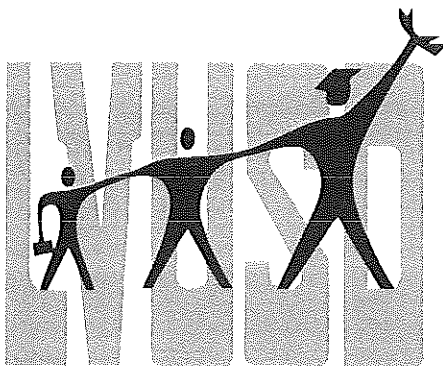


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BOARD OF EDUCATION Minutes of Regular Board Meeting April 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

Board President Linda Menges called the Board meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. at the Las Virgenes Unified School District, 4111 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, CA.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Angela Cutbill
Dallas Lawrence
Linda Menges
Mathy Wasserman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Lesli Stein

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 5:12 p.m.

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

CALL TO ORDER/OPEN SESSION

President Menges reconvened the Board meeting at 6:10 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Angela Cutbill

Dallas Lawrence

Linda Menges

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

Lesli Stein

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 Ihuri, Director of Pupil Services

Jim Klein, Chief Technology Officer

STAFF ABSENT

None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rachel Kress, the daughter of White Oak Elementary School teacher Joanne Kress.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

President Menges reported that the Board of Education took no specific action in Closed Session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Ms. Wasserman, the Board of Education approved the Agenda of April 9, 2019.

Board Motion Carried 4:0:1 as follows:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Board member Stein

Student Preferential Vote Carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATION

The Calabasas High School a cappella group Unstrumental, under the direction of Music Director Joshua Barroll, thrilled the audience with their performance of "Dig Down" by Muse.

The Board of Education recognized and thanked Certificated Employee of the Month, White Oak Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher, Joanne Kress and Classified Employee of the Month, Buttercup Preschool Para-Educator, Shannon Ybarra.

Ms. Flame said Calabasas High School held its annual Kevin Cordasco Foundation basketball game, eight grade students visited and toured the Calabasas High School campus on April 10 and that the last blood drive of the year and Murder Mystery Night will take place on April 11 and 12. She said the Journalism class fundraising night is scheduled for April 23 at Chick-fil-A and the Associated Student Body (ASB) elections will take place on April 24 and 25. Finally, Ms. Flame said there will be an Earth Day celebration on Friday April 26.

Ms. Cutbill forewent comments.

Ms. Wasserman thanked all families who participated in The Foundation's online silent auction.

Mr. Lawrence forewent comments.

Ms. Menges said she visited Agoura High School on April 8 for the first day of their Every 15 Minutes program.

Superintendent Dr. Daniel Stepenosky thanked State Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel for visiting the credentialing program at Center EdX last week and he thanked Board members Angela Cutbill and Linda Menges for their participation. He said Agoura High School's annual MVP varsity baseball game was another enjoyable and successful event and he shared photographs of LVUSD's new event called Kickin' it with the Sheriffs where Lost Hills Sheriff deputies played kickball with elementary school administrators and students.

Dr. Finneran said the District held a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Committee meeting last week and the Educational Services Department continues to make progress on the evolution of the LCAP while we plan for the next school year.

Mr. Scifres said the last of four grade level lead meetings will take place on April 10. He said grade level lead teachers from each of the elementary school sites have discussed various district initiatives and are creating their plan for the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Scifres said that on April 10 teachers will also discuss the current TK-5 History/Social Science curriculum and will plan for the exploration of the 2019-2020 Science material.

Mr. Klein said esports, also known as competitive gaming, is becoming recognized as a CIF sport. He said the Technology Department is exploring creating esports teams at both high schools and that there are various esports scholarships available at universities such as UC Irvine and USC. Mr. Klein said esports gamers tend to do very well in STEM careers and the District looks forward to starting these teams and seeing continued growth in the area.

Dr. Ihori said Agoura High School recently held its MVP baseball game where the varsity baseball team and students with special needs played a game of baseball, which he described as a heartwarming school-wide event that celebrates all students. Dr. Ihori thanked Farrah Albert, Jeff Peterson, and the varsity baseball team for coordinating the special event.

Finally Dr. Ihori said Yerba Buena Elementary School had a disability awareness week and dedicated each day of the week to educating students about a different type of disability.

Ms. Amodio said the District's annual benefit concert featuring Wilson Phillips will take place on May 17. She also said the Personnel and Business departments are deeply immersed in working with the LA County Office of Education to transition the District's software systems.

Mr. Gleason said LVUSD will have an Early College Academy Information Night for the expansion of the Early College Academy on Monday April 22. He said Ms. Wenter and Mr. Freel have been making great progress planning for summer school where the District will offer six sections of Freshman Seminar and the opportunity for students to work toward credit recovery. Finally, Mr. Gleason said the District is recruiting the fourth cohort of the Center EdX Preliminary Administrative Services Credential (PASC) program and approximately 20 individuals have expressed interest.

Ms. Kimmel said the District will present a screening of "A Plastic Ocean" at the Agoura High School campus on April 24 cohosted by the Associated Student Body (ASB) and the District's Environmental Stewardship Council. Ms. Kimmel shared a photograph from last week's Measure G Bond Oversight Committee meeting held at Lupin Hill Elementary School allowing the committee to get a first hand view of the "Lupin Hill Project" construction.

Dr. Dunn said seven LVUSD administrators joined the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Region 13 for the annual Legislative Action Day on Capitol Hill and met with legislatures and state department staff. Dr. Dunn said LVUSD's three priorities included the budget and increasing it to the national average, special education funding bills that would give more funding to students who are categorized as special education, and mental health.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Community members Gary Fasola and David Katz addressed the Board regarding Measure E.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA - A

On motion of Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Ms. Wasserman, the Board of Education approved Consent Agenda - A, Items 1 through 8.

Board Motion carried 4:0:1 as follows:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Board member Stein

Student Preferential Vote carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

1. Approved Overnight Field Trip Request 18-19.39 for the Agoura High School 10th through 12th grade varsity baseball team to compete in the Lyons Tournament in San Diego, CA
2. Approved to Replace Subcontractor to Lease-Back Contractor at Lupin Hill Elementary School for Multi-Purpose Building Construction Project
3. Approved Job Description - Intervention Specialist, as Presented
4. Approved Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints, as Presented
5. Approved Warrants, as Presented
6. Approved Gifts, as Presented
7. Approved Disposal of Surplus Personal Property, as Presented
8. Approved Purchase Orders, as Presented

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA - B

On motion of Ms. Cutbill, seconded by Ms. Wasserman, the Board of Education approved Consent Agenda - B, Item 1 through 5.

Board Motion Carried 4:0:1 as follows:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Board member Stein

1. Approved the Expulsion of the Student in Disciplinary Case No. 17-18.07, as presented
2. Approved the Expulsion of the Student in Disciplinary Case No. 18-19.07, as presented
3. Approved Resolution 24-18 - Declaring Salaries Indefinite to Authorize Retroactive Pay Changes
4. Approved Rejection of Claim No. 1905837 v Las Virgenes Unified School District
5. Approved the Personnel Document dated 4-9-19, enumerating employee changes as listed in the attached document

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

1. Mr. Scifres presented information on the Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Curriculum adoption for grades TK, Kindergarten, and 1st grade for the 2019-2020 school year. He said Phonemic Awareness is the number one predictor of reading success and the curriculum provides multisensory routines that can be applied to any reading lesson to ensure multiple entry points for all students to master reading. He said the curriculum would be used as tier 1 support by the primary classroom teacher and gives students additional support and teaches skills to be on grade level to meet the needs of the current curriculum. Mr. Scifres said an average of 25 teachers participated in five talent development sessions over the course of the past two years. He said teachers who participated in the training were eligible to take part in the pilot program. Literacy and Language Coach Lauren Walsh, and teachers Brittany Fenton, and Elizabeth Ferguson presented additional information on playful yet educational examples of the Heggerty Phonemic Awareness strategies.

On motion of Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Ms. Cutbill, the Board of Education approved the Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Curriculum.

Board Motion Carried 4:0:1 as follows:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Board member Stein

Student Preferential Vote Carried 1:0 as follows:

AYES: Student board member Flame

2. Ms. Amodio presented, "sunshined", the proposed contract between the Las Virgenes Unified School District and the Las Virgenes Classified Association.

On motion of Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Ms. Cutbill, the Board of Education opened the Public Hearing: Presentation of Joint Initial Re-openers for the Classified Contract by the Las Virgenes Unified School District and the Las Virgenes Classified Association.

Board Motion Carried 4:0:1 as follows:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Board member Stein

On motion of Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Ms. Cutbill, the Board of Education closed the Public Hearing: Presentation of Joint Initial Re-openers for the Classified Contract by the Las Virgenes Unified School District and the Las Virgenes Classified Association.

Board Motion Carried 4:0:1 as follows:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Board member Stein

3. Ms. Amodio presented the proposed Presentation of Joint Initial Re-openers for the Classified Contract by the Las Virgenes Unified School District and the Las Virgenes Classified Association.

On motion of Ms. Cutbill, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the Board of Education approved the Presentation of Joint Initial Re-Openers for the Classified Contract by the Las Virgenes Unified School District and the Las Virgenes Classified Association.

Board Motion Carried 4:0:1 as follows:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Board member Stein

INFORMATION

1. Mr. Gleason said LVUSD is currently in its third year of the 2017-2020 LCAP cycle and there are 33 actions outlined in the 2019-2020 LCAP draft which will be presented to the Board for feedback prior to finalizing the document for approval in June 2019. He said the District has refined or added the following actions: Deployment of alternative education programs in grades 6-12; Expansion of access to early childhood education; Expanding Career Technical Education partnerships and pathways; Early intervention for literacy and math; Development of multi-tiered counseling services and arts integration in K-5; and Focused professional development to form strong Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). He said early intervention for ELA and mathematics continue to be a goal and we need strong professional learning communities that can collaborate, look at data, and refine practice as education continues to rapidly evolve. He said in 2018-2019 the District developed tier 2 interventions and has been working with the Pathways committee on alternative education for 2019-2020 to give Student Study teams (SST) options. He said access to pre-school, advancement opportunities, and summer school are areas that the District wants to grow and the Education Services Department has been authoring grants to help make them possible.

Mr. Gleason said the District continues to make the focus and accomplishments of the LCAP accessible and easy to decipher by members of the community.

Mr. Lawrence asked if the process of creating and maintaining the LCAP has been justifiable and beneficial in determining how funding is allocated or if it has been an added bureaucratic burden.

Dr. Stepenosky said staff used the compliance requirement of creating and managing the LCAP as an opportunity to identify and align programs and district goals. He said two years prior to creating the LCAP the District began planning for the necessary shifts in fund allocation and said that Mr. Gleason and the LCAP Committee have done a phenomenal job in making the data accessible.

Ms. Cutbill said she has been on the LCAP Committee for several years and that the District has done a good job distilling LVUSD's goals and accomplishments despite the bureaucratic requirements.

Mr. Lawrence asked if the California School Board Association (CSBA) or other entities are advocating to the new state governor, state superintendent, or chairman of the committee on how things can be changed to reduce the busy bureaucratic work which equates to a lot of staff hours, and whether other school districts are having similar discussions.

Mr. Gleason said many school districts dedicate a full time Director of LCAP. He said the CDE's original concept has evolved and grown and it is antithetical for local control to micro manage the School Board approved plan.

Ms. Cutbill said she has spoken to many other school district board members who consider the process of managing the LCAP as part of doing business.

Mr. Gleason said the process of our Board members working with our LCAP Committee, being strategic, and consolidating our actions into focused areas is beneficial, however the bureaucratic requirements of having 33 actions is labor intensive.

Ms. Wasserman asked if any actions "sunset" because they have been accomplished or have been incorporated into new actions.

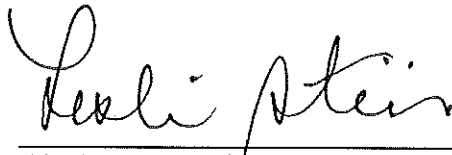
Mr. Gleason replied that actions do not "sunset", rather they evolve such as Parent Education and Student 360.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

6-11-19

Date Approved



Clerk, Board of Education