



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

September 20, 2018

**. CLOSED SESSION**

Minutes:

Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein called closed session to order at 4:32 p.m.

**.I. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY**

**.II. CLOSED SESSION**

**.II.A. Government Code 54956.9(d)(1) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL  
EXISTING LITIGATION (10 min)**

- Name of Case: Gina de Baca and Vivian Mahl vs. Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District; California Superior Court Case No. BC 674932

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

- DN-1007-17/18 (Special Education)

Minutes:

Parent reimbursement: \$23,567.25

Legal Fees: \$6,437.50

The total cost for this contract not to exceed: \$30,004.75. It was moved by Mr. Kean, seconded by Mr. de la Torre, and approved unanimously.

Ayes: 6 (Tahvildaran-Jesswein, Kean, de la Torre, Foster, Lieberman, Leon-Vazquez)

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 (Mechur)

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

**.II.D. Government Code 54957.6 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (25 min)**

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

**. OPEN SESSION**

**.I. CALL TO ORDER**

Minutes:

Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein called open session to order at 5:53 p.m.

**.I.A. Roll Call**

**Present** Oscar de la Torre – *left at 8:05 p.m.*

**Present** Craig Foster

Present Jon Kean  
Present Maria Leon-Vazquez  
Present Laurie Lieberman  
Absent Ralph Mechur  
Present Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

#### **.I.B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Minutes:

Santa Monica Police Officer Sparks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

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

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

##### **.III.A. Approve September 6, 2018, Minutes**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the September 6, 2018, regular meeting minutes. Passed with a motion by Mr. Foster and a second by Ms. Leon-Vazquez.

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

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

#### **.V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Minutes:

Time start: 5:56 p.m. Time end: 6:18 p.m.

Dr. Drati provided an update on measures being taken to improve school security. He had mentioned at a previous board meeting that staff was examining changes in protocols that might be put into place, especially at the elementary schools. Last year, Franklin Elementary School implemented a new drop-off and pick-up protocol that proved to be successful, and so that model is now being tested at other elementary schools. He asked Principals Holeva, Benjamin, and Sinfield to explain to the board the details of and rationale behind the changes. Santa Monica Police Officer Sparks then expressed the police department's support for the changes in protocol. Dr. Drati will be meeting with Roosevelt Elementary School parents on Wednesday to address any concerns they might have regarding the new drop-off and pick-up protocol.

Dr. Drati also updated the board on our district's progress in meeting the requirements of the City of Santa's Monica's amended ordinance regarding single-use plastic products. The goal is to be in compliance by January 1. Meeting the requirements could increase the Food and Nutrition Services Department's budget from \$82,000 to approximately \$140,000-150,000.

**.VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**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
- Absent Ralph Mechur
- Yes Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

Minutes:

The board approved Item Nos. A.1-3, B.2-3, C.1-16, and D.1-7 listed under the Consent Calendar. The board pulled Item No. B.1 and voted on it separately.

Time start: 6:19 p.m. Time end: 6:27 p.m.

Public Comments:

- Ann Thanawalla addressed the board regarding the JUST COMMUNITIES contract.

**.VI.A. Curriculum and Instruction**

- .VI.A.1. Approval of Independent Contractors**
- .VI.A.2. Conference & Travel Approval/Ratification - 2018/2019**
- .VI.A.3. Overnight Field Trip(s) 2018-19**

**.VI.B. Business and Fiscal**

**.VI.B.1. Award of Purchase Orders**

**Motion Passed:** It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Purchase Orders and Changed Purchase Orders from August 30, 2018, through September 13, 2018, for fiscal / 19. Passed with a motion by Ms. Lieberman and a second by Mr. Kean.

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

Minutes:

Time start: 6:28 p.m. Time end: 6:28 p.m.

Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein and Ms. Leon-Vazquez recused themselves, as they work for Santa Monica College, a vendor listed in this item.

- .VI.B.2. Acceptance of Gifts - 2018/2019**
- .VI.B.3. Authorization to Use Bid No. P13-13/14 Glendale Unified School District for the Purchase of Apple Computer Products, Services, and Related Components**

**.VI.C. Facilities Improvement Projects**

**.VI.C.1. Approval of Independent Contractors - FIP**

Minutes:

Staff corrected the end date listed for the contract.

- .VI.C.2. Amendment #16 to Agreement - Architectural Services - Santa Monica High School Campus Plan Project - Architectural and Engineering Services Chan Young Architects Measure ES**
- .VI.C.3. Contract Amendment #23 Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Professional Geotechnical Services Leighton Consulting, Inc. - Measure ES**

- .VI.C.4. Amendment #14 to Agreement Cabrillo Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project - Architectural Services - HMC Architects Measure ES**
- .VI.C.5. Amendment #1 to Agreement Point Dume Marine Science School Malibu Schools Realignment Project - Additional Traffic Impact/Circulation Analysis KOA Corporation Measure ES**
- .VI.C.6. Amendment #58 to Agreement Webster Elementary School Drop-off and Parking Lot Reconfiguration Project - Architectural Services - HMC Architects Measure BB**
- .VI.C.7. Amendment #15 to Agreement Malibu Schools Realignment Webster Elementary School Architectural Design Services dsk Architects Measure ES**
- .VI.C.8. Amendment #09 to Agreement McKinley Elementary School - Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project. - Interior Roller Shades Heritage Window Coverings Inc. Measure ES**
- .VI.C.9. Change Order #02 to Agreement Santa Monica High School Campus Plan Project -Manufacture and Installation of Campus Wide Wayfinding Signage Construction Contract Bid #18.29.ES Aloha Electric Signage Company - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.10. Change Order #01 Franklin Elementary School Window, Paint, Floors & Doors Project Construction Contract The Nazerian Group. - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.11. Change Order #02 Webster Elementary School Drop-off and Parking Lot Reconfiguration Project Construction Contract Waisman Construction, Inc. - Measure BB**
- .VI.C.12. Award of Contract Lincoln Middle School Field & Track Replacement Project - FieldTurf USA, Inc. Measure ES**
- .VI.C.13. Award of Contract Santa Monica High School HVAC Project Pool HVAC Maintenance Informal Bid #18.32.ES ACCO Engineered Systems - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.14. Award of Contract Santa Monica High School HVAC Project HVAC Chiller Replacement Bid #19.07.ES ACCO Engineered Systems - Measure ES**
- .VI.C.15. Amendment #28 to Agreement Santa Monica High School Discovery Building Project Technology Building Abatement and Disposal Services Alta Environmental Measure ES**
- .VI.C.16. Approval of Tieback License Agreement with FSTAR 1613 LLC**
- .VI.D. Personnel**
  - .VI.D.1. Certificated Personnel - Elections, Separations**
  - .VI.D.2. Classified Personnel - Merit**
  - .VI.D.3. Classified Personnel - Non-Merit**
  - .VI.D.4. 2018-2019 Declaration of Need for Fully-Qualified Educators**
  - .VI.D.5. Increase in Staffing (FTE) - Cabrillo Elementary**
  - .VI.D.6. Increase in Staffing (FTE) - Special Education**
  - .VI.D.7. Adopt Resolution No. 18-09 - Increase Board Member Compensation Pursuant to Board Bylaw 9250**

**.VII. STUDY SESSION**

- .VII.A. SMMUSD Student Performance: Summary of California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) Test Results (Quarter 1) (40 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 6:30 p.m. Time end: 7:18 p.m.

The board and staff discussed the frequently with which the data is shared throughout the year and the best timing; how the district can communicate to parents what is being done to help those students who appear in the “not met” categories for achievement; how the School Leadership Teams (SLTs) examine data to address the dip in achievement between certain grade levels; how project-based learning and future learning strategies can be implemented in existing classrooms and facilities; how staff is examining the pedagogy in English Language Arts (ELA) versus math to see if successes can be replicated; concerns about a lack of consistency in the quality of teaching; concerns about patterns in student achievement in math as the years progress and what can be done in regards to early alerts and intervention; how internships might help with student engagement in high school; how block scheduling could help not only improve student achievement, but also alleviate academic stress reported by students; how grade inflation data compares to standardized test scores; and how the data in this presentation could be incorporated into the district’s dashboard summary. Dr. Drati reported that the next data presentation will present not only academic achievements data, but also survey information gathered on the mental health of our students.

## **.VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **.VIII.A. Consider Revising BP 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities (30 min)**

### **.VIII.B. Consider Revising BP and AR 5111 Admission**

### **.VIII.C. Consider Revising BP and AR 5111.1 District Residency**

### **.VIII.D. Consider Revising BP and AR 5125 Student Records**

### **.VIII.E. Consider Revising AR and E 5125.1 Release of Directory Information**

### **.VIII.F. Consider Adopting BP and AR 5145.13 Response to Immigration Enforcement**

### **.VIII.G. Consider Replacing BP and AR 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment**

Minutes:

Time start: 7:18 p.m. Time end: 7:38 p.m.

The board discussed Item Nos. VIII.A-G simultaneously. Staff answered board member questions regarding the definition of “proposed program” mentioned in BP and AR 5125. Corrections to typos will be made.

These will return for action and/or information at the next board meeting.

### **.VIII.H. Progress Update of the Districtwide Plan for Sustainability (15 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 7:38 p.m. Time end: 7:57p.m.

Staff answered board members’ questions regarding student input in the planning development process and incorporating the State of California’s new environmental goals into the plans. Dr. Tahvildaran-Jesswein requested that staff alert the various student environmental clubs that the district is working to comply with the changes to the City of Santa Monica’s plastic use ordinance.

### **.VIII.I. Update on Facilities Work: Summer 2018 (30 min)**

Minutes:

Time start: 7:57 p.m. Time end: 8:19 p.m.

Mr. Kean suggested that staff bring forward an updated list of deferred maintenance projects. Staff answered a question about the Roosevelt ES field.

## **.IX. MAJOR ACTION ITEMS**

## **.X. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**.X.A. Supplemental Textbooks**

**.XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:

Time start: 8:19 p.m. Time end: 8:44 p.m.

Public Comment:

- Jill Hawkins addressed the board regarding vaccinations.
- Kevin Mann, Ann Thanawalla, Sean Milliken, Tracie Cohen, Jennifer Freeman, Tybe Franklin, Frank Sackett, Amy Mirich, and Mark Fienberg addressed the board regarding campus security.

**.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**

**.XVI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**.XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Ms. Leon-Vazquez, seconded by Mr. Kean, and voted 5/0 (Mr. de la Torre and Mr. Mechur were absent) to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. The next meeting is a regular meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 4, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the Malibu City Council Chambers: 23825 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu, CA.

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

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President

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Superintendent

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