



**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MINUTES - MEETING FORMAT "B"**

May 17, 2018

. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein called open session to order at 4:30 p.m.

.I. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY

.II. CLOSED SESSION

**.II.A. Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION (20
min)**

- DN-1014-17/18 (Special Education)
Minutes:
Educational expenses: \$7,075
Parent reimbursement: \$6,380.04
Legal fees: \$17,500
The total cost for this case is not to exceed \$30,955.04. It was moved by Mr. Foster, seconded by Ms. Lieberman, and approved unanimously.
Ayes: 7 (Tahvildaran-Jesswein, Kean, de la Torre, Foster, Lieberman, Leon-Vazquez, Mechur)
Noes: 0
- 1 case

**.II.B. Government Code 54957 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE / DISMISSAL /
RELEASE (5 min)**

**.II.C. Government Code 54957 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT /
EMPLOYMENT (10 min)**

- Title: House Principal
- Title: Assistant Principal

**.II.D. Government Code 54957.6 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (10
min)**

- Agency Designated Representative: Dr. Ben Drati
- Employee Organizations: SMMCTA

. OPEN SESSION

.I. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein called open session to order at 5:41 p.m.

.I.A. Roll Call

- Present Oscar de la Torre
- Present Craig Foster
- Present Jon Kean
- Present Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Present Laurie Lieberman
- Present Ralph Mechur
- Present Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

.I.B. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Samohi teacher Sean Arce and his students led the Pledge of Allegiance.

.II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion Mr. Mechur and a second by Ms. Lieberman.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

The board agreed to pull Item Nos. VI.C.9 and VI.D.4 from Consent.

.III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

.III.A. Approve May 3, 2017, Minutes

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the May 3, 2018, regular meeting minutes. Passed with a motion by Ms. Leon-Vazquez and a second by Mr. Foster.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Ms. Lieberman requested that her remarks in Item No. X.C not be included in the minutes.

.IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

.V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:

Time start: 5:47 p.m. Time end: 5:52 p.m.

Dr. Drati reported that he and his leadership team attended a "Districts on the Move" event organized by Michael Fullan and InnovateEd. During the event, our district was recognized for adopting and moving forward quickly with the program and focus. Dr. Drati reported that he attended an Ed Foundation event honoring PTA leaders. He also reported that there was a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new track and field at Lincoln MS. Mr. Upton clarified for the board the hours of public use for the field.

.VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Passed with a motion by Mr. de la Torre and a second by Mr. Foster.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

The board approved Item Nos. A.1-5, B.1-4, C.1-8, C.10-21, D.1-3, D.5, and E.1-2 listed under the Consent Calendar. The board pulled Item No. D.4 and voted on it separately. Item No. C.9 was pulled from the agenda altogether.

Time start: 5:52 p.m. Time end: 5:52 p.m.

.VI.A. Curriculum and Instruction

- .VI.A.1. Approval of Independent Contractors**
- .VI.A.2. Conference and Travel Approval/Ratification**
- .VI.A.3. Overnight Field Trip(s) 2017-18**
- .VI.A.4. Supplemental Textbooks**
- .VI.A.5. Special Education Contracts (17/18)**

.VI.B. Business and Fiscal

- .VI.B.1. Award of Purchase Orders - 2017-18**
- .VI.B.2. Acceptance of Gifts-2017/2018**
- .VI.B.3. Award of Contract to Best Contracting Services - Bid 18.23 - Roofing, Repair, and Replacement - Districtwide**
- .VI.B.4. Award of Bid #18.27 - District Vehicles - Santa Monica Ford**

.VI.C. Facilities Improvement Projects

- .VI.C.1. Approval of Independent Contractors**
- .VI.C.2. Award of Contract to IVS Computer Technology for Installation of Audio Visual Technologies, Projection System, Audio Enhancement Speakers, A/V Controllers, and Electrical Upgrades at School Site Libraries and to Approve the Piggyback onto Bakersfield City School District Bid #1507-1 - Phase I Technology - Measure ES-2**
- .VI.C.3. Change Order #01 Will Rogers Learning Community Windows, Paint & Flooring Project - Fire Alarm Upgrade - SimplexGrinnell Measure ES**
- .VI.C.4. Change Order #01 Roosevelt Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project and Fire Alarm Project - SimplexGrinnell - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.5. Award of Agreement John Adams Middle School Performing Arts Center Project IT Move Management Services Direct Source Communications Inc. - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.6. Award of Agreement John Adams Middle School Gym Floor Project and Field Replacement Project Special Inspection Services MGTL Inc. Measure ES**
- .VI.C.7. Amendment #20 to Agreement - Lincoln Middle School Athletic Field and Track Replacement Project Professional Geotechnical Observation and Lab of Record Services Leighton Consulting, Inc. Measure ES**
- .VI.C.8. Amendment #5 to Agreement - Lincoln Middle School Field and Track Replacement Project - Architectural Services - DLR Group - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.9. Award of Contract Olympic High School Windows, Paint, Floors, Doors & HVAC Project Bid #18.19.ES USS Cal Builders Inc. - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.10. Change Order #08 Santa Monica High School - Sealy Field Project - Construction Contract Bid #17.12.ES - Byrom-Davey, Inc. - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.11. Accept Work as Completed Santa Monica High School Science Quad Artificial Turf Project - Science Quad Project EasyTurf Measure ES**
- .VI.C.12. Amendment #01 to Agreement - Santa Monica High School - Discovery Building Project - Interim Housing Electrical Installation Construction Contract Bid #18.16.ES - Amtek Construction - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.13. Change Order #01 Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Interim Housing Lease Elite Modular Measure ES**

- .VI.C.14. Accept Work as Completed Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project - Interim Housing Electrical Amtek Construction Measure ES**
- .VI.C.15. Amendment #08 to Agreement Santa Monica High School Campus HVAC Project Inspector of Record Services Sandy Pringle Associates Measure ES**
- .VI.C.16. Contract Amendment #21 Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Olympic Spur - Professional Geotechnical Services Leighton Consulting, Inc. - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.17. Amendment #01 to Agreement Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Abatement of Science and Technology Buildings Construction Contract Bid #18.18.ES - Precision Contracting - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.18. Amendment #02 to Agreement Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Abatement of Science and Technology Buildings Construction Contract Bid #18.18.ES - Precision Contracting - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.19. Amendment #51 to Agreement Webster Elementary School Drop-off and Parking Lot Reconfiguration Project - Nesting Bird Survey Services Psomas Measure BB**
- .VI.C.20. Amendment #55 to Agreement Malibu Middle High School Campus Improvement Project - Architectural Services - HMC Architects Measure BB**
- .VI.C.21. Award of Contract John Adams Middle School Field Replacement Project FieldTurf USA, INC. Measure ES**

.VI.D. Personnel

- .VI.D.1. Certificated Personnel - Elections, Separations and Assignments**
- .VI.D.2. Classified Personnel - Merit**
- .VI.D.3. Classified Personnel - Non-Merit**
- .VI.D.4. Administrative Appointments**

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mr. Mechur and a second by Mr. de la Torre.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 5:53 p.m. Time end: 6:01 p.m.

Ms. Darci Keleher was appointed as the Lincoln Middle School Assistant Principal. She said she was excited to begin working with the Lincoln MS team and continuing their great work.

Dr. Vivian Choi was appointed as House Principal at Santa Monica High School. She remarked that she felt like she already a part of the community.

Mr. Eric Rowen was introduced as the Director of Personnel Commission. He said that he was excited to be a part of our district, and that he hosted the classified employee appreciation event this week.

.VI.D.5. Increase in Staffing (FTE) - Special Education

.VI.E. General

.VI.E.1. Revise BP 5111 - Admission

.VI.E.2. Revise BP 5111.1 - District Residency

.VII. STUDY SESSION

.VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

.VIII.A. Social Justice Framework and Action Plan: Update on Freshman Seminar and American Cultures and Ethnic Studies Requirement (30 min)

Minutes:

Time start: 6:10 p.m. Time end: 7:16 p.m.

Public Comments:

- Berenice Onofre addressed the board regarding this item.

Dr. Mora, Mr. Arce, and Dr. Ito answered board members' questions regarding the composition of cohort 2; the progress of the units as we integrate the standards; the extra pay participating teachers will receive for this work; and the Freshman Seminar course of Malibu HS. The students answered board members' questions regarding the questions they asked in their peer survey regarding gun violence on school campuses.

.IX. MAJOR ACTION ITEMS

.IX.A. Master Plan for English Learners (30 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the revised SMMUSD Master Plan for English Learners. Passed with a motion by Ms. Leon-Vazquez and a second by Mr. Mechur.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 8:08 p.m. Time end: 9:02 p.m.

Public Comments:

- Marco Marin, Berenice Onofre, and Sarah Braff addressed the board regarding this item.

Staff answered board members' questions regarding ELAC membership requirements; how parent groups can be formed; the reclassification process and parent involvement; and the number of languages spoken by our students.

.IX.B. Middle School Course Approval - Journalism (10 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the granting of credits for the below-listed course to be offered at the middle school level. Passed with a motion by Ms. Leon-Vazquez and a second by Mr. Foster.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 7:23 p.m. Time end: 7:37 p.m.

Staff answered board members' questions regarding how the JAMS instructors will communicate with Samohi;

Ms. Leon-Vazquez suggested the district considering partnering with SMC regarding this course.

.IX.C. High School Course Approval - Senior Seminar (10 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the granting of credits for the below-listed course to be offered at the high school level. Passed with a motion by Mr. Foster and a second by Ms. Lieberman.

Yes Oscar de la Torre
Yes Mr. Craig Foster
Yes Jon Kean
Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
Yes Laurie Lieberman
Yes Ralph Mechur
Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 7:37 p.m. Time end: 7:49 p.m.

.IX.D. High School Course Approval- Introduction to Data Science (10 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the granting of credits for the below-listed course to be offered at the high school level. Passed with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Mr. Foster.

Yes Oscar de la Torre
Yes Mr. Craig Foster
Yes Jon Kean
Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
Yes Laurie Lieberman
Yes Ralph Mechur
Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 7:49 p.m. Time end: 8:08 p.m.

Staff answered board members' questions how this course will help students become college-ready.

.IX.E. Adopt Resolution No. 17-43, Classified School Employees Week, May 20-26, 2018 (5 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 17-43 in recognition of Classified School Employees Week, May 20-26, 2018. Passed with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Ms. Leon-Vazquez.

Yes Oscar de la Torre
Yes Mr. Craig Foster
Yes Jon Kean
Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
Yes Laurie Lieberman
Yes Ralph Mechur
Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 9:02 p.m. Time end: 9:03 p.m.

.IX.F. Adopt Resolution 17-44 Findings and Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and Approval of the John Adams Middle School Auditorium Replacement Project (5 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution 17-44 to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration (“MND”) and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, approve the John Adams Middle School Auditorium Replacement Project (“Proposed Project”) and direct staff to file a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk. Passed with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Mr. de la Torre.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 9:03 p.m. Time end: 9:05 p.m.

.IX.G. Adopt Resolution No. 17-45 - Intent to form a School Facilities Improvement District with respect to Santa Monica Schools (SFID) (15 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 17-45 - Declaring Intent to form a School Facilities Improvement District with respect to Santa Monica Schools (SFID). Passed with a motion by Mr. Foster and a second by Mr. Mechur.

- Yes Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 9:05 p.m. Time end: 9:07 p.m.

.IX.H. 2017-18 Budget Revisions (10 min)

Motion Passed: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve budget transfers, as described on the attached pages, for these below-listed Funds. Passed with a motion by Ms. Leon-Vazquez and a second by Mr. Mechur.

- Absent Oscar de la Torre
- Yes Mr. Craig Foster
- Yes Jon Kean
- Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez
- Yes Laurie Lieberman
- Yes Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 9:07 p.m. Time end: 9:28 p.m.

Staff answered board members’ questions regarding LCFF funding in Basic Aid status and the unpredictability of property tax amounts from year to year.

.X. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

.X.A. Supplemental Textbooks

.X.B. Revision to AR 5111.1 - District Residency

.X.C. Deletion of AR 5111.13 Residency for Homeless Students

.XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:

Time start: 6:01 p.m. Time end: 6:10 p.m.

Time start: 7:16 p.m. Time end: 7:22 p.m.

Time start: 9:28 p.m. Time end: 9:34 p.m.

Public Comments:

- Angela Caputo and Maya Kook addressed the board regarding a difference in funding at Muir Elementary School versus SMASH.
- Anya Bardach and Kalana Ortega presented their Freshman Seminar project, which focused on supplying more feminine products in the girls' and gender-neutral bathrooms. The superintendent will look into this issue.
- Berenice Onofre requested that the district help form a Latino parent support group.

.XII. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

.XIII. REQUESTS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OR DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

.XIV. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

.XV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Minutes:

Time start: 9:34 p.m. Time end: 9:37 p.m.

- Ms. Leon-Vazquez reported that the first group of Samohi students to participate in SMC's computer science classes through the partnership between the school district and college will be earning their certificates.
- Mr. de la Torre reported that he attended the districtwide art show. He said he was very impressive with the level of talent displayed by our students.

.XVI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

.XVII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ms. Lieberman, seconded by Ms. Leon-Vazquez, and voted 7/0 to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 p.m. The next meeting is a special meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 31, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. at the district office: 1651 16th St., Santa Monica, CA. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 14, 2018, at 5:30 p.m., at the district office.

Approved: _____

President

Superintendent

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