

LOS ALTOS SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
Los Altos School District Board Room
201 Covington Road, Los Altos
September 10, 2018

CALL TO ORDER	Regular Meeting was called to order by Mr. Ivanovic at 5:30 p.m.
PRESENT	Mr. Vladimir Ivanovic, President; Ms. Jessica Speiser, Vice-President Mr. Bryan Johnson, Clerk; Mr. Sangeeth Peruri, Member; Mr. Steve Taglio, Member
ABSENT	None
ADMINISTRATION	Mr. Jeffrey Baier, Superintendent Mrs. Sandra McGonagle, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction; and Mr. Randy Kenyon, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, joined closed session at 5:31 p.m.
STAFF	Marcy Birnie, Kate Kingman, Vanessa Jordan
PRESS	Kevin Forestieri
OTHERS	Shali Sirkay, Karen Duncan, Natalie Elefant, Sam Harding, Michael Sato, Jon Winny, Ruchi Kasliwal, Jon Keeling, Peipei Yu, Nan Gao, James Percy, Yunkai Zhou, Alyssa Burgart, Neeraj Mathur, Denise Padilla, Arthur Hsieh, Sharon Clay, Kathryn Azevedo Mendoza, Shehzad Merchant, Honjun Zhu, Herb Marshall
PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA	None
CLOSED SESSION	The meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:30 p.m. conference with real property negotiators and anticipated litigation. Mr. Peruri recused himself at 6:30 p.m.
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION	The meeting reconvened at 7:08 p.m. Mr. Kenyon joined the meeting at 7:09 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mr. Ivanovic asked the public to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
AGENDA APPROVAL	MSC: Mr. Taglio, Mr. Johnson to approve the agenda. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> AYES: 5 NOES: 0 ABSENT: 0 </div>
CLOSED SESSION REPORT	Mr. Ivanovic reported no action was taken in closed session.
SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE	Mr. Baier shared the following comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful Back to School Nights were held over the past two weeks. • Our three new principals are having great success at their schools.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Minutes of the August 29, 2018 Regular Meeting
2. Purchase Orders
3. Resolution #18/19-01, Adopting the Gann Limit
4. Resolution #18/19-02, Single Subject Teaching Credential
5. Resolution #18/19-03, Multiple Subject Teaching Credential
6. Denial of Interdistrict Transfer Request 18/19-09, Does Not Meet Criteria of BP/AR 5117
7. Personnel Actions
 - Classified
 - 1. Employment
 - 1.1 Hsiao-Wun "Wendy" Chen, Instructional Assistant, Library
Effective: August 30, 2018
Salary: Range 1, Step 8
 - 1.2 Rebecca Fulcher, Instructional Assistant, I, Noon Duty, Parking Lot Attendant
Effective: September 4, 2018
Salary: Range 1, Step 8, Noon Duty
 - 1.3 Rajashri Joshi, Noon Duty
Effective: August 22, 2018
Salary: Noon Duty
 - 1.4 Eileen Pelletier, Noon Duty
Effective: August 22, 2018
Salary: Noon Duty
 - 1.5 Nirmala Rao, Instructional Assistant, Library
Effective: August 22, 2018
Salary: Range 1, Step 8
 - 1.6 Elnora Wilmer, Instructional Assistant, Special Education
Effective: September 4, 2018
Salary: Range 29, Step 8
 - 1.7 Siema Zia, Noon Duty
Effective: August 23, 2018
Salary: Noon Duty
 - 2. Resignation
 - 2.1 Joanna Chou, Instructional Assistant, Special Education
Reason: Personal
Effective: June 8, 2018
 - 2.2 Lauren Ewing, Noon Duty
Reason: Personal
Effective: June 8, 2018
 - 2.3 Amanda Mitchell, Instructional Assistant, Special Education
Reason: Personal
Effective: September 15, 2018
 - 2.4 Nirmala Rao, Noon Duty
Reason: Personal
Effective: August 22, 2018
 - 2.5 Marija Ristic Twigg, Noon Duty
Reason: Personal
Effective: August 22, 2018
 - 2.6 Claire Rodriguez, Noon Duty
Reason: Personal
Effective: August 22, 2018
 - 2.7 Lillyanne Yanez, Behavior Intervention Technician I
Effective: August 22, 2018
Salary: Range 1, Step 6

CONSENT ITEMS
(continued)

7. Personnel Actions (continued)

MSC: Mr. Taglio, Mr. Johnson to approve Consent Items 1 through 7.

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

EMPLOYEE REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Mr. Ricky Hu, LATA President, is looking forward to working through the process for new teacher housing.

Mrs. Suzanne Lowe, CSEA President, was unable to attend the meeting.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

None.

INFORMATION/
ACTION

Summer School Report

Kate Kingman, Sumer School Principal, presented information on the special education and the Elevate math intervention programs, as well as the new Challenger Camp. The Challenger Camp provided literacy intervention for 120 students who were significantly behind in reading. This full-day program was a collaboration with the Silicon Valley Education Foundation and the YMCA to also provide the students with a summer camp experience. Student progress was shared and continued monitoring of their progress will continue with the assessments administered throughout the school year.

ThoughtExchange
Final Report

Mr. Baier reported ThoughtExchange was commissioned to gather additional community input on the use of a tenth site. The online forum was conducted from June 6-18, 2018, with 1,012 participants sharing their thoughts on the following question, 'What are some perspectives we need to consider as we make decisions about the new school in our community?' Participants were able to view all the shared thoughts as well as add stars to the thoughts of others in order to discover the important topics to the community. Dr. Ann Skelcher and Tristan Read of ThoughtExchange shared an overview of the results.

10th Site Task Force Final Report

Mr. Manny Barbara of Silicon Valley Education Foundation facilitated the 10th Site Task Force. Mr. Barbara reported interest-based strategies were used to generate options for use of the tenth site. Four options were considered and the process to reach a final recommendation was shared. The task force was unable to reach a unanimous recommendation, but did reach a 6-3 majority agreement to build a new school for the charter school at the tenth site.

Herb Marshall, James Percy, Yunkai Zhou, Shehzad Merchant, Arthur Hsieh, Jon Keeling, Jim Flynn, Sharon Clay, Neeraj Mathur, Maggie Du, Jon Winny, Peipei Yu Pollman, Denise Padilla, and Natalie Elephant provided public comment.

Financial Update

Mr. Kenyon presented the 2017-18 Unaudited Actuals for approval.

MSC: Mr. Taglio, Ms. Speiser to accept the report as presented.

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

Annual Developer Fee Report

Mr. Kenyon presented a report of the revenue generated from developer fees and the expenditures of those monies. The report also included the fees and expenditures from the previous four years to satisfy the 5-year reporting requirement.

Consideration of
Approval of Findings
Regarding Joint Use
Agreements;
Consideration of
Approval and
Renewal of Joint
Use Agreements

Mr. Kenyon presented the findings and renewals of joint use agreements with Los Altos Parent Preschool and four childcare providers for approval.

Board members shared their concerns with the agreements.

A request was made for a motion to approve the Consideration of Approval of Findings Regarding Joint Use Agreements and Consideration of Approval and Renewal of Joint Use Agreements. A motion was not made and this item will be brought back at a future meeting.

Resolution #18/19-04, Opposing Measure C

Mr. Baier presented a resolution in opposition to Measure C. Legal counsel was consulted and it was determined that action could be taken on this measure since LASD would potentially be affected if it is approved by voters in November. The impacts to the district are a public vote at a cost to the district if property is leased from the city of Los Altos and the potential loss of property tax revenue.

MSC: Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ivanovic to approve Resolution #18/19-04, Opposing Measure C.

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

BOARD AND ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Mrs. McGonagle:

- Principal's Exchange will be here on September 11 at Almond, Santa Rita and Egan.
- Phonics training for first grade teachers will be held on September 12.
- The 3rd Annual Battle of the Schools will be held on September 13.

Mr. Kenyon:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Mr. Baier:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Mr. Taglio:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Mr. Johnson:

- Board Office Hours at the Farmer's Market will be held on September 13.

Ms. Speiser:

- Attended the Gardner Bullis 10th anniversary celebration.

Mr. Ivanovic:

- Attended the Gardner Bullis 10th anniversary celebration.
- Attended the Los Altos Community Foundation 20th anniversary celebration.
- Spoke with Supervisor Simitian and he stated the teacher housing proposal is only in the conceptual stage and is only gathering interest in the concept from the targeted five districts.

Mr. Peruri:

- Attended Jim Thurber's memorial this past weekend.
- Students at Covington have started a school newspaper.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

Jeffrey Baier, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Bryan Johnson, Clerk