

BENICIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD Notice of Special Meeting August 06, 2020 6:00 PM

In Compliance with Executive Order N-29-20 and N-35-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March 12th and 21st, 2020 respectively, this meeting will be Livestreamed and recorded via the BUSD YouTube channel linked here:

https://www.youtube.com/c/beniciaunifiedschooldistrict
Meeting will be conducted via Zoom from the
Benicia Unified District Board Room
350 East K Street
Benicia, CA 94510

Attendance Taken at 6:03 PM:

Present:

Diane Ferrucci Stacy Heldman-Holguin Mark Maselli Gethsemane Moss Sheri Zada

1. CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 p.m.

Minutes:

President Ferrucci called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Minutes:

With no public comments submitted, President Ferrucci adjourned the meeting at 6:04 p.m. to closed session.

Quick Summary:

For this meeting public comments may be submitted via a google form on this link that will be opened from 5:00pm to 6:00pm and must be submitted using the following link: https://forms.gle/DnkdjWBXpuvoHGmo6

4. CLOSED SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

Minutes:

President Ferrucci adjourned the meeting to closed session at 6:04 p.m.

4.1. Public Employment

4.2. Conference with Labor Negotiators

5. Reconvene to Open Session - 7:00 P.M.

Minutes:

The meeting was reconvened to open session by President Ferrucci at 7:05 p.m.

5.1. Report on Closed Session Items

Minutes:

There was nothing to report out from closed session.

5.2. Announcement

Quick Summary:

This meeting is recorded for live-streaming and archiving on the District YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/c/beniciaunifiedschooldistrict for your convenience.

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

The pledge of allegiance was led by President Ferrucci.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Sheri Zada.

Yes Diane Ferrucci

Yes Stacy Heldman-Holguin

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

8. REPORTS - (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

8.1. Superintendent Report

Minutes:

Dr. Young welcomed everyone this evening and thanked everyone in our organization who has been working so hard to make everything happen for our first day of school which is Monday, August 17, 2020.

8.2. Board Reports

Minutes:

Trustee Zada reminded everybody about the 13th Annual BEF Virtual Run for Education sponsored by the Benicia Education Foundation and encouraged everyone to participate to raise funds since many of our fundraisers had to be cancelled last year. Participants will have from Sunday August 16, 2020, through Sunday, August 30, 2020 to complete their runs (either the 5K event or Kids' Fun Run). All of the information can be found on their website. Trustee Holguin shared that she logged into the Solano officials counting system for how COVID-19 is impacting the county and the good news for Benicia is that our cases are at a new low, we are at 89. The Solano County system for counting cases is functioning well even though there are some questions about the State system. They consider us plateauing at this time which is a good sign. Next up, President Ferrucci shared that she and Trustee Holguin sat in on the Benicia City and District Liaison meeting with Dr. Young. It's an opportunity for the official from the city and our district to come together to discuss concerns and/or put our brain power together if there are some issues or concerns that we want to resolve and benefit both side of the house. We are an integral part of this city so she likes that we are coming together and thank the City Manager Lorie Tinfow for putting it together.

9. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Minutes:

None submitted tonight.

Quick Summary:

Public Comment Members of the public may submit comments on items on the agenda, and any item within the jurisdiction of the school district in the following manner for meetings during the Shelter-in-Place Executive Order: Via a google form on this link:

https://forms.gle/DnkdjWBXpuvoHGmo6 that will be opened to the public from 6:00 to 7:00 pm on the day of the meeting. The Governing Board allows speakers to speak at regular meetings on agendized and non-agendized matters under public comment. Comments are limited to no more than three minutes per speaker. By law, no action may be taken on any item raised during the public comment periods and matters may be referred to staff for placement on a future agenda of the Governing Board.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR - ACTION ITEMS

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Stacy Heldman-Holguin.

Yes Diane Ferrucci

Yes Stacy Heldman-Holguin

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

Quick Summary:

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved by the Board in one motion. There will be no discussion on these items unless members of the Board, staff or public request specific items to be pulled and discussed.

10.1. Minutes for the Meetings of: July 23, 2020

10.2. Approval of Personnel Action List

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS

11.1. Update on Plan for Reopening Schools

Rationale:

Dr. Leslie Beatson, Assistant Superintendent of Education Services, will provide an update on the plans for returning to school. The purpose of the report is to provide updates and progress regarding the Virtual Learning Plan. Presentation will include: Governor's requirements for Virtual Learning versus in-person instruction Technology and internet access Registration process and progress Updated scheduling information Safety protocols for staff working from campus Virtual Academy Option Update (for when school returns to some in-person learning)Lunch service Presentation

Minutes:

Dr. Beatson was introduced by President Ferrucci to update everyone on the Plan for Reopening Schools. She started by sharing that to date we have had around 500 families request devices and 14 families requested internet support and she went into her presentation.

11.2. Update on the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan

Rationale:

Dr. Leslie Beatson, Assistant Superintendent of Education Services, will provide a report on the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCP) as required by Senate Bill (SB) 98. The purpose of the LCP is to: Seek to address funding stability for schools while (LCFF, Supplemental, One Time Learning Loss Mitigation Funds)Provide information at the District level for how student learning continuity will be addressed during the COVID-19 crisis in the 2020 21 school year Takes the place of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the 2020-2021 school year During this presentation, Dr. Beatson will report on the requirements for the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCP), contents required for the LCP and the process for the development of the LCP. Presentation

Minutes:

Dr. Beatson updated everyone on the LCP that has taken the place of the LCAP during this time of COVID-19.

12. NON-CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

12.1. Consideration and Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding Between Benicia Unified School District and the Benicia Teachers Association

Rationale:

The Benicia Unified School District (BUSD) and the Benicia Teachers Association (BTA) recognize that the COVID-19 pandemic necessitates significant modifications to the operation of schools to minimize the health risks associated with COVID-19 infection for all students, staff, and their families while also providing equitable access to education for students. BUSD and BTA jointly enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) during 'Virtual Learning' regarding the issues related to the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic and the return to school during the 2020-2021 school year. Following any applicable public comment, staff recommends that the Board approve the Virtual Learning MOU for the 2020-21 school year as presented.

Motion Passed: Approval of the Virtual Learning MOU for the 2020-21 school year as presented. Passed with a motion by Stacy Heldman-Holguin and a second by Sheri Zada.

Yes Diane Ferrucci

Yes Stacy Heldman-Holguin

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

12.2. Consideration and Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding Between Benicia Unified School District and the Classified School Employees Association

Rationale:

The Benicia Unified School District (BUSD) and the Classified School Educators Association (CSEA) Ch#1096 recognize that the COVID-19 pandemic necessitates significant modifications to the operation of schools to minimize the health risks associated with COVID-19 infection for all students, staff, and their families while also providing equitable access to education for students. BUSD and CSEA Ch#1096 jointly enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) during 'Virtual Learning' regarding the issues related to the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic and the return to school during the 2020-2021 school year. Following any applicable public comment, staff recommends that the Board approve the Virtual Learning MOU for the 2020-21 school year as presented.

Motion Passed: Approval of the Virtual Learning MOU for the 2020-21 school year as presented. Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Sheri Zada.

Yes Diane Ferrucci

Yes Stacy Heldman-Holguin

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

12.3. Consideration and Ratification of the Tentative Agreement Between Benicia Unified School District and the Classified School Employees Association

Rationale:

The District and the California School Employees Association (CSEA) Ch#1096, bargaining teams met at the bargaining table for 1 negotiating session. These negotiations have produced the attached tentative agreement, which has been ratified by the CSEA Ch#1096 members. In accordance with AB 1200, the District will publicly disclose the costs of the tentative agreement with the CSEA. Following any applicable public comment, staff recommends that the Governing Board approve the tentative agreement for the school years as presented.

Motion Passed: Approval of the Tentative Agreement as Presented. Passed with a motion by Sheri Zada and a second by Gethsemane Moss.

Yes Diane Ferrucci

Yes Stacy Heldman-Holguin

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

12.4. Consideration and Ratification of the Total Compensation Package Between the Confidential/Management Team and the Benicia Unified School District.

Rationale:

The Team submitted a proposal to the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources for consideration. After consideration, the Assistant Superintendent is bringing forth this tentative agreement for approval. In accordance with AB 1200, the District will publicly disclose the costs of the tentative agreement with the Management Team. Following any applicable public comment, staff recommends that the Board approve the proposal for the school years as presented.

Motion Passed: Approval of the proposal for the school years as presented. Passed with a motion by Stacy Heldman-Holguin and a second by Mark Maselli.

Yes Diane Ferrucci

Yes Stacy Heldman-Holguin

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

12.5. Consideration and Ratification of Compensation Between Superintendent Dr. Charles Young and the Benicia Unified School District

Rationale:

The request is that the Board approves the attached contract renewal amendment between Dr. Charles Young and the Benicia Unified School District to reinstate Dr. Young's step increase based on his positive evaluation approved at the regular board meeting on June 11, 2020, and provide him the same 2.5% salary increase for the 2020-21 school year that was received by BTA, CSEA and Management.

Motion Passed: Approval of the Contract Amendment as Presented Passed with a motion by Stacy Heldman-Holguin and a second by Mark Maselli.

Yes Diane Ferrucci

Yes Stacy Heldman-Holguin

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

13. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:	
President Ferrucci adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.	
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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:	
Clerk	Secretary