

# **Escalon Unified School District**

**Board of Education**

**November 05, 2019; 7:00 PM**

**Location: District Office**

## **Minutes**

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

Present:

Madison Bavaro

Nicholas Caton

Martha Coelho

John Largent

Kate Powell

Richard Thompson

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

### **2. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

### **3. CLOSED SESSION**

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

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

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

#### **3.4. Stipulated Expulsion 19-20-01**

#### **3.5. Student Discipline 19-20-02**

#### **3.6. Adjourn closed session**

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

Minutes:

7:02pm

### **5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Minutes:  
Recited

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

Minutes:

In reference to student #19-20-01, the Escalon Unified School District Board of Education voted that the student be placed on a suspended expulsion from all schools in Escalon Unified School District for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year for the violations of Ed. Code 48900(a)(1). While on the suspended expulsion, the student must adhere to the following stipulations:

- a. Student shall enroll in Vista High School's  
Independent Study Program
- b. Student shall attend a weekly appointment at Vista High School
- c. Student shall be accompanied by an adult when attending the weekly  
appointment at Vista High School
- d. Student shall not miss any weekly Vista high School appointments
- e. Student shall earn a minimum of 6 credits every two-week period
- f. Student shall not enter or otherwise come upon the campus of any  
District school or attend any District event  
including off campus athletic events.

If student fails to adhere to any of the stipulations listed, the Superintendent or designee shall have the power to revoke the Governing Board's suspension of this expulsion order and the student shall be expelled for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

Richard Thompson second, motion passed unanimously.

In reference to student #19-20-02, the Escalon Unified School District Board of Education voted to expel student from all schools in Escalon Unified School District through the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year for violations of Ed. Code 48900(a)(2).

The following conditions must be met prior to the date set for review for re-admission to the Escalon Unified School District:

- a. Student shall enroll in a San Joaquin county Alternative Education Program for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.
- b. Student shall maintain 90% attendance in alternative education program.
- c. Student shall have no violations of Ed. Code 48900 while attending the alternative education program.

John Largent second, motion passed unanimously.

## **7. ADDITION TO THE AGENDA**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa requested 13.3.4 on the Consent Agenda be changed from Bus Driver/Other, MOT/EHS to Bus Driver, MOT.

## **8. REPORTS**

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

Minutes:

Student Board Representative Madison Bavaro reported on events taking place at Escalon High School. Red Ribbon week activities were a success. Prom and Grad Night are in the works. Friday is the Veterans Day rally.

### **8.2. EUSD Communication Survey**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa reported on the Communication Survey 2019. The survey was distributed via the following:

- \* District and school site websites
- \* Text message to families
- \* Phone message to families
- \* Email to employees
- \* District Newsletter
- \* District Facebook post & promotion within 10 mile radius

The report indicated there were 165 participants and the results are as follows:

- \* 81.9% parent or family member of a student
- \* 7.3% teacher
- \* 4.2% community member, not a parent or staff member
- \* 2.4% site support
- \* 2.4% site administrator
- \* 1.8% district support

Since 2017 the district has added district newsletter that is sent out monthly and added a district Facebook page, which now has more than 1400 followers.

## **9. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa reported the board should have received the annual Williams report for Dent Elementary. There were no issues in regards to instructional materials, the school accountability report card or teacher mis-assignments. There were no uniform complains, and facility issues are being addressed through the modernization of Dent.

## **10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa reported the Van Allen Elementary well drilling is complete and now the well needs to be developed and hooked up to Van Allen's water system.

CFW is completing the district facilities plan to determine the amount of a potential bond measure for EUSD.

Superintendent Costa participated in interviews for 20 Stanislaus County Single subject teacher candidates. It was a very productive evening, with connections made with several good teacher candidates.

John Lial, Director of MOT is compiling information on upgrading the track and football field.

The Leadership Team worked on a "Communicating During an Emergency" sheet. This will be shared with parents to outline how the district will communicate when the school district has an emergency.

## **11. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS**

Minutes:

George Megenney, Principal of Colleeville and Farmington Elementary reported on events taking place at both of his sites. The Harvest Festival was a huge success at Colleeville. The PTC raised approximately \$2600. Farmington is having a Movie Night on Friday, November 8th. Both of his sites are participating in Success on Saturday's. Both of his sites will be having an attendance assembly this month.

Anthony Varni, Principal of Dent Elementary reported construction as Dent is going well, with the parking lot now completed. Assistant Principal Mr. Fyke has been instrumental with the traffic flow and student safety. The first ELAC meeting will be held Wednesday, November 6th. A flag folding ceremony will take place on Thursday, November 7th.

Jennifer Klopatek-Driscoll, Principal of Gateway Academy reported that Cindy Moreno has been working with the Senior Center to facilitate a student visit. Wendy Merseth lead the Science Fair, and it was very successful. She and several of her teachers attended a PLC conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. She thanked the board for their approval to attend.

Julio Zambrano, Principal of Van Allen Elementary reported his site had a successful staff meeting recently with ELD as the topic. Report cards are ready and being reviewed. The Harvest Festival was a huge success again this year. Van Allen recently was victim to theft, but PTC came to the rescue to restore the losses. A clothing rack was recently donated, which has been very helpful with lost and found items.

Mark Vos, Principal of El Portal Middle School reported the recent school assembly was a success, which focused on achievement, growth and citizenship. His site is working on recognizing students who normally wouldn't be recognized. PLC's are in full swing at EPMS. The ELAC meeting was a success, with 50 attendees.

Gustavo Arzac, Principal of Vista High School reported attendance is back up again at his site. Credit recovery for students is going very well. Vista had another student recently graduate.

Eric Simoni, Principal of Escalon High School reported there will be a Drama production next week. This week there will be a Veterans Day rally. The Volleyball team is playing Calaveras tonight. James Mousalimas, San Joaquin County Superintendent recently visited the First Responder program at EHS. The Computer program will be going to visit Amazon.

## **12. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:

Anthony Varni spoke on behalf of the Escalon Educational Foundation. He stated there are still tickets available for the Edible Expo taking place on November 16, 2019. He encouraged everyone to attend this great event.

Sergio Morales, parent of a Dent Elementary student spoke on a recent flu clinic he recently participated in. He encouraged EUSD to participate in something like this in the future. The clinic was able to obtain signed permission slips and vaccinate over 150 students in one day. It is a great opportunity for families who may be struggling economically.

## **13. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion Passed:** 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

### **13.1. Approval of Minutes, October 15, 2019**

### **13.2. Retirements/Resignations**

**13.2.1. Michael Elliott, Bus Driver/Other Duties, MOT, effective 11/01/2019**

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

**13.3.1. Alicia Lopez Villalobos, Cafeteria Assistant, Dent Elementary, effective 11/06/2019**

**13.3.2. Laura Cenicerros, Cafeteria Assistant, Dent Elementary, effective 11/06/2019**

**13.3.3. Jose Sanchez, Technology Coordinator, District Office, effective 11/06/2019**

**13.3.4. Miguel Medina Ramirez, Bus Driver/Other, MOT/EHS, effective 11/06/2019**

#### **14. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **14.1. Consider Approval of Resolution 19-20-08 to Continue Joint Powers Authority Membership - School Project for Utility Rate Reduction (SPURR)**

**Motion Passed:** Administration recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees approve Resolution 19-20-08 - To Continue Joint Powers Authority Membership - School Project for Utility Rate Reduction (SPURR). Passed with a motion by John Largent and a second by Richard Thompson.

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

##### **14.2. Consider Approval of the 2019-20 Unrepresented Public Disclosure**

**Motion Passed:** Administration recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees approve the State mandated "Public Disclosure Statement" of the costs of the 2019-20 agreement reached between Escalon Unified School District and Unrepresented Groups (including certificated management, nurse, classified management and classified confidential). 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

##### **14.3. Consider Approval of a Salary Increase for the Unrepresented Employee Groups (Confidential, Classified Management and Certificated Management)**

**Motion Passed:** The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Approve the Proposed Salary Increase for the Unrepresented Employee Groups. Passed with a motion by Nicholas Caton and a second by John Largent.

Yes Nicholas Caton

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

**14.4. Consider Approval for Collegeville and Farmington Elementary 5th Grade Students to Attend an Overnight Field Trip to the U.S.S. Hornet in Alameda, CA**

Minutes:

Passed with a motion by Madison Bavaro and a second by Nick Caton.

Yes Nicholas Caton

Yes Martha Coelho

Yes John Largent

Yes Kate Powell

Yes Richard Thompson

**14.5. Consider Approval for District Coaches to Attend an Out of State Conference**

**Motion Passed:** The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Approve District Coaches Attend an Out of State Conference 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

**14.6. Consider Approval of Updated Stipend Positions at Escalon High School**

**Motion Passed:** The Administration Recommends the Escalon Unified School District Board of Trustees Approve the Updated Stipends for Escalon High School Passed with a motion by Nicholas Caton and a second by Richard Thompson.

Yes Nicholas Caton  
Yes Martha Coelho

Yes John Largent  
Yes Kate Powell  
Yes Richard Thompson

#### **14.7. Consider Approval of Superintendent's Contract**

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

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

### **15. INFORMATION**

#### **15.1. CSEA Initial Bargaining Proposal for 2019-2020 Negotiations**

Minutes:

Superintendent Costa informed the board on the CSEA sunshine proposal for 2019-2020 negotiations. The first negotiations session is scheduled for November 18, 2019.

### **16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Minutes:

Board Clerk Nick Caton commented on the recent passing of Art Toy, an Escalon Community Member. He was always very supportive of Escalon students.

The board congratulated the schools on a great job with the Harvest Festivals.

### **17. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **17.1. November**

## **17.2. December**

### **18. ADJOURNMENT**

Minutes:

8:07pm adjourned open session

8:12pm went into closed session

8:42pm adjourned closed session- no report

8:43pm adjourned