

SULPHUR SPRINGS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

June 28, 2023

MINUTES

Meeting Location:

Sulphur Springs Union School District
27000 Weyerhaeuser Way
Santa Clarita, CA 91351

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, President
Mrs. Paola Jellings, Clerk
Mr. Ken Chase, Member
Mr. Denis DeFigueiredo, Member

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Mrs. Lori MacDonald, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent
Dr. Joshua Randall, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Dr. Jezelle Fullwood, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Ms. Nancy Raygoza, District Executive Secretary

STAFF ABSENT:

Dr. Jay Greenlinger, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel/Pupil Services

Call to Order, Roll Call

Mrs. Weinstein called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:03 PM and noted the absence of Board Member, Mrs. Lori MacDonald and District Staff Member, Dr. Jay Greenlinger, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel/Pupil Services.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Paola Jellings, Clerk, led the Pledge of Allegiance after Mrs. Weinstein wished Mrs. Jellings a Happy Birthday.

Approval of Agenda,

*Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Agenda.

Approval of Regular Minutes, June 14, 2023

*Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Minutes of the June 14, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

Hearing Session, Advance Request(s) to Address the Board

Mrs. Weinstein asked if any advanced requests to address the Board had been received. There were no requests to address the Board.

Hearing Session, Comments and/or Questions Regarding Agenda Items

Mrs. Weinstein asked if there were any comments or questions regarding agenda items. There were no comments or questions regarding agenda items.

Consent Calendar,
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows:

- Conference Action Report #R-23-11
- Field Trip Action Report N/A
- Gift Action Report N/A
- Personnel Action Report #R-23-11
- Arcadia Audiometrics agreement 23-24
- 2023-2024 Education Protection Account (EPA) Spending Plan
- Renaissance Renewal Contract
- Approval ESGI Assessment Software Agreement
- Approval Renewal Licensing Agreement for Document Tracking Services (DTS)
- Renewal - Seesaw Assessment System
- Renewal - Unique N2y, LLC Curriculum
- Consultant Agreement - Balls and Whistles DBA: Amazing Athletes - Expanded Learning Opportunities Program - Canyon Springs Community School, Fair Oaks Ranch Community School, Golden Oak Community School, Leona Cox Community School, Mint Canyon Community School, Mitchell Community School, Pinetree Community School, Sulphur Springs Community School and Valley View Community School
- Consultant Agreement - The Flippen Group DBA Capturing Kids' Hearts - Golden Oak Community School
- LACOE- Storm Water Compliance Contract
- Disposal of Surplus/Obsolete Materials
- Agreement with SchoolsFirst to Administer the 403(b) Plan
- Approval of SchoolsFirst Plan Administration's Common Remittance Service Agreement to provide remittance services for the 3121 FICA Alternative Plan
- HELP Group NPS Master Contract + Student ISA 23/24
- LRA Interpreters Agreement 22-23

Following the approval of the Consent Calendar Dr. Kawaguchi introduced to the Board of Trustees, Ms. Janine Terrazas, as the new Assistant Principal and Mr. Matthew Gilpin, as the new Principal at Canyon Springs Community School. The Board of Trustees welcomed Ms. Terrazas and Mr. Gilpin to the District.

Mrs. Weinstein announced a recess at 7:09 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 7:17PM.

Conference Calendar,
District Arts Plan

Dr. Fullwood shared with the Board of Trustees the implementation of the District's Visual and Performing Arts Plan (VAPA) offered to students within all general and special education classrooms. Staff, along with the support of the Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture, engaged in creating a Plan that will align goals, programs, and actions to support increased VAPA for all. Dr. Fullwood presented the proposed VAPA Plan to the Board of Trustees, and invited Ms. Melissa Valencia to speak to the Board of Trustees regarding the Plan.

Conference Calendar,
District English Language
Advisory Committee End of
Year Report

Mrs. Vivian Fiss, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, reported to the Board of Trustees on the 2022-23 goals and actions of the Sulphur Springs Union School District English Language Advisory Committee (DELAC). Mrs. Vivian Fiss also introduced Ms. Sofia Sosa, parent and the Canyon Springs Community School District English Language Advisory Committee Representative to the Board of Trustees. The purpose of the DELAC is

to advise the Board of Trustees regarding programs for English Learner students. Mrs. Fiss shared the discussion on topics presented to DELAC members throughout the year, including presentations regarding the Local Control and Accountability Plan. The Board Members asked questions and thanked Mrs. Fiss and the Parent for the presentation.

Conference Calendar,
*Update on The Expanded
Learning Opportunities
Program*

Dr. Jezelle Fullwood and Mrs. Vivian Fiss provided to the Board of Trustees, an update regarding the implementation of the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program and the RISE Education partnership. The presentation covered the program schedule, and the roll-out to all nine schools in 2023-2024 school year.

Conference Calendar,
i-Ready Presentation

Dr. Fullwood presented to the Board of Trustees the i-Ready Assessment and Personalized Instruction Tool. She shared that the tool provides administrators and teachers the data needed to target instruction where it is needed most for students. i-Ready Assessment and Personalized Instruction Tool is aligned to the California State Standards. The assessments will be administered to students three times per year to assist in progress monitoring of student growth.

Conference Calendar,
*Board Policy and
Administrative Regulation
5123
Promotion/Acceleration/Re
tention*

Dr. Fullwood shared with the Board of Trustees, an update to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5123, which aligns the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation with updated legislation regarding Promotion, Acceleration, and Retention.

Action Calendar,
*Approval of the Local
Control and Accountability
Plan
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

Dr. Kawaguchi presented to the Board of Trustees the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the 2023-2024 school year. The LCAP describes how the District will meet annual goals for all students based on specific state and local priorities. The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Local Control and Accountability Plan.

Action Calendar,
*Resolution R-23-33:
Commitment of Fund
Balances
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

Dr. Randall presented to the Board of Trustees Resolution R-23-33: Commitment of Fund Balances. The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve Resolution R-23-33: Commitment of Fund Balances.

Action Calendar,
*Adoption of the Sulphur
Springs Union School
District's 2023-24 Budget
and Multi-Year Projections
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

Dr. Randall presented to the Board of Trustees the Adoption of the Sulphur Springs Union School District's 2023-24 Budget and Multi-Year Projections. The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Adoption of the Sulphur Springs Union School District's 2023-24 Budget and Multi-Year Projections.

Action Calendar,

*Approval of Application for
Exemption from the
Required Expenditures for
Classroom Teachers'
Salaries*

Weinstein-Aye

Jellings-Aye

Chase-Aye

DeFigueiredo-Aye

MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Randall presented to the Board of Trustees the Application for Exemption from the Required Expenditures for Classroom Teachers' Salaries. The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. Jellings and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Application for Exemption from the Requires Expenditures for Classroom Teachers' Salaries.

Action Calendar,

*Resolution R-23-40 of the
Governing Board of the
Sulphur Springs Union
School District Approving
Assignment of Delinquent
Tax Receivables to the
California Statewide
Delinquent Tax Finance
Authority*

Weinstein-Aye

Jellings-Aye

Chase-Aye

DeFigueiredo-Aye

MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Randall presented to the Board of Trustees Resolution R-23-40 of the Governing Board of the Sulphur Springs Union School District Approving Assignment of Delinquent Tax Receivables to the California Statewide Delinquent Tax Finance Authority. The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve Resolution R-23-40 of the Governing Board of the Sulphur Springs Union School District Approving Assignment of Delinquent Tax Receivables to the California Statewide Delinquent Tax Finance Authority.

Action Calendar,

i-Ready Contract

Weinstein-Aye

Jellings-Aye

Chase-Aye

DeFigueiredo-Aye

MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Fullwood presented to the Board of Trustees the i-Ready Contract. Dr. Fullwood shared information about the i-Ready Assessment and Personalized Instruction Tool. The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Jellings and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the i-Ready Contract.

Action Calendar,

*Resolution R-23-37
Approval of Piggyback Bid:
State of California
Department of General
Services Procurement
Division for Fleet Vehicles -
Contract #1-22-23-20 A
through K*

Weinstein-Aye

Jellings-Aye

Chase-Aye

DeFigueiredo-Aye

MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Randall presented to the Board of Trustees Resolution R-23-37 Approval of Piggyback Bid: State of California Department of General Services Procurement Division for Fleet Vehicles - Contract #1-22-23-20 A through K. Dr. Randall shared that the District is in need of one to two new maintenance vehicles. The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mr. Chase and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve Resolution R-23-37 Approval of Piggyback Bid: State of California Department of General Services Procurement Division for Fleet Vehicles - Contract #1-22-23-20 A through K.

Action Calendar,

*Memorandum of
Understanding between
Sulphur Springs Union
School District and Sulphur
Springs District Teachers
Association Regarding
Learning Support Teachers
During the 2023-2024
School Year*

Weinstein-Aye

Jellings-Aye

Chase-Aye

DeFigueiredo-Aye

Dr. Randall presented to the Board of Trustees the Memorandum of Understanding between Sulphur Springs Union School District and Sulphur Springs District Teachers Association Regarding Learning Support Teachers During the 2023-2024 School Year. The Memorandum of Understanding is being updated for the 2023-2024 school year. The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. Jellings and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Sulphur Springs Union School District and Sulphur Springs District Teachers Association Regarding Learning Support Teachers During the 2023-2024 School Year.

MacDonald-Absent
Action Calendar,
Board Policy and
Administrative Regulation
5123
Promotion/Acceleration/
Retention
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Fullwood presented to the Board of Trustees the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5123 Promotion/Acceleration/Retention. The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Jellings and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5123 Promotion/Acceleration/Retention.

Action Calendar,
Board Policy and
Administrative Regulation
5117 Interdistrict
Attendance
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Randall presented to the Board of Trustees Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5117 Interdistrict Attendance. The Board Policy and Administrative Regulation aligns with updated legislation. The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5117 Interdistrict Attendance.

Action Calendar,
Approval of Amendment
No. 3 to the December 15,
2021 Employment
Contract for Dr. Jezelle
Fullwood
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Kawaguchi presented to the Board of Trustees the Approval of Amendment No. 3 to the December 15, 2021 Employment Contract for Dr. Jezelle Fullwood. The amendment to the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services' contract extends the term of the contract by one (1) year from June 30, 2026, to June 30, 2027. There are no other changes to the Assistant Superintendent's contract, including her salary and fringe benefits. The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 4-0 by a voice vote, to approve the Amendment No. 3 to the December 15, 2021 Employment Contract for Dr. Jezelle Fullwood.

Action Calendar,
Approval of Amendment
No. 1 to the January 18,
2023 Employment
Contract for Dr. Joshua
Randall
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Kawaguchi presented to the Board of Trustees Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the January 18, 2023 Employment Contract for Dr. Joshua Randall. The amendment to the Deputy Superintendent Business Services' contract extends the term of the contract by one (1) year from June 30, 2026, to June 30, 2027. There are no changes to the Deputy Superintendent's contract, including his salary and fringe benefits. The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 4-0 by a voice vote, to approve the Amendment No. 1 to the January 18, 2023 Employment Contract for Dr. Joshua Randall.

Action Calendar,
Approval of Amendment
No. 2 to the August 10,
2022 Employment
Contract for Dr. Jay
Greenlinger
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent

Dr. Kawaguchi presented to the Board of Trustees Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the August 10, 2022 Employment Contract for Dr. Jay Greenlinger. The amendment to the Assistant Superintendent of Personnel/Pupil Services' contract extends the term of the contract by two (2) years from June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2027. There are no other changes to the Assistant Superintendent's contract, including his salary and fringe benefits. The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 4-0 by a voice vote, to approve the Amendment No. 2 to the August 10, 2022 Employment Contract for Dr. Jay Greenlinger.

Action Calendar,
*Resolution R-23-41 Board
Member Shelley Weinstein,
Compensation
Weinstein-Abstain
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo and passed 3-0-1 by a voice vote, with Mrs. Weinstein abstaining to approve Resolution R-23-41 Board Member Shelley Weinstein, Compensation.

Action Calendar,
*Resolution R-23-42 Board
Member Paola Jellings,
Compensation
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Abstain
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mr. Chase and passed 3-0-1 by a voice vote, with Mrs. Jellings abstaining to approve Resolution R-23-42 Board Member Paola Jellings, Compensation.

Action Calendar,
*Business Services Report
#23-11
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to approve the Business Services Report #23-11.

**Correspondence and
Board Information**

Mr. DeFigueiredo shared that he appreciates teachers that know their students. He shared information about his grandson and he has a great appreciation for our teachers in the District who know our students. He shared that he appreciates that teachers recognize all students, from knowing who they play with on the playground, and their strengths in the classroom.

Mr. Chase wished Mrs. Jellings a Happy Birthday.

Mrs. Jellings had no comments.

Mrs. Weinstein shared that she appreciates everyone, and that she attended the Pinetree Community School Promotion Ceremony. She shared that all of the schools put together their promotion ceremonies so differently, and it is nice to experience them.

Mrs. Weinstein shared the Back-to-School Night Dates for 2023:

-August 29, 2023: Leona Cox, Pinetree, Valley View

-August 31, 2023: Canyon Springs, Fair Oaks Ranch, Golden Oak, Mint Canyon, Mitchell, Sulphur Springs

Mrs. Weinstein shared that Open House for 2024 will be on April 18, 2024 for all nine schools.

**Items for the July 19,
2023, Regular Meeting**

The Board of Trustees will be receiving a presentation from Willdan Financial Services, the District's CFD consultants, regarding CFD 2006-1, CFD 2014-1, and CFD 2019-1 property taxes.

Closed Session

*Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:06 PM for discussion regarding:

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Section 54956.9 (i.e., potential litigation).

- Potential Litigation:
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code sections 54954.5 (c) and 54956.9 (d)(1); 2 Cases:
OAH Case No. 2023040601 and OAH Case No. 2023050232

Reconvene to Open Session

*Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to reconvene to Open Session at 9:19 PM.

Report of Closed Session

The Board voted by a vote of 4-0 to accept the settlement offer of the student in the case named Student v. Sulphur Springs Union School District, OAH Case No. 2023040601. The District will pay a total of \$107,520 to settle this case.

Names of members in favor:
Mr. DeFigueiredo, Mrs. Jellings, Mr. Chase, Mrs. Weinstein

Reconvene to Closed Session,

*Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Absent*

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to reconvene to Closed Session at 9:21 PM.

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Section 54956.9 (i.e., potential litigation).

- Potential Litigation

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Section 54957 (i.e., Personnel).

- Personnel: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release: Government Code Section 54957

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Section 54957.8 (i.e., property negotiations).

- Property Negotiations:

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code:
Property: Proposed Skyline Ranch school site as identified by Tri Pointe, Developer

Agency negotiator: Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent; Yuri Calderon, MillerCalderon, Inc.; Michael Toy, Parker & Covert, LLP; Anthony J. Barron, Nixon Peabody LLP.
Negotiating parties: Skyline Ranch Developer, TriPointe
Under negotiation: Conditions, price and Terms of Payment

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Section 54957.6 (i.e., labor negotiations)

- Labor Negotiations

Adjournment

Weinstein-Aye

Jellings-Aye

Chase-Aye

DeFigueiredo-Aye

MacDonald-Absent

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 4-0 by voice vote to adjourn the Board Meeting at 10:47 PM.

July 19, 2023


Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, President


Mrs. Paola Jellings, Clerk