12,625, to be paid from the General fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.6. Professional Training and Development Agreement with Frog Street**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an agreement with Frog Street and the Early Childhood Education programs to provide a professional training to staff on August 23, 2019, in a total amount not to exceed \$750, to be paid from the Head Start and the California State Preschool Program funds. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.7. Letter of Agreement with Kagan Professional Development at Ronald Reagan Elementary School**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Letter of Agreement with Kagan Professional Development and Ronald Reagan Elementary School to provide professional development to staff to implement Cooperative Learning Strategies to engage and increase student achievement during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$3,674, to be paid from the site's Title I fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.8. Agreement with Project Lead The Way (PLTW), Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an agreement with Project Lead The Way, Inc., and Educational Services to prepare students for a global economy by providing an aligned curriculum at Truman Elementary School, La Quinta Middle School, and Indio, Palm Desert, and Shadow Hills high schools in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) curriculum during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$14,500, to be paid from the Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.9. Purchase Agreement with Solution Tree, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Purchase Agreement with Solution Tree, Inc., and Educational Services to provide professional development to teachers, site leadership, and district administrators focusing on Professional Learning Communities (PLC) at Work during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$66,400, to be paid from the district's Supplemental Concentration fund and participating school site funds. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.10. Amendment to Customer Agreement with CatchOn, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to amend the Customer Agreement with CatchOn, Inc., and the Technology department to include the California Assembly Bill 1584 (AB 1584), at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.11. Memorandum of Understanding with the Boys and Girls Club of Coachella Valley**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Boys and Girls Club of Coachella Valley and Educational Services to provide quality standards through various activities for students at Desert Ridge and Jefferson middle schools during the 2019-2020 school year, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.12. Memorandum of Understanding with the Carolyn E. Wylie Center**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Carolyn E. Wylie Center and the Early Childhood Education programs to provide parenting support strategies to increase positive parent-child interactions and strengthen parent-child relationships, during the 2019-2020 program year, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.13. Memorandum of Understanding with Desert Recreation District**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Desert Recreation District and Educational Services to provide quality standards through various activities for students at Carrillo, Dr. Carreon, Franklin, Hoover, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Lincoln, Madison, Oliphant, Roosevelt, Truman, and Van Buren elementary schools, and Indio Middle school in the After School Education and Safety program during the 2019-2020 school year, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.14. Memorandum of Understanding Agreement with The Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE)**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with The Parent Institute for Quality Education and Indio High School to provide a nine-week training course to parents of English Learner students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$11,000, to be paid from the site's Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.15. Memorandum of Understanding with Red Hot Ballroom, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Red Hot Ballroom Inc., and Educational Services to provide Ballroom and Latin dance instruction to elementary/middle school students enrolled in the After School

Education and Safety program during the 2019-2020 school year, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.16. Memorandum of Understanding with Tools for Tomorrow**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Tools for Tomorrow and Educational Services to provide a writing, art, music, and drama after school program for 3rd-5th grade students at Andrew Jackson, Lyndon Johnson, Abraham Lincoln, Ronald Reagan, Harry Truman, and Martin Van Buren elementary schools during the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, and 2021-2022 school years, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.17. Anderson Children's Foundation Grant Award to Dr. Carreon Academy**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to accept the Anderson Children's Foundation grant award for Dr. Carreon Academy to purchase equipment for the yearbook club and support students digital arts program, during the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$14,885. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.18. Anderson Children's Foundation Grant Award to James Carter Elementary School**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to accept the grant award from the Anderson Children's Foundation grant award for James Carter Elementary School to purchase equipment and supplies for 2nd-5th grade students violin program during the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$14,893. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras

Yes Gary Tomak

#### **24.19. Grant Award Notification for the Career Technical Education Incentive Grant**

**Motion Passed:** Approve to accept the grant award notification from the California Department of Education for the Career Technical Education Incentive Grant for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$648,520.30. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **25. Consent Items - Personnel Services**

##### **25.1. Fieldwork Agreement with the University of Southern California**

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 25.1-25.3, as a group, with one vote.

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Agreement with the University of Southern California to provide field experience for teaching candidates, from August 20, 2019, to June 30, 2020, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

##### **25.2. Independent Contractor Agreement with Consultant Daniel E. Kenley**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Daniel E. Kenley, to provide one-day of Professional Development to on classroom management to guest teachers, on October 12, 2019, in a total amount not to exceed \$3,000, to be paid from the Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **25.3. Memorandum of Understanding with the Riverside County Office of Education, Center for Teacher Innovation, Education Specialist District Intern Program**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Riverside County Office of Education, Center for Teacher Innovation, Education Specialist District Intern Program to provide on-site intern support from July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2021, at no cost to the district. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **26. Consent Items - Student Support Services**

#### **26.1. Independent Contractor Agreement with Richard Addison, dba, Southern California Psycho-Educational Services**

Minutes:

Board members took action to approve items 26.1-26.17, as a group, with one vote.

Board member Gary Tomak thanked Mrs. Laura Fisher, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services, for the tremendous amount of work and it is well recognized.

President Wendy Jonathan used to be involved with the Jewish Family Services of the Desert, she likes to see when they are involved in the schools and appreciates that a lot.

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Richard Addison, dba, Southern California Psycho-Educational Services, to provide independent psycho-educational assessments to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$5,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **26.2. Independent Contractor Agreement with Augmentative Communication Therapies**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Augmentative Communication Therapies to provide Assistive Technology and/or Augmentative Communication evaluations, and other related services during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$5,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.3. Independent Contractor Agreement with Capstone Psychological Services, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Capstone Psychological Services, Inc., to provide independent psychoeducational assessments during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$11,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.4. Independent Contractor Agreement with Center for Learning & Behavioral Solutions, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Center for Learning & Behavioral Solutions, Inc., to provide Independent Educational Evaluations (IEE) to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$10,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.5. Independent Contractor Agreement with Easy Speech Pathology, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Easy Speech Pathology, Inc., to provide Independent Speech/Language Educational Evaluations to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$5,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.6. Independent Contractor Agreement with Educational Testing and Assessment, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Educational Testing and Assessment, Inc., to provide Independent Educational Evaluations to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$14,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.7. Independent Contractor Agreement with Goodwill Industries of Orange County, California, DBA, Assistive Technology Exchange Center**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Goodwill Industries of Orange County, California, DBA, Assistive Technology Exchange Center, to provide assistive technology services to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$6,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.8. Independent Contractor Agreement with Haynes Family of Programs, Inc., DBA, S.T.A.R. Academy**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Haynes Family of Programs, Inc., DBA, S.T.A.R. Academy, to provide academic tutoring for a Special Education student as outlined in a settlement agreement during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$30,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan

Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **26.9. Independent Contractor Agreement with Individualized Educational Psychology, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Individualized Educational Psychology, Inc., to provide independent psycho-educational assessments to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$6,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **26.10. Independent Contractor Agreement with Judy Morgan, M.S. CCC/SLP, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Judy Morgan, M.S. CCC/SLP, Inc., to provide an Independent Speech/Language Educational Evaluation to a Special Education student during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$3,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **26.11. Independent Contractor Agreement with Dr. Pedro Olvera, Psychology Consultant**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Dr. Pedro Olvera, Psychology Consultant, to provide Independent Educational Evaluations (IEE) to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$10,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.12. Independent Contractor Agreement with Professional Tutors of America, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Professional Tutors of America, Inc., to provide academic tutoring for a Special Education student as outlined in a settlement agreement during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$7,500, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.13. Independent Contractor Agreement with Douglas W. Stephey, O.D., Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Douglas W. Stephey, O.D., Inc., to provide comprehensive vision care for Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in an amount not to exceed \$6,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.14. Independent Contractor Agreement with Synapse Advanced Audiology, Inc.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Synapse Advanced Audiology, Inc., to provide Independent Educational Evaluations to Special Education students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$3,000, to be paid from the Special Education fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

**26.15. General Service Agreement with Addiction Treatment Technologies, LLC, DBA: Care Solace**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a General Service Agreement with Addiction Treatment Technologies, LLC, DBA: Care Solace, to provide mental health services to students during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$28,700, 50% reimbursement from Riverside County University Behavioral Health Department and

50% from the district Local Education Agency (LEA) grant. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **26.16. Memorandum of Understanding with Jewish Family Services of the Desert - Lincoln**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Jewish Family Services of the Desert to provide bilingual counseling services to Abraham Lincoln Elementary School students and families to promote and support a successful school experience during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$13,260, to be paid from the site's Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **26.17. Memorandum of Understanding with Jewish Family Services of the Desert - Van Buren**

**Motion Passed:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Jewish Family Services of the Desert to provide bilingual counseling services to Martin Van Buren Elementary School students and families to promote and support a successful school experience during the 2019-2020 school year, in a total amount not to exceed \$24,500, to be paid from the site's Supplemental Concentration fund. Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

#### **27. Consent Items - Superintendent - N/A**

Minutes:

None this evening.

## 28. Personnel Actions-Certificated

### 28.1. Certificated Personnel

Minutes:

Under agenda item #17 and # 18, Personnel Services is pleased to recommend the appointment of Katherine Urmanski to the position of assistant principal at Earhart Elementary School and Kevin Bibo to the position of Director, College and Career Readiness.

Board member Gary Tomak states it is sad to see talent leave the district but it is also good to recognize and congratulate those who make it to the finish line as well.

Board member Ana Conover shared one of the names of the guest speakers was a student of hers several years ago and it was nice to see as she wanted to be a teacher.

Board Member Gary Tomak recognized and congratulated retiring employees - Wayne Merino from John Glenn Middle School after 18 years of service, Carol Ramirez from La Quinta High School after 18 years of service, Lisa Schwarlose from Palm Desert High School after 22 years of service, and Diane Vitsaras from Ford Elementary School after 26 years of service.

**Motion Passed:** Approve certificated personnel action items, as listed under the date of August 20, 2019. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Gary Tomak.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

## 29. Personnel Actions - Classified

### 29.1. Classified Personnel

Minutes:

Under agenda items #30 to #32, Personnel Services is pleased to recommend the appointment of Elena Labastida, Maria Regla-Cuevas, and Henry Villeda to the position of mental health therapists.

Board member Gary Tomak recognized and congratulates retiring employees - Paul Guzman from Maintenance & Operations after 17 years of service, Shirley Johnson from Dr. Carreon Academy after 13 years of service, and Kathleen Miller from Fiscal Services after 24 years of service.

**Motion Passed:** Approve classified personnel action items, as listed under the date of August 20, 2019. Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover.

Yes Ana Conover  
Yes Donald Griffith  
Yes Wendy Jonathan  
Yes Linda Porras  
Yes Gary Tomak

### **30. Call out of Closed Session Actions**

Minutes:

Superintendent Scott Bailey reported the following action taken in closed session by the Board of Education agenda item # 3.2 - Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.

In closed session, the Board took action to accept the suspension of certificated employee, teacher, employee # 240022, under the terms of a settlement agreement.

Roll call vote.

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Linda Porras and a second by Ana Conover. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Scott Bailey reported the following action taken in closed session by the Board of Education agenda item # 3.4 - General Release Agreement SSS# 01/2019-2020.

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Scott Bailey reported the following action taken in closed session by the Board of Education agenda item # 3.5 - General Release Agreement SSS# 02/2019-2020.

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Scott Bailey reported the following action taken in closed session by the Board of Education agenda item # 3.6 - General Release Agreement SSS# 03/2019-2020.

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Donald Griffith and a second by Gary Tomak. Motion carried 5-0.

### **31. Suggestions for Future Agendas that Receive at Least 3 Votes**

Minutes:

31. Suggestions for Future Agendas that Receive at Least 3 Votes

Board member Gary Tomak would like to hold a discussion in the next few months about the math program in the district. When he looked at the data that was greatly presented at the last board meeting, it still shows that 18 of the 20 elementary schools declined in their academic performance, the middle school and high schools have also declined. He believes that when something like that is seen, it's systemic, it isn't an individual person, classroom, parent, or school. It needs to be looked at, across the district across, would like to see what is being done, and what can be done better.

President Wendy Jonathan states there are nods on the dais and believes it would be appropriate to get a report with data and what is planned for on teacher professional development.

Vice President Linda Porras shared when she visited Indio High School (IHS), she noticed the lunch area is not covered. Students sit at lunch area when the weather reaches up to 120 degrees and knows they have older canvases they can use so it doesn't have to be a cost. Mrs. Porras believes the students deserve to have some type of shade. She doesn't know if an agenda item is needed but would like to have that looked into and get it done.

President Wendy Jonathan shared she would like a report. She states Palm Desert High School and La Quinta High School are covered and was surprised Indio did have this done when they rebuilt Indio High School. Mrs. Porras shared some of the lunch tables are old and need to be repainted or redone, she doesn't know if there is specific monies or if fundraising is needed. It is a new school and beautiful with no lunch shade coverage for students. Mrs. Jonathan asked the district to check if other schools need shade coverage in their lunch areas as Ford Elementary School has also talked about a problem in the lunch area as well.

### **32. Announcements**

Minutes:

The first day of school is Thursday, August 22, 2019. President Jonathan thanked Superintendent Bailey for having administrators visit schools on the first day of instruction. This is something new under Superintendent Bailey's tutelage and President Jonathan appreciates it, it sends a message the district cares about schools and is vested in them.

### **33. Reconvene to Closed Session If Needed**

### **34. Adjournment**

Minutes:

The Board adjourned at 7:57 p.m.