



BENICIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD

Notice of Regular Meeting

August 12, 2021 7:00 PM

Benicia Unified School District Board Room 350 East K Street Benicia, CA 94510. This meeting will be in-person meeting and mask are mandatory. For those not in-person, we will continue to Livestream and recorded via the BUSD YouTube channel.

Attendance Taken at 6:07 PM:

Present:

Mark Maselli

Gethsemane Moss

Sheri Zada

Absent:

Diane Ferrucci

CeCe Grubbs

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

Minutes:

President Zada called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

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

**4.1. Public Employment/ Action/ Appointment/ Discipline/ Dismissal/
Evaluation / Release**

Rationale:

Dr. Khushwinder Gill will present the Personnel Action List to the Board.

4.2. Conference with Labor Negotiators

Rationale:

The Governing Board will conference with Labor Negotiator, Dr. Khushwinder Gill, regarding Employee Organizations BTA, CSEA and unrepresented groups.

4.3. Individual Student Matter(s)/ Student Need(s)

Rationale:

The Governing Board will discuss student matters in the case of

The Education Code requires Closed Session in these cases to prevent the disclosure of confidential student information.

5. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

Minutes:

President Zada reconvened the meeting to open session at 7:00 p.m.

5.1. Report on Closed Session Items

Minutes:

There was nothing to report from closed session.

Quick Summary:

5.2. Announcement

Quick Summary:

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

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Moss.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda as written Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Gethsemane Moss.

Absent Diane Ferrucci

Absent CeCe Grubbs

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

8. REPORTS - (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

8.1. Superintendent Report

Minutes:

Dr. Young started his report by welcoming everyone and sharing that school started on Tuesday, August 17. He expressed our excitement of welcoming our students back. He also shared about the newly implemented mandate by Governor Newsome for all school employees to be vaccinated and those that are not will be tested once a week. Lastly, he shared about the professional development work being done around equity and informing everyone about the all staff professional development day, we had on Friday, August 13 for this.

8.2. Board Reports

Minutes:

There were no board reports this evening.

9. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Minutes:

We had several community members present in the board that submitted public comments as well as several left via the public comment voicemail line.

Quick Summary:

PLEASE NOTE: BUSD has moved to in-person Board meetings. We ask that members of the public, who wish to attend, including those who wish to address the board, wear a mask at all times. For those who do not wish to attend the meeting but would like to submit a public comment, we have opened the "Public Comment" voicemail line again. Comments can be submitted between 5:00-7:00 p.m. by calling 707-748-2787 (one comment per person, per item limited to 3 minutes) on the day of the meeting. Please remember to state your name and item you wish to address. If your comment is for "closed session," please be sure to state that at the beginning of your message so that it can be addressed prior to "closed session." Members of the public may address the Board at a meeting on any item within the Board's jurisdiction. Those in person are asked to fill out a speaker card, available at the back table, noting the item they wish to speak to. Please submit speaker cards to the Board Secretary. The Board President will call all the "open session" public comments not on the agenda (Gov. Code Section 54954.3) during the public comment item. The comments for items on the agenda will be called during the specific item. Comments are limited to no more than three minutes per speaker or the board may limit the total time to 20 minutes per item. 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. Please be reminded to keep your comments respectful as students may be watching the board meeting, thank you.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR - ACTION ITEMS

Motion Passed: Approval of the Consent Calendar as presented Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Gethsemane Moss.

Absent Diane Ferrucci

Absent CeCe Grubbs

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: June 17, 2021 and August 3, 2021

10.2. Approval of Personnel Action List

10.3. Approval of Resolution No. 21-22-03, Regarding the Education Protection Act

Rationale:

In compliance with Article XIII, Section 36(e), with the California Constitution, the governing board of the Benicia Unified School District has determined to spend the monies received from the Education Protection Act on non-administrative certificated salaries and/or benefits.

Motion Passed: Approval of Resolution 21-22-03 regarding the Education Protection Account. Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Gethsemane Moss.

Absent Diane Ferrucci

Absent CeCe Grubbs

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

10.4. Approval of the Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

10.5. Approval of the Consolidated Application

Rationale:

The Consolidated Application (ConApp) is used by the California Department of Education (CDE) to distribute categorical funds from various state and federal

programs to county offices, school districts, and direct-funded charter schools throughout California. Annually, in May, each local educational agency (LEA) submits the spring release of the application to document participation in these programs and provide assurances that the district will comply with the legal requirements of each program. Program entitlements are determined by formulas contained in the laws that created the programs. Recommendation: Approve the ConAPP as written.

10.6. Approval of Resolution No. 21-22-05, Declaration of Obsolete Books

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Gethsemane Moss.

Absent Diane Ferrucci

Absent CeCe Grubbs

Yes Mark Maselli

Yes Gethsemane Moss

Yes Sheri Zada

11. COMMUNICATION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

11.1. Summer School Update

Rationale:

Ms. Brianna Kleinschmidt, Ms. Kathrine Cole and Mr. Stephen Slater, summer school principals, will present information about the 2021 summer school program. The purpose of the presentation is to share highlights of the program, the numbers of participants and initial feedback. Presentation

Minutes:

Dr. Beatson welcomed Principals Kleinschmidt and Slater to provide a presentation on this year's summer school program.

12. NON-CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

12.1. Second Reading and Approval of the Following Board Policy: BP/AR 6158 Independent Study

Rationale:

Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW, Assembly Bill 130, which requires that all districts, for the 2021-22 school year, offer an independent study option to students whose health would be put at risk by in-person instruction, as determined by the parent or guardian.

Motion Passed: Approval of BP/AR 6158 Independent Study, as presented
Passed with a motion by Gethsemane Moss and a second by Mark Maselli.

Absent Diane Ferrucci

Absent CeCe Grubbs
Yes Mark Maselli
Yes Gethsemane Moss
Yes Sheri Zada

12.2. Consideration and Approval of the BTA Return to Full In-Person Learning MOU during the 2021-22 School Year

Rationale:

The Benicia Unified School District (BUSD) and 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 students, staff, and their families while also providing equitable access to education for students. Due to the recent guidance in recommendations from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and needs of staff and students, BTA and BUSD entered into "Return to Full In-Person Learning MOU" for the 2021-22 school year. We greatly appreciate BTA Leaders for the collaborative work on this MOU. Following any applicable public comment, staff recommends that the Governing Board approve the Return to Full In-Person Learning MOU for the 2021-22 school year as presented.

Motion Passed: Approval of the Full In-Person Learning MOU for the 2021-22 school year as presented Passed with a motion by Mark Maselli and a second by Gethsemane Moss.

Absent Diane Ferrucci
Absent CeCe Grubbs
Yes Mark Maselli
Yes Gethsemane Moss
Yes Sheri Zada

13. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

Prior to the adjournment of the meeting Trustee Moss asked for consideration of a future forum or town hall to take place in regards to the Equity Curriculum Task Force request by the community and with that President Zada adjourned the meeting at 8:24pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Clerk

Secretary