



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

**June 14, 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 54957 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE / DISMISSAL /  
RELEASE (5 min)**

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

- Title: Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- Title: House Principal

**.II.C. Government Code 54957 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE  
EVALUATION (10 min)**

- Title: Superintendent

**.II.D. Government Code 54957.6 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (35  
min)**

- Agency Designated Representative: Dr. Ben Drati
- Employee Organizations: SMMCTA
- Agency Designated Representative: Dr. Ben Drati
- Employee Organizations: Unrepresented management group
- Agency Designated Representative: Dr. Ben Drati
- Unrepresented Employee: Asst. Superintendent, Human Resources

**. OPEN SESSION**

**.I. CALL TO ORDER**

Minutes:

Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein called open session to order at 5:33 p.m.

**.I.A. Roll Call**

Present	Oscar de la Torre
Absent	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:

Dr. Rossi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **.II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion Mr. Mechur and a second by Mr. Kean.

Yes Oscar de la Torre

Absent 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 No. VIII.D.6 from the agenda.

## **.III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **.III.A. Approve May 17, 2018, Minutes**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the May 17, 2018, regular meeting minutes. Passed with a motion by Ms. Leon-Vazquez and a second by Ms. Lieberman.

Yes Oscar de la Torre

Absent Mr. Craig Foster

Yes Jon Kean

Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez

Yes Laurie Lieberman

Yes Ralph Mechur

Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

### **.III.B. Approve May 31, 2018, Minutes**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the May 31, 2018, special meeting minutes. Passed with a motion by Mr. Mechur and a second by Ms. Leon-Vazquez.

Yes Oscar de la Torre

Absent Mr. Craig Foster

Yes Jon Kean

Yes Maria Leon-Vazquez

Yes Laurie Lieberman

Yes Ralph Mechur

Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

## **.IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS**

## **.V. STUDY SESSION**

## **.VI. COMMUNICATIONS**

### **.VI.A. SMMCTA Update (5 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 5:39 p.m. Time end: 5:43 p.m.

Ms. Braff thanked everyone for helping to close the school year. In regards to the discussion item about separating the fundraising for Santa Monica and Malibu, Ms. Braff reported that the union is okay with it, as long as people and programs are maintained with equanimity. Ms. Braff reported that some teachers have concerns about the plans for glass windows/walls and carpeted floors for the new Samohi Discovery Building. She said she was looking forward to attending the CalMI conference with Dr. Drati, Ms. Cartee-McNeely, and a couple of board members and continuing to work together and build on what we have.

#### **.VI.B. SEIU Update (5 min)**

Minutes:

Ms. Cartee-McNeely was absent.

#### **.VI.C. PTA Council (5 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 5:37 p.m. Time end: 5:39 p.m.

Ms. Smith delivered the report for the new PTA Council President, Claudia Seizer. She attended Grad Nite at Samohi and reported that it was an incredibly spectacular event that kept hundreds of our graduating seniors safe. She thanked the supportive administrative team and outstanding parent volunteers. Summer Adventure will begin soon, and the enrollment number is higher than any other previous year.

#### **.VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Minutes:

Time start: 5:43 p.m. Time end: 5:49 p.m.

Dr. Drati congratulated the students who graduated from Olympic HS, Samohi, and MHS. He also congratulated their parents, remarking that this is a moment to cherish and reflect back on the years. He said he was proud of staff and thanked them for the work they have done. He hopes that employees will take time off and rejuvenate for the new school year. He thanked the parents who worked vigilantly throughout the year supporting school sites, PTA, and the Ed Foundation. Their efforts are apparent at the end of year. Dr. Drati thanked the non-parent community for its support of public education. He reported that one of the graduates spoke to the investment schools have in our future when he quoted Fred Douglas: "It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men." Dr. Drati said he was proud to be a part of SMMUSD. He then handed the report off to Dr. Kelly, who introduced our new Coordinator of Family Engagement, Dr. Freda Rossi, whose appointment was approved on May 31, 2018.

#### **.VIII. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Passed** with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Mr. de la Torre.

Yes Oscar de la Torre

Absent 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, A.3-9, B.1-6, C.1-27, and D.1-5 listed under the Consent Calendar. The board pulled Item Nos. A.2 and E.1 and voted on them separately. Item No. D.6 was pulled from the agenda altogether.

Time start: 5:49 p.m. Time end: 5:50 p.m.

#### **.VIII.A. Curriculum and Instruction**

##### **.VIII.A.1. Approval of Independent Contractors 2017-18**

##### **.VIII.A.2. Approval of Independent Contractors 2018-19**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education enter into an agreement with the following Independent Contractors. Passed with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Mr. Kean.

Recuse Oscar de la Torre

Absent 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: 5:55 p.m.

Mr. de la Torre recused himself from this item, as his organization has received donations from Orbach, Huff, and Suarez.

- .VIII.A.3. Conference & Travel Approval/Ratification - 2017/2018**
- .VIII.A.4. Agreement to Provide California State Preschool (CSPP) for Fiscal Year 2018-2019**
- .VIII.A.5. Agreement to Provide General Child Care and Development Services (CCTR) for Fiscal Year 2018-2019**
- .VIII.A.6. Supplemental Textbooks**
- .VIII.A.7. Approval of Friends of the Immersion Program of SMMUSD - Booster Auxiliary Organization**
- .VIII.A.8. Designation of CIF League Representatives for 2018-19**
- .VIII.A.9. Special Education Contracts (17/18)**
- .VIII.B. Business and Fiscal**
  - .VIII.B.1. Award of Purchase Orders - 2017-18**
  - .VIII.B.2. Acceptance of Gifts - 2017/2018**
  - .VIII.B.3. Renew Contract - School Services of California, Inc.**
  - .VIII.B.4. Approve Contract - Blackboard - Website ADA-Compliance**
  - .VIII.B.5. Award of Contract to Universal Asphalt Co., Inc.**
  - .VIII.B.6. Award of Contract to Advanced Cable Solutions**
- .VIII.C. Facilities Improvement Projects**
  - .VIII.C.1. Membership Appointment to the Facilities District Advisory Committee (FDAC)**
  - .VIII.C.2. Award of Contract McKinley ES, Franklin ES & John Muir ES - HVAC Bard Units Project Bid #18.17.ES KFY United Mechanical Contractors, Inc. dba United Mechanical Contractors - Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.3. Award of Agreement Franklin Elementary School Windows, Paint, Floors & Doors Project IT Move Management Services Direct Source Communications Inc. - Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.4. Award of Agreement Franklin Elementary School Windows, Paint, Floors and Doors Project -Move Management Services King Office Services - Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.5. Change Order #01 Lincoln Middle School Field Replacement Project CMAS Contract No. 4-06-78-0031A FieldTurf USA, Inc. Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.6. Award of Agreement McKinley Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project, HVAC Project and Fire Alarm Project Special Inspection Services Twining Consulting Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.7. Award of Agreement McKinley Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project - IT Move Management Services Direct Source Communications Inc. - Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.8. Award of Agreement McKinley Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project Move Management Services - King Office Services - Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.9. Amendment #03 to Agreement Architectural Services McKinley Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project and HVAC Project Rachlin Partners Measure ES**
  - .VIII.C.10. Amendment #07 to Agreement - Pt. Dume Elementary, McKinley Elementary, Franklin Elementary - Windows, Paint, Floors & Doors**

- Project. - Interior Roller Shade Removal/Re-Installation / SAMOHI-Discovery Building - Interim Housing Heritage Window Coverings Inc. - Measure ES
- .VIII.C.11. Amendment #56 to Agreement Malibu Middle & High School Campus Improvement Project - Architectural Services Related to Offsite Permit from the City of Malibu - HMC Architects Measure BB
  - .VIII.C.12. Amendment #13 to Agreement Malibu Middle & High School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project - Architectural Services - HMC Architects Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.13. Accept Work as Complete Multiple Purchase Orders Various Projects Measure BB & ES
  - .VIII.C.14. Ratification of Award of Contract Malibu Middle & High School Campus Improvements Project Lease-Lease Back (LLB) RFQ/P #18.05.BB.ES McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. - Measure BB & Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.15. Amendment #12 to Agreement Pt. Dume ES - Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project - Architectural Services dsk Architects Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.16. Award of Agreement IT Move Management Services Pt. Dume Elementary School Windows, Paint, Floors & Doors Project Direct Source Communications Inc. - Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.17. Award of Agreement Move Management Services Pt. Dume Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project King Office Services - Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.18. Accept Work as Completed Roosevelt Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project - Fire Alarm Upgrade SimplexGrinnell Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.19. Change Order #03 Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Abatement of Science and Technology Buildings Construction Contract Bid #18.18.ES - Precision Contracting - Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.20. Change Order #01 Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Demolition of Science and Technology Buildings Construction Contract Bid #18.13.ES - Ampco Contracting - Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.21. Award of Agreement Santa Monica High School - Discovery Building Project Professional Engineering Services - Ishler Design & Engineering Associates Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.22. Accept Work as Completed Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project - Abatement of Science and Technology Buildings Construction Contract Bid #18.18.ES - Precision Contracting - Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.23. Amendment #26 to Agreement Santa Monica High School Abatement for the Demolition of the Technology Building Monitoring Services Alta Environmental Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.24. Amendment #15 to Agreement - Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project - Olympic Spur Architectural Services - Chan Young Architects Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.25. Accept Work as Completed Will Rogers Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project Fire Alarm Upgrade SimplexGrinnell Measure ES
  - .VIII.C.26. Accept Work as Complete SMMUSD District Office - Data Center-IT Expansion Project - SimplexGrinnell Measure BB
  - .VIII.C.27. Amendment #09 to Agreement Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Inspector of Record and General Inspection Services Sandy Pringle Associates Measure ES

#### **.VIII.D. Personnel**

##### **.VIII.D.1. Certificated Personnel - Elections, Separations**

##### **.VIII.D.2. Classified Personnel - Merit**

##### **.VIII.D.3. Classified - Non-Merit**

##### **.VIII.D.4. Declaration of Indefinite Salaries for Represented Bargaining Unit Members and Unrepresented Senior Management, Management, Supervisory and Confidential Employees for 2018-2019**

##### **.VIII.D.5. Extend Employment Agreement for Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources**

##### **.VIII.D.6. Administrative Appointment**

#### **.VIII.E. General**

##### **.VIII.E.1. Accept Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Pupils**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Students. Passed with a motion by Mr. de la Torre and a second by Ms. Lieberman.

**Abstain** Oscar de la Torre

**Absent** Mr. Craig Foster

**Yes** Jon Kean

**No** Maria Leon-Vazquez

**Yes** Laurie Lieberman

**Yes** Ralph Mechur

**Yes** Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

Time start: 5:50 p.m. Time end: 5:53 p.m.

Ms. Leon-Vazquez requested that staff examine alternative educational plans for students waiting who are for their expulsion hearing.

#### **.IX. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:

Time start: 5:55 p.m. Time end: 6:08 p.m.

##### Public Comments:

- Lori Whitesell shared the benefits of Grad Nite and thanked everyone for their hard work in making it a success. Mr. de la Torre asked about scholarships for students who cannot afford the fee.
- Amora Fisher encouraged the board to consider being flexible with the kindergarten enrollment birthdate deadline.
- Colette O'Connell emphasized the need for teaching phonics and for literacy coaches at the elementary schools.

#### **.X. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### **.X.A. Food and Nutrition Services Program (70 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 6:08 p.m. Time end: 8:53 p.m.

##### Public Comments:

- Harriet Fraser, Emmy Stevens, Carlos Morales, Bonnie Murphy, Stephan Corbel, Anna Barker, Shanti Philips, Callista Hurwitz, Heidi Ross, Benjamin Axelrad, Deborah Novak, Ruby Dembo, Erin Behan, Neelah, Heidi Vega Aimonetti, Giana Aimonetti, Jan Chantarasompota, Lauren Polito, Julia Rosas, Anne Martinez, Cristina Jimenez, and Daisy Vega addressed the board regarding this item.

Staff answered board members' questions regarding food waste, food vendors, what other school districts have done, staff's estimated increase in participation rates, training for employees, reimbursement rates for free- and reduced-priced meals,

what “point-of-sale” entails, the possibility of renting versus purchasing equipment, and the funding source for the equipment upgrades.

The board expressed its support of moving forward with staff’s proposal to pilot a freshly-prepared food program. The \$700K allocation will remain in the 2018-19 proposed budget, which is coming forward for adoption on June 28. A board subcommittee will work with staff to develop a business plan to better determine the costs and projected revenues associated with the pilot as well as sequencing a multi-year implementing of the pilot other options presented in the staff report. Staff will also examine the cost of renting equipment versus using local community kitchens.

**.X.B. District Advisory Committee (DAC) End-of-Year Reports (45 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 9:02 p.m. Time end: 9:26 p.m.

Each DAC summarized their report for the board.

**.X.C. Proposal to Establish Separate Fundraising Vehicles for Malibu Schools and Santa Monica Schools (30 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 9:26 p.m. Time end: 9:40 p.m.

Mr. Mechur recused himself from the discussion. Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein asked for staff’s reassurance that support of this plan would not result in programmatic inequity among the schools, as existed prior to centralized fundraising. Staff answered board members’ questions regarding what would happen in case of a fundraising shortfall. This item will return for action at the June 28 board meeting.

**.X.D. Consider Revising BP and AR 6143 Courses of Study (25 min)**

**.X.E. Consider Revising BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements**

Minutes:

Time start: 9:40 p.m. Time end: 9:45 p.m.

The board considered items No. X.D-E together. These changes will return for action on June 28, 2018.

**.XI. MAJOR ACTION ITEMS**

**.XI.A. Public Hearing Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1 (Santa Monica Schools) (5 min)**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education hold a public hearing for any interested persons to comment on the Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1 (Santa Monica Schools). Passed with a motion by Mr. de la Torre and a second by Mr. Mechur.

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

Minutes:

It was moved by Mr. de la Torre and seconded by Mr. Mechur, and voted 6/0 (Mr. Foster was absent) to open the public hearing at 9:45 p.m.

It was moved by Ms. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. de la Torre, and voted 6/0 (Mr. Foster was absent) to close the public hearing at 9:46 p.m.



**.XI.B. Public Hearing Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 2 (Malibu Schools) (5 min)**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education hold a public hearing for any interested persons to comment on the Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 2 (Malibu Schools). Passed with a motion by Mr. Kean and a second by Ms. Lieberman.

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

Minutes:

It was moved by Mr. Kean and seconded by Ms. Lieberman, and voted 6/0 (Mr. Foster was absent) to open the public hearing at 9:46 p.m.

It was moved by Ms. Lieberman, seconded by Ms. Leon-Vazquez, and voted 6/0 (Mr. Foster was absent) to close the public hearing at 9:46 p.m.

**.XI.C. Adopt Resolution No. 17-46 - Ordering the Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (Santa Monica Schools) (10 min)**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 17-46 - Ordering the Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (Santa Monica Schools). Passed with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Mr. Mechur.

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

Minutes:

Time start: 9:47 p.m. Time end: 9:48 p.m.

**.XI.D. Adopt Resolution No. 17-47 - Ordering the Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 2 of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (Malibu Schools) (10 min)**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 17-47 - Ordering the Formation of School Facilities Improvement District No. 2 of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (Malibu Schools). Passed with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Mr. Mechur.

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

Minutes:

Time start: 9:48 p.m. Time end: 9:48 p.m.

**.XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**



**.XII.A. Supplemental Textbooks**

**.XIII. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS**

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

**.XV. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:

Time start: 9:48 p.m. Time end: 9:57 p.m.

Public Comments:

- Daisy Vega addressed the board regarding enrollment paperwork for her child. At the board's direction, staff will include more information on this in the Friday Memo.

**.XVI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Minutes:

Time start: 9:57 p.m. Time end: 9:57 p.m.

- Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein shared that the partnership with SMC for Ballroom Dance has been very successful these past few years and will now begin expanding into fourth grade.

**.XVII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**.XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Ms. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. de la Torre, and voted 6/0 (Mr. Foster was absent) to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 p.m. The next meeting is a regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 19, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. at the district office: 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 28, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. at the district office.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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President

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Superintendent

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