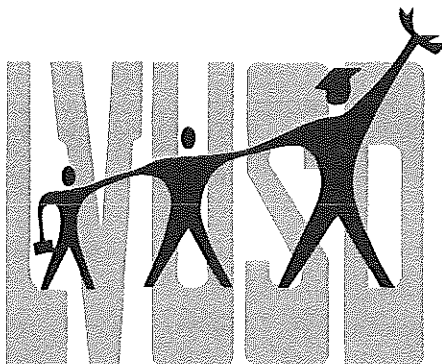


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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
October 9, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

Board President Dallas Lawrence called the Board meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. at the Las Virgenes Unified School District, 4111 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, CA.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Angela Cutbill
Dallas Lawrence
Linda Menges
Lesli Stein
Mathy Wasserman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

**BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION REGARDING CALENDARING ASSIGNMENTS
AND GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION
AGENDA**

There were no comments from the audience regarding items on the Closed Session agenda.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:02 p.m.

A discussion was held regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Conference with Labor Negotiator - Agency Designated Representative - Dr. Rose Dunn, and Student Discipline.

ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/OPEN SESSION

President Lawrence reconvened the Board meeting at 6:05 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Angela Cutbill

Dallas Lawrence

Linda Menges

Lesli Stein

Mathy Wasserman

Calabasas High School student board member Allison Flame (at the dais)

Agoura High School student board member Nicolette Gelnak (in the audience)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Daniel Stepenosky, Superintendent

Dr. Clara Finneran, Assistant Superintendent of Education

Dr. Rose Dunn, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel

Karen Kimmel, Assistant Superintendent of Business

Robbie Amodio, Director of Classified Personnel

Ryan Gleason, Director of Education and Leadership

Steve Scifres, Director of Curriculum and Athletics

Dr. Derek Ihori, Director of Pupil Services

Jim Klein, Chief Technology Officer

STAFF ABSENT

None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sumac Elementary School second grade students, Macy Van Gelder, Miles Logan, and Isabella Mashpure.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

President Lawrence reported that in a vote of 5 to 0 in favor, the Board approved a settlement agreement with employee number BT8078726.

President Lawrence reported that in a vote of 5 to 0 in favor, the Board approved a settlement agreement with employee number WR0217731.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of Ms. Wasserman, seconded by Ms. Menges, the Board of Education approved the Agenda of October 9, 2018.

Board Motion Carried 5:0 as follows:

AYES: Board members Cutbill, Lawrence, Menges, Stein, and Wasserman

NAYES: None

Student Preferential Vote Carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Ms. Menges, seconded by Ms. Wasserman, the Board of Education approved the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2018, June 26, 2018, June 29, 2018, July 10, 2018, and July 24, 2018.

Board Motion Carried 5:0 as follows:

AYES: Board members Cutbill, Lawrence, Menges, Stein, and Wasserman

NAYES: None

Student Preferential Vote Carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATION

Sumac Elementary School second graders demonstrated a Total Physical Response (TPR)

“Brain Break” sung entirely in Spanish.

The Board of Education recognized and thanked September Certificated Employee of the Month - Lindero Canyon Middle School Special Education Teacher, Marty Freel and Classified Employee of the Month - District Office Accounting Technician III, Phyllis Kenney.

The Board of Education recognized and thanked Lost Hills Sheriffs Deputies Dave Diestel and Rudy Torrontegui.

Ms. Flame said Calabasas High School (CHS) students were excited to participate in the student panel during the District’s Staff Development Day which took place October 8 at Calabasas High School. She said CHS activities have included discussions related to Student 360 and mindfulness, a successful community blood drive, and a Student Senate meeting on October 2 which allows students who are not involved in Leadership an opportunity to share their opinions. She said upcoming events include, a Hispanic Heritage Fiesta at lunchtime on October 10, a senior spaghetti night fundraiser for the senior class, a music concert featuring all of the Acapella groups on October 18, a Pink Pack game in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month on October 19, and a GenUN women’s panel on October 20 providing an opportunity for successful women in business and education to share their experiences with the community. Finally, Ms. Flame said CHS is looking forward to spirit week followed by the pep rally and homecoming dance.

Ms. Stein said she and Ms. Menges attended the City Schools Committee meeting which includes LVUSD and the cities of Agoura Hills and Westlake Village. She said the LA Rams will participate as the Grand Marshall at the City of Agoura Hills Reyes Adobe Days parade on October 12.

Ms. Stein said she and Ms. Cutbill visited Agoura High School’s Early College Academy class which targets first generation college bound and socio-economically disadvantaged students. She said the students enrolled in this class will receive dual credit for both Moorpark College and high school college credit. She said this program provides students graduating high school with two years of college credit which is a great financial savings for their families. Finally, Ms. Stein said she attended the Agoura High School homecoming game and is pleased to report that the community is appreciative for the District’s elimination of fireworks.

Ms. Menges said the City of Westlake Village stated at the City Schools Committee meeting that it is once again sponsoring the Senior Genius Club at Agoura High School on the first Tuesday of each month. She said at the Senior Genius Club senior citizens from the area can receive technology support from AHS students. Ms. Menges thanked Ms. Wasserman for hosting the District at the City of Hidden Hills Fiesta celebration on September 29. Finally Ms. Menges said the first parent 360 Coffee and Conversation meeting took place on October 1 at the district office and she encouraged the community to participate in these informative and insightful events.

Ms. Cutbill stated that the Staff Development Day was a success and that it was wonderful to see all the certificated and classified staff training together.

Ms. Wasserman said that today the district office hosted the City of Calabasas Chamber of Commerce Education Meeting, which brings together many education partners in the community and supports all families throughout the District. She said cabinet members and The Foundation shared information with the community partners on ways they could support LVUSD. Finally Ms. Wasserman said it is wonderful to see the enthusiasm throughout the high schools as students assist local community members to sign up to vote.

Mr. Lawrence said he and Ms. Wasserman participated in the Technology Committee meeting last week and that it is exciting to see how far the District has come over the past five years as a national model for 1:1 technology in the classrooms. He said he is pleased to hear how teachers are using technology, introducing additional resources, and creating specialized curriculum in their classrooms. Mr. Lawrence said the Staff Development Day was well organized and informative with teachers sharing best practices and techniques on connecting with students.

Superintendent Dr. Daniel Stepenosky said Staff Development Day was a day of celebration and congratulated Certificated Employee of the Year, Ed Edsall and Classified Employee of Year, Martha Early. He said that on October 10 the PSAT 8/9 will be administered to eight grade students and that the District will participate in the annual Walk to School Day. Dr. Stepenosky said that President Lawrence will be the keynote speaker at the second annual State of Our Schools Address on October 16, where students, staff, and community partners will be celebrated.

Dr. Finneran said Staff Development Day serves as another opportunity for the District to recognize its outstanding staff members and that the feedback from staff has been that the day was cohesive, positive, and inclusive. She thanked Calabasas High School for hosting and the Educational Services staff for their hard work.

Mr. Scifres said that on October 10 the PSAT 8/9 will be administered to all eight-grade students and the PSAT NMSQT will be administered to all tenth grade students. He thanked all the teachers, administrators, and custodial staff that helped prepare school sites for the day of testing. Mr. Scifres said upon completion of the testing tomorrow, elementary school grade level lead teachers will meet to discuss the new curriculum and share best practices.

Mr. Klein said the Technology Department has been completing the installation of the security cameras and new telephone system throughout the District. He said the new ten-gigabyte internet system upgrade has greatly increased the District's internet speed with reduced interruption.

Dr. Ihori said that on Staff Development Day the Pupil Services Department provided various specialized sessions for school psychologists and speech and language pathologists. He said an Assisted Technology Specialist from the Ventura County SELPA provided a two-hour training on Assistive Technology and Augmentative Alternative Communication Devices. Dr. Ihori said special education staff was also provided two hours of training on Student Study Teams (SST) and 504s.

Ms. Amodio said she had the pleasure of jointly presenting with Dr. Finneran, Ms. Kimmel, and Ms. Wenter to district office staff, maintenance and operations staff, and custodial staff. She said there was a true sense of comradery and a greater understanding of the Student 360 principles.

Mr. Gleason said that at the October 1 Coffee and Conversation community event Clinical Social Worker and Therapist, Todd Walker presented on the topic of supporting LGBTQ students within our community. He said on October 22, Lost Hills Sheriff's Deputy Dave Diestel will discuss the book, *How To Hug a Porcupine* by Julie A. Ross and that he will provide an overview of the dangers of e-cigarette devices. Mr. Gleason said on November 5 the District will present the documentary *On the Way to School*, which is a story of four students from different parts of the world and the long distances they travel to attend school. Finally, Mr. Gleason said an information session has been held for the third cohort of the Center EdX Preliminary Administrative Services Credential (PASC) program.

Ms. Kimmel said she attended the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Women's Leadership Conference in September where Assistant Superintendent of Education, Dr. Clara Finneran and Calabasas High School Assistant Principal for Curriculum, Dr. Jacqueline Duncan had an engaging and informative presentation on the effective management of stress.

Dr. Dunn stated that she is pleased to hear about all the staff development opportunities throughout the District. She said Calabasas High School Principal, C.J. Foss recently hosted administrators and PASC candidates to observe a new teacher in the classroom followed by a debrief where the teacher was able to share their experience in what has helped them grow as a teacher.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the audience on items not on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA - A

On motion of Ms. Cutbill, seconded by Ms. Wasserman, the Board of Education approved Consent Agenda - A, Items 1 through 3 and 5 through 6. Item 4 was pulled and will be reintroduced at a future meeting.

Board Motion carried 5:0 as follows:

AYES: Board members Cutbill, Lawrence, Menges, Stein, and Wasserman

NAYES: None

Student Preferential Vote carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

1. Approved Overnight Field Trip Request 18-19.07 for the Agoura High School 9th through 12th grade varsity female cross country team to travel to the CIF State Championships in Clovis, CA
2. Approved Resolution No. 8-18 Interfund Cash Transfer for Deferred Maintenance
3. Approved Acceptance of Notice of Completion - Mission Paving and Sealing Inc., Asphalt Replacement Project at 4345 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, CA 91302 in the amount of \$30,250
4. Approval of Acceptance of Notice of Completion - Mission Paving & Sealing Inc., Asphalt Replacement Project at Calabasas High School, Sumac Elementary School and White Oak Elementary School was pulled to be reintroduced at a future meeting
5. Approved Disposal of Surplus Personal Property, as presented
6. Approved Warrants, as presented

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA - B

On motion of Ms. Stein, seconded by Ms. Menges, the Board of Education approved Consent Agenda - B, Items 1 and 2.

Board Motion Carried 5:0 as follows:

AYES: Board members Cutbill, Lawrence, Menges, Stein, and Wasserman

NAYES: None

1. Approved the Expulsion of the Student in Disciplinary Case No. 18-19.02 (Choices)
2. Approved the Personnel Document dated 10-9-18, enumerating employee changes as listed in the attached document.

ACTION AGENDA

1. The Educational Services Department presented the LVUSD-VCCCD College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Agreement beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021. Mr. Gleason said the Agreement with Moorpark College will allow LVUSD students exclusive access to dual enrollment classes on the Agoura High School and Calabasas High School campuses via the new Early College Academy. He said the Agreement was presented as an information item at the September 25, 2018 Board meeting in accordance with the California Education Code requirements, and that the Ventura County Community College Board is also in the process of approving the agreement.

Ms. Stein requested further clarification of the contract. Mr. Gleason stated that the program is intended for any student and the CCAP agreement can be used for student advancement.

Ms. Stein asked if an addendum is included as stated in the contract. Mr. Gleason said that the agreement is based on a standard CCAP contract and that the LVUSD contract does not have an addendum. Mr. Gleason added that LVUSD will cover the cost of textbooks and has requested a three year commitment of single title textbooks.

Ms. Stein asked if the data collected will be included in the LCAP data and Mr. Gleason confirmed that it will.

On an amended motion by Ms. Stein, seconded by Ms. Cutbill, the Board of Education approved the LVUSD-VCCCD College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Agreement removing the mention of addendums.

Board Motion Carried 5:0 as follows:

AYES: Board members Cutbill, Lawrence, Menges, Stein, and Wasserman

NAYES: None

Student Preferential Vote carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

2. Ms. Kimmel presented Resolution No. 7-18 for 180 Day Wait Period Exception required for a retired CALPERS employee to return on a limited basis. She said the Accounting Department is at a critical point in the LACOE financial software conversion project and has identified one individual who is a subject matter expert and has essential knowledge in order to keep the conversion process moving forward. She said the anticipated need is for the services is approximately ten hours per week. She said the rules of the retirement system require a six month wait period for recent retirees to return to employment with the District, however the Board can pass a resolution to waive the wait period.

On motion of Ms. Cutbill, seconded by Ms. Wasserman, the Board of Education approved Resolution No. 7-18 - 180 Day Wait Period Exception

Board Motion Carried 5:0 as follows:

AYES: Board members Cutbill, Lawrence, Menges, Stein, and Wasserman

NAYES: None

Student Preferential Vote carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

INFORMATION

1. The Educational Services Department presented information on a multi-tiered system of behavioral support for students in LVUSD taking a strategic and aggressive approach to address the illegal and unsafe use of vaporizers or "vaping".

Dr. Finneran said the driving force has been consistent discipline and behavioral intervention. She shared information related to positive behavior intervention systems which have been consistently implemented across all LVUSD elementary and secondary schools. Dr. Finneran said Elementary School Positive Behavior and Intervention Systems (PBIS) facilitate behavior corrected through a combination of counseling and discipline with high accountability, high support, implementation of Student 360 strategies to build community, mindfulness, grit, and empathy. She said the secondary schools have a new intervention system where students with vape/nicotine offenses and non-expellable first time offenses attend an administrative hearing panel at Lost Hills Sheriff station with their parents. She said the panel consists of a Lost Hills Sheriff's Deputy, District Attorney, Social Worker, Nurse, and the Director of Education and Leadership.

Mr. Gleason said the Department of Justice Nicotine Grant has allowed the District to develop new partnerships and provide tools that give students high accountability and high support. He said the administrative hearing panel experts identify support for the student and their parents by discussing consequences based on prior disciplinary offenses and offer a variety of available tools including mandatory counseling, parent group support, mandatory 10 hour online class on the health risks. Mr. Gleason said that if the behavior continues, there will be a citation, suspension of drivers license, teen court referral which yields mandatory community service, and the LVUSD CHOICES program. He said for the next two years, every student in grades 4 through 9 will receive lessons from the LA County Police Department about vape and e-cigarette usage with the Deans of Wellness and Safety working in small and large groups with 10th through 12th grade students.

Lupin Hill Elementary School Principal, Scott Foli and Sumac Elementary School Principal, Liberty Logan shared their experiences with the intervention systems implemented at Lupin Hill Elementary School and Sumac Elementary School. Dean of Athletics at Agoura High School, Garrett Lepisto shared information from the high school perspective.

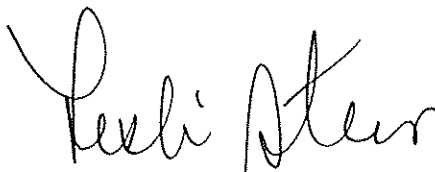
Mr. Lawrence suggested a round table meeting including the mayors of each of the cities in our district and local businesses to proactively discuss preventative measures and partnerships. The Board requested the Deans of Safety and Wellness provide an update within thirty days. The Board discussed the District's strategies for prevention, education, and detection and commended staff for keeping LVUSD at the forefront educating the community and prevention.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

2-26-19

Date Approved


Clerk, Board of Education