

Paso Robles Joint Unified School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
August 24, 2021

MINUTES

A. OPEN SESSION

1. Announcement re "Live" Public Participation

An announcement was read in English and Spanish that Board meetings are now fully open to the public.

2. Attendance/Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Christopher Arend, Mrs. Dorian Baker, Mr. Chris Bausch, Mr. Lance Gannon.
Mr. Tim Gearhart, and Mr. Jim Reed

Absent: Mr. Nathan Williams

B. PUBLIC COMMENT (for Closed Session Items)

1. Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items - To allow public comment prior to the Board's consideration of any closed session agenda item. Govt Code 54954.3

There were no requests to address the Board on closed session topics.

C. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:06 p.m.

1. Certificated Personnel Actions - Govt Code 54957 - Resignations/Retirements/Terminations; Leaves

A motion passed unanimously to approve certificated personnel actions as presented in the attachment (motion by Dorian Baker, second by Tim Gearhart).

2. Classified Personnel Actions - Govt Code 54957 - Assignments/Replacements; Resignations/Retirements/Terminations/Leaves

A motion passed unanimously to approve classified personnel actions as presented in the attachment (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Tim Gearhart).

3. Conference with Labor Negotiators - Government Code Section 54957.6

Received information. Took no action.

4. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release - Government Code Section 54957

Received information. Took no action.

5. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Govt Code 54957: Superintendent

Board members discussed. Took no action.

Closed Session ended at 6:05 p.m.

D. OPEN SESSION

The Board convened in Open Session at 6:09 p.m.

1. Report on Closed Session Action

Mr. Bausch reported the Board met in closed session to review and act on Certificated and Classified personnel actions, and discussed labor negotiations, public employee discipline/dismissal/release, and the Superintendent annual evaluation.

2. Adopt Agenda

Staff requested item G.12 be pulled from the agenda and tabled to the next meeting.

A motion passed unanimously to table item G.12 to the next meeting (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Lance Gannon).

A motion passed unanimously to adopt the agenda as modified (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Tim Gearhart).

E. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Trustee Gannon led the pledge of allegiance.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Comments from the Public

In-person public comment by Kendall Gates regarding making masks optional for students.

Call-in public comment by Kellen Haney regarding dangerous traffic at Georgia Brown during drop-off and pick-up.

In-person public comment by Jennifer Grinager regarding a previously read letter from mental health professionals.

In-person public comment by Staci Emmack regarding mask mandates.

2. California School Employees Association, Chapter #254

Chapter 254 President Jeannine Manninger read the CSEA Mission and reported that CSEA and PRJUSD still have quite a bit of negotiating on the table and the issues are important to CSEA members and the community.

3. Paso Robles Public Educators

Public Comment from Justin Pickard, PRPE President, was read by recording secretary.

4. Correspondence Received

President Arend read the letter from the Cayucos parents regarding the Cayucos Elementary School District passing of the "Let Them Breathe" Resolution.

Brad Pawlowski distributed letters of approval by the County Office of Education for tentative Collective Bargaining Agreements for CSEA and PRPE.

G. CONSENT ITEMS

Tim Gearhart pulled items G.7 and G.8 for further discussion.

A motion passed unanimously to approve items G.1 – G.6 and G.9 – G.11 (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Chris Bausch).

Mr. Gearhart asked for further information about item G.7. Mr. Hollen explained the district has continued difficulty finding American sign language interpreters. The Board discussed further. A motion passed unanimously to approve item G.7 (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Lance Gannon).

Mr. Gearhart asked questions regarding cost for item G.8. Mr. Hollen explained this is an internship position with the University of St. Augustine at no cost to the district with the opportunity to find future employees.

A motion passed unanimously to approve item G.8 (motion by Tim Gearhart, second by Dorian Baker).

1. Approve Purchase Order Listing

Recommendation: Approve Purchase Order Nos.: 220304 - 220362 with a total amount of \$1,400,703.26.

2. Approve Payment Listing

Recommendation: Approve Payment Listing as presented for batch numbers 013-014 in the amount of \$600,026.26.

3. Approve Agreement with Cooperative Strategies to Prepare the Annual and Five-Year Reports

Recommendation: Approve agreement with Cooperative Strategies to prepare the annual and five-year reports.

4. Approve Agreement with Cooperative Strategies to Prepare Reports and Annual Auditing Redevelopment Passthrough Payments in Fiscal Years 2021/2022 through 2025/2026

Recommendation: Approve agreement with Cooperative Strategies to prepare reports and annual auditing redevelopment passthrough payments in fiscal years 2021/2022 through 2025/2026.

5. Approve Agreement with CSM Consulting to Assist Completing and Submitting Application for Emergency Connectivity Fund Program (ECF)

Recommendation: Approve agreement with CSM Consulting to assist completing and submitting application for Emergency Connectivity Fund Program (ECF)

6. Approve Renewal of Non-Public Non-Sectarian School Agreement with White River Academy

Recommendation: Approve renewal of non-public non-sectarian school agreement with White River Academy.

7. Approve Renewal of Services Agreement with Ed Theory

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8. Approve MOU Between PRJUSD and the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences for Internship Support of a Speech Pathologist

Recommendation: Approve MOU Between PRJUSD and the University of St. Augustine for health sciences for internship support of a Speech Pathologist.

9. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between PRJUSD and PRPE regarding Class Size, Salary, Hours, and Compensation Related to Hard-to-Fill Positions and Training

Recommendation: Approve Memorandum of Understanding between PRJUSD and PRPE regarding class size, salary, hours, and compensation related to hard-to-fill positions and training.

10. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between PRJUSD and CSEA and its Chapter 254: Compensation (off schedule) for 2019-21

Recommendation: Approve Memorandum of Understanding between PRJUSD and CSEA and its Chapter 254: Compensation (off schedule) for 2019-21.

11. Approve Tentative Agreement with Paso Robles Public Educators: Elementary Prep Time

Recommendation: Approve Tentative Agreement with Paso Robles Public Educators: elementary prep time.

12. Approve New Job Description: Van Driver/Special Education Paraeducator (Severely Handicapped)

This item was tabled to the next meeting of September 14, 2021.

H. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Acceptance of Donations to PRJUSD Elementary Libraries

A motion passed unanimously to approve and accept donations to PRJUSD elementary libraries (motion by Dorian Baker, second by Tim Gearhart).

2. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between PRJUSD and PRPE for 2021-22 Full In-Person School Return

A motion passed unanimously to approve Memorandum of Understanding between PRJUSD and PRPE for 2021-22 full in-person school return. (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Chris Bausch).

3. Approve the Continuance of Increased Substitute Teacher Rate of Pay for the 2021-22 School Year

A motion passed unanimously to approve the Continuance of Increased Substitute Teacher Rate of Pay for the 2021-22 School Year (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Tim Gearhart).

I. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Federal Program Monitoring: Uniform Complaint Process Update and Information

Ms. Gaviola reviewed the new process update.

2. Future Creation of a School Attendance Boundary Committee

Mr. Pawlowski introduced David Lopez and Andrew Bishop from Cooperative Strategies. Both have worked on projects for, and are familiar with, our district. Mr. Lopez presented the attendance boundary process. The Board offered guidance requesting at least 2 parents and one administrator be on the committee from each site.

3. Emergency Connectivity Funding (ECF) Submission and Update

Mr. Buller described the grant that will allow the connectivity to continue throughout the year for learning at home.

4. Measure M Project Status and Future Actions Related to Facility Master Plan and Citizen Oversight Committee

Mr. Reyes gave a detailed report of the current Measure M projects and a summary of future actions.

5. Update to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3511.1 - Integrated Waste Management, NEW Board Policy 3515.31 - School Resource Officers, and Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 7211 - Developer Fees (First Reading)

Mr. Pawlowski discussed the proposed changes to board policies and administrative regulations. Board members asked questions regarding the School Resource Officers.

6. Updates to Board Policy 6142.5 - Environmental Education and Administrative Regulation 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests (First Reading)

Ms. Haley reviewed the updated policy and the new administrative regulation.

7. Update to Board Policy and NEW Administrative Regulation 4112.42-4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers, and Update to Board Policy 4141-4241 - Collective Bargaining Agreement (First Reading)

Ms. Gaviola reviewed these updates, stating many of these have already been introduced to our district.

8. New Board Policy 1313 - (First Reading)

Dr. Dubost reviewed this new policy.

9. Report on the Opening of School

Dr. Dubost expressed his appreciation to the district nurses for their incredible work during stressful times.

Tom Harrington and his staff worked hard on warm body counts, showing that 6,690 students were at school at least one day of the first four days of school. The projected enrollment was 6,650. Kindergarten enrollment numbers are high, which is very promising. The district will be adding one additional Kindergarten class at Winifred Pifer.

Traffic at Georgia Brown has been a problem without bus transportation and nearby construction, but has improved each day. The COVID testing of athletes is now mandated.

Call-in public comment from Kellen Haney regarding the traffic issues at Georgia Brown and his frustration at not receiving calls back from administrators.

J. SUPERINTENDENT/STAFF COMMENTS

There were no additional staff comments.

K. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Gearhart has spent some time at Lewis MS and in September, will start the chess program at Lewis MS and Winifred Pifer. He attended the ribbon cutting at Marie Bauer and noted that the parents that attended were very happy.

Mr. Gannon commended the Classified, Certificated, and site administration on doing a great job and getting everybody back to work in person. He stated that his constituents are very pleased. He also feels that making the choice to change the district's bell schedule this year was a good one. Mr. Gannon asked to be assured that the Georgia Brown issue would be addressed.

Mr. Reed had nothing to add.

Mr. Bausch thanked everyone for getting students back in the classroom and hopes we can sustain this effort. Mr. Bausch appreciated that the Board has had good discussions on differences of opinions.

Mr. Arend had nothing to add.

L. INFORMATION/AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

There were no agenda item requests.

M. ADJOURNMENT

A motion passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. (motion by Dorian Baker, second by Lance Gannon).

Board Clerk

Board President