

Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District Minutes

Board of Education Regular Meeting

January 08, 2020

Malaga Cove Administration Center

375 Via Almar

Palos Verdes Estates, CA 90274

Closed Session - 5:00 p.m.

Open Session - 6:30 p.m.

Members Present

Suzanne Seymour, President

Richard Phillips, Vice President

Megan Crawford, Clerk

Matthew Brach, Member

Linda Reid, Member

Suraj Anand, Student Member

Sirena Nikolakopoulos, Student Member

Administrators Present

Alex Cherniss, Superintendent of Schools

Trent Bahadursingh, Deputy Superintendent

Keith Butler, Associate Superintendent/Business Services

Linsey Gotanda, Assistant Superintendent/Educational Services

Matthew Horvath, Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources

A. Call to Order

Minutes:

The regular session was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by the president, Ms. Seymour.

A.1. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

Minutes: None

B. Recess to Closed Session

Minutes:

President Seymour announced that the Board would recess to Closed Session to discuss the following items:

B.1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

B.2. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

B.3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation

B.4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation

B.5. Conference with Legal Counsel DFEH Matter Number: 201903-05418612

B.6. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

C. Reconvene to Open Session

Minutes:

The open session was reconvened at 6:36 p.m.

D. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

E. Report of Board Action Taken in Closed Session

Minutes:

President Seymour announced that in Closed Session the Board took the following action:

The Board approved settlement authority regarding Claim #1805779, with a roll call vote as follows:

No	Matthew Brach
Yes	Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes	Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes	Ms. Linda Reid
Yes	Ms. Suzanne Seymour

The Board approved the settlement agreement for Student #20200101, by a roll call vote as follows:

Yes	Matthew Brach
Yes	Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes	Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes	Ms. Linda Reid
Yes	Ms. Suzanne Seymour

The District will provide Student related services and Student waived all claims against the District.

The Board approved the settlement agreement for OAH Case #2019090446, by a roll call vote as follows:

No	Matthew Brach
Yes	Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes	Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes	Ms. Linda Reid
Yes	Ms. Suzanne Seymour

The District will provide Student related services and Student waived all claims against the District.

The Board approved the settlement agreement for OAH Case #2019070630, by a roll call vote as follows:

No	Matthew Brach
Yes	Ms. Megan Crawford
No	Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes	Ms. Linda Reid
Yes	Ms. Suzanne Seymour

The District will provide Student related services and Student waived all claims against the District.

F. Approval of Agenda

F.1. Approval of the Regular Board of Education Meeting Agenda for January 8, 2020

Motion Passed: That the Board (1) amend the agenda so that Agenda Report O.2.d., Authorization for Out-of-State Field Trips - PVHS - Student Television Network Convention - Washington, D.C. - March 10-15, 2020, be presented prior to Agenda Report N, Discussion/Action; and (2) approve the agenda for the Regular Board of Education Meeting of January 8, 2020, as amended.

Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Phillips and a second by Ms. Megan Crawford.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

G. Public Communications

G.1. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Minutes: None.

G.2. Public Comment on Open Session Agenda Items

Minutes:

President Seymour announced that the public would be given the opportunity to address the Board during each agenda item and that remarks would be limited to three minutes per person.

H. Approval of Minutes

H.1. Approval of the Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes for December 11, 2019

Motion Passed: That the Board approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 11, 2019, as presented.

Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Phillips and a second by Ms. Linda Reid.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

I. Board President Announcements

Minutes:

President Seymour made the following announcements:

- Tonight's Board of Education meeting is being recorded and live streamed via a link on the District website.
- Parents are invited to District-Wide TK and Kindergarten Parent Information Meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at Vista Grande Elementary School, and Thursday, January 16, 2020, at Dapplegray Elementary School.

- New student enrollment for the 2020-21 school year begins on Monday, February 3, 2020. For details about new student enrollment at all grade levels, please visit the District website @ pvpusd.net.
- All schools and the District Office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 20, 2020.
- Congratulations to Rancho Vista and Silver Spur elementary schools for being recognized by the California State Department of Education as 2020 Distinguished Schools.

J. Report of Student Board Members

K. Report of the Palos Verdes Faculty Association (PVFA) Leadership

L. Report of the Palos Verdes Chapter 123, California School Employees Association (CSEA) Leadership

M. Report of Superintendent

M.1. Discussion and Review of Current Administrative Regulation 6154, Homework/ Makeup Work and Presentation of Homework Surveys

Minutes:

Linsey Gotanda (Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services) presented data from the recent Homework Survey and answered questions from the Board.

The following individuals addressed the Board: Heather Matson (Palos Verdes Estates), Erin Majid (Rancho Palos Verdes), Tecia Barton (Manhattan Beach), Sylvia Macia Shafiezadeh (Rancho Palos Verdes), Sean Holt (Rolling Hills) and Kyle Ahn (Rancho Palos Verdes).

Departure of Student Board Members, Suraj Anand and Sirena Nikolakopulos, at 8:28 p.m.

O.2.d. Authorization for Out-of-State Field Trips - PVHS - Student Television Network Convention - Washington, D.C. - March 10-15, 2020

Minutes:

The following individuals addressed the Board: Sylvia Macia Shafiezadeh (Rancho Palos Verdes), Brook Evans (Palos Verdes Estates), Emily Yoon (Palos Verdes Estates), Sydney Merick (Palos Verdes Estates) and Renee Moore (Palos Verdes Estates).

Allan Tyner (Palos Verdes High School Principal) and Renee Vela (Palos Verdes High School Teacher) answered questions from the Board.

Motion: That the Board table the proposed out-of-state field trip to Washington, D.C. for the Live from 205 Broadcast Journalism Team to attend the Student Television Network Convention from March 10-15, 2020.

Failed with a motion by Mr. Richard Phillips and a second by Ms. Suzanne Seymour.

No	Mr. Matthew Brach
No	Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes	Mr. Richard Phillips
No	Ms. Linda Reid
Yes	Ms. Suzanne Seymour

After discussion, Dr. Cherniss (Superintendent of Schools) withdrew the agenda item, pending staff's determination on how to proceed.

N. Discussion/Action

N.1. PVPUSD Board of Education Governance Standards and Protocols

Minutes:

The Board reviewed Board Bylaw and Exhibit 9005, Governance Standards, including protocols for Board of Education Meeting management.

Motion Passed: That the Board reconfirm Board Bylaw and Exhibit 9005, Governance Standards.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Ms. Megan Crawford.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

N.2. Request for Discussion and Direction Regarding the Lunada Bay Little League Snack Shack, DSA Application A-102808

Minutes:

Terri Kamibayashi (Director of Maintenance) and Khrys Thompson (Project Support Services, Inc.) reviewed the project with the Board and answered questions.

The following individuals addressed the Board: Damian Capozzola (Palos Verdes Estates) and Daniel Nieman (Palos Verdes Estates).

After discussion, the Board provided direction to District staff regarding next steps.

N.3. Approval to Solicit a Request for Proposals for Roofing Consultant Services - RFP No. PS024-010820

Motion Passed: That the Board authorize District staff to solicit proposals for Roofing Consultant Services.

Passed with a motion by Mr. Matthew Brach and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

N.4. Approve Consulting Services Contract Related to General Obligation Bond Counsel with Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliff LLP

Motion Passed: That the Consulting Service Contract with Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliff LLP be approved, as presented.

Passed with a motion by Mr. Matthew Brach and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

N.5. Upgrade Board Meeting Agenda Management Solution

Minutes:

The Board of Education reviewed the three-year subscription agreement with Granicus along with other options for a Board of Education meeting management solution and directed staff to provide additional information.

O. Consent Calendar

O.1. Human Resources

O.1.a. Personnel Assignment Orders and Other Personnel Action

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve and/or ratify the Administrative, Certificated and Classified Assignment Orders, Educational Services consultant, Palos Verdes Peninsula High consultant, Rancho Vista Elementary consultant and Student Services consultant, as presented.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach

Yes Ms. Megan Crawford

Yes Mr. Richard Phillips

Yes Ms. Linda Reid

Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.2. Educational Services

O.2.a. Agreement for 2019-20 Services of Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for TK-12th Grade

Motion Passed: That the District enter into an agreement with the designated nonpublic schools and agencies for the purpose of providing special education and related services for TK-12th grade students for the 2019-20 school year because the student's special education needs cannot be met within the District.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach

Yes Ms. Megan Crawford

Yes Mr. Richard Phillips

Yes Ms. Linda Reid

Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.2.b. Authorization for Out-of-State Field Trip - PVPHS - Speech and Debate - Lewis and Clark Invitational - Portland, Oregon - January 17-20, 2020

Motion Passed: That the Board approve the proposed out-of-state field trip to Portland, Oregon, for the PVPHS Speech and Debate team to attend the Lewis and Clark Invitational from January 17-20, 2020.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach

Yes Ms. Megan Crawford

Yes Mr. Richard Phillips

Yes Ms. Linda Reid

Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.2.c. Authorization for Overnight Field Trip - PVHS - VEX Robotics California State Championship Competition - San Diego, CA - March 6-7, 2020

Motion Passed: That the Board approve the proposed overnight field trip to San Diego, California, for the PVHS PVIT VEX Robotics Team to attend the 2020 VEX California State Championship Competition from March 6-7, 2020.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.2.e. Authorization for Overnight Field Trip - PVIS - Band and Orchestra - Heritage Festival - San Francisco, CA - March 26-29, 2020

Motion Passed: That the Board approve the proposed overnight field trip to San Francisco, California, for the PVIS band and orchestra to attend the Heritage Festival from March 26-29, 2020.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.2.f. Authorization for Overnight Field Trip - PVPHS & PVHS - Intel International Science & Engineering Fair - Anaheim, California - May 10-15, 2020

Motion Passed: That the Board approve the proposed overnight field trip to Anaheim, California, for the PVPHS and PVHS student and/or group project finalists to participate in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair from May 10-15, 2020.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.3. Business Services

O.3.a. Monthly Contract Approval/Ratification Report

Motion Passed: That the agreements with SOS Entertainment, Roots Fundraising, Excel Interpreting and Translating, Executive Linguist Agency and Williams Scotsman be approved, as presented.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.3.b. 2019-20 Budget Revision (Gifts) - Unrestricted General Fund 01.1 (BA021)

Motion Passed: That the Board approve Budget Revision BA021 as follows:

- Budget Summary BA021 for the Unrestricted General Fund 01.1 by increasing budgeted revenues and transfers in by \$292,164 and by increasing expenditures and transfers out by \$292,164, with no change to the ending fund balance.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Reid and a second by Mr. Richard Phillips.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.3.c. Acceptance of Gifts

Motion Passed: That the gifts of materials, supplies and \$50,789.83 in cash received November 20, 2019 through December 12, 2019, be accepted, as presented.

Passed with a motion by Mr. Matthew Brach and a second by Ms. Megan Crawford.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

O.4. Approval to Solicit a Request for Proposals for Independent Audit Services - RFP No. PS023-010820

Motion Passed: That (1) the Proposal for Independent Audit Services, RFP No. PS023-010820, be amended to include the following:

- A priced option for potential Measure PV Bond Measure Audit should the Measure pass
- Exhibits as follows:
 - 2018-19 District Audits
 - Background information on Measure PV;

and (2) the Board approve solicitation of a Request for Proposal for Independent Audit Services, RFP No. PS023-010820, as amended.

Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Phillips and a second by Mr. Matthew Brach.

Yes Mr. Matthew Brach
Yes Ms. Megan Crawford
Yes Mr. Richard Phillips
Yes Ms. Linda Reid
Yes Ms. Suzanne Seymour

P. Reports of Board Members

Q. Adjournment

Minutes:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Alex Cherniss, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools and
Secretary of the Board of Education