

Arcadia Unified School District  
Board of Education Meeting - **Unadopted Minutes**  
January 14, 2020, 7:00 PM  
Arcadia Education Center  
District Boardroom  
150 South Third Avenue, Arcadia, CA 91006  
Closed Session - 6:30 p.m. - Superintendent's Conference Room  
Regular Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Boardroom

**I. OPENING BUSINESS**

I.a. CALL TO ORDER: The Board President called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm

I.b. ROLL CALL: All Board Members were present

I.c. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

**II. CLOSED SESSION**

II.a. The Board of Education will meet in Closed Session as provided for in California Government Code Section 54947.6 to discuss negotiations with the District's representative, Superintendent, Dr. David Vannasdall.

**III. RECONVENE TO SPECIAL MEETING AND REPORT OUT:**

The Board President reconvened the meeting and reported no action was taken during the closed session.

**IV. ADJOURN:**

The Board President adjourned the meeting at 6:55 pm

**V. OPENING BUSINESS**

V.a. CALL TO ORDER: The Board President called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

V.b. ROLL CALL: All Board Members were present

V.c. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mrs. Phillipi

V.d. INSPIRATION: Mr. Eng

V.e. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion:** To approve the agenda as presented

**By:** Mrs. Kinsler

**Second:** Mr. Nguyen

**Vote:** 5/0

V.f. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION: No action was taken

V.g. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: No audience comments

#### V.h. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student Representative, Conner Hua, and representatives from ASB provided an update on current and upcoming activities at Arcadia High School.

#### V.i. PRESENTATION: NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL - LONGLEY WAY ELEMENTARY

Dr. Vannasdall gave a brief introduction, he explained the staff at a school will do the work to be recognized as a Blue Ribbon School. It is like putting yourself through an audit, the staff submits a report to be evaluated against other schools nationally.

Dr. Forsee shared that there were 132,000 schools eligible to receive the award and that 312 were selected nationally. Longley Way was one of 30 schools to receive it for the State of California.

Mr. Long, Principal of Longley Way Elementary, introduced the staff that worked on the application and those that were able to go to Washington D.C. to receive the award. He shared how proud he is of his staff for the work on this award and for all they do for the students at the school. He thanked the Board and Administration for their support.

### VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

#### VI.a. STRATEGIC ARTS PLAN

Staff from the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020, Visual and Performing Arts SWAG team gave a brief PowerPoint presentation to provide information on their Strategic Arts Plan. They shared highlights from the beginning of the group, their goals, accomplishments, and future plans.

#### VI.b. WILLIAMS SETTLEMENT: QUARTERLY UNIFORM COMPLAINT REPORT SUMMARY

Dr. Forsee reported we did not receive any complaints for the second quarter of the 2019-2020 school year.

### VII. CONSENT ITEMS

**Motion:** To take consent agenda items VII.a. - VII.j. together and approve as presented.

**By:** Mrs. Chavez

**Second:** Mr. Eng

**Vote:** 5/0

VII.a. PURCHASE ORDER REPORT NO. 10

VII.b. BUDGET TRANSFERS AND ADJUSTMENTS 2019-2020 NO. 7

VII.c. GIFT OFFER REPORT NO. 6

VII.d. SPECIAL AGREEMENT REPORT NO. 10

VII.e. PERSONNEL ACTION REPORT NO. 8

VII.f. FIELD TRIP APPROVAL REPORT NO. 6

- VII.g. BOARD POLICY 5144: STUDENT DISCIPLINE (REVISION / SECOND READING)  
VII.h. NOTICE OF COMPLETION: NEW CONDUIT AND WIRE SERVICES FOR NEW BASEBALL SCOREBOARD AT ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL  
VII.i. BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019  
VII.j. BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

### **VIII. COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS, SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF**

#### Board Member Mr. Eng

Shared that he felt the recent Elementary Holiday performances he attended were the highlights of the year.

The recent Spaghetti Dinner was a great event to showcase the talented students and directors, he was excited to hear that the Marching Band will be in the next Rose Parade.

#### Board Member Mr. Nguyen

Stated that the Elementary School Holiday performances he attended were great.

He enjoyed the recent annual Spaghetti Dinner, the students are so talented and Floor and Decor was a fantastic sponsor for the event.

He shared that he just got back from the annual PTA Legislation Day in Sacramento. The group was able to meet and speak with Assemblymember Chau, about current educational programs and funding. The new budget being put out by the Governor is taking away some special education funding. He is looking forward to hearing from the AUSD delegates that attended the event at an upcoming board meeting. Some of the delegates were DCI students, and he hopes everyone gets a chance to view their podcasts.

#### Board Member Mrs. Chavez

Stated it was exciting to see so many staff members at the meeting to celebrate the Blue Ribbon Award for Longley Way Elementary.

She liked the Strategic Arts Plan presentation from the Visual & Performing Arts SWAG team. She stated she attended the High School Holiday Assembly, and various Elementary School Holiday Programs, and she enjoyed them all.

She gave an AEF update by sharing that the chosen summer school sites are Baldwin Stocker Elementary, Dana Middle, and Arcadia High, they plan to have catalogs out to families early March with registration starting the end of March.

She concluded her remarks by thanking Mr. Nguyen and Mrs. Kinsler for attending the PTA Legislation Day in Sacramento, stating it is another fine example of “Better Together” based on how many people attend on behalf of AUSD each year.

Board Member Mrs. Kinsler

She stated she was excited to spend the time with the group up in Sacramento for the PTA Legislation Day, it is a large group of Parents, Students, and the Board of Education Members. They were able to speak with Assemblyman Chau about paying down PERS and STRS, and about stopping unfunded mandates. They talked about the new Proposition 13 and that PTA is supporting the ballot measure.

Board Member Mrs. Phillipi

Welcomed everyone back from the winter break.

Stated the Strategic Arts Plan presentations is a fine example of how the SWAG teams have worked to come up with new ways to do things and to make programs better for all of our students.

Superintendent Dr. Vannasdall

Shared that at the recent Chamber of Commerce Board meeting he learned WestField Santa Anita was the third-highest in the volume of sales in the nation, that crime is trending down in Arcadia, and that Goat Yoga will be coming to the Arboretum soon.

He shared we are watching the information coming out on the Budget Proposal from the Governor and a team is going to attend the School Services workshop soon. On the 30th of January a team will also attend the Capitol Advisor workshop.

He shared that he took his family to the recent Annual Spaghetti Dinner and observing Tom Landis and Tom Forbes at the top of the bleachers enjoying the event was a great sight. When they retired he wondered how we would continue - the fact is they are iconic figures, but we were lucky that we had such talented staff, students, and parents able to pick up and continue on the traditions and grow the programs.

He concluded his remarks by thanking Mr. Nguyen and Mrs. Kinsler and the others for attending the PTA Legislation Day event and looks forward to them coming to a Board Meeting in the future to share their experiences.

**IX. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (NOT OPEN TO PUBLIC):** None

**X. RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING AND REPORT OUT:** None

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board President adjourned the meeting at 8:27 pm.

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Dr. David Vannasdall, Superintendent  
Secretary to the Board

Adopted By Board Action on: \_\_\_\_\_

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Board Clerk