

**SULPHUR SPRINGS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

January 13, 2021

**MINUTES**

Meeting Location:

Zoom and Live Streamed  
for Public Access,  
<https://youtu.be/wlHvr5SBiUU>

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent  
Dr. Jezelle Fullwood, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
Dr. Josh Randall, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Ms. Marie Carrillo, District Executive Secretary

Due to the Executive Order from the Governor to stay home, the Board of Trustees met through Zoom at <https://youtu.be/wlHvr5SBiUU> as well as the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents. The meeting was Live Streamed to provide public communication.

**Call to Order,  
Roll Call**

Mr. Chase called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:02PM, and noted the roll.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mrs. Weinstein led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda,  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein- Aye**

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote to approve the Agenda.

**Approval of Minutes,  
December 16, 2020  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein- Aye**

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the Minutes of the December 16, 2020 Annual Organizational and Regular Meeting.

**Hearing,  
Requests to Address,  
Comments, Questions**

Mr. Chase announced that Trustees had received three requests to address the Board. Dr. Randall proceeded to read the letters. Concerned Sulphur Springs Union School District parents along with some Special Education District employees, addressed the Board of Trustees regarding the status of the TK-2 In-Person Education.

**Consent,  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein- Aye**

Mr. DeFigueiredo requested that item VIII.Q. Variable Term Waiver be moved from the Consent Calendar to the Action Calendar.

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve Consent Calendar, as follows:

- Conference Action Report #21-01
- Field Trip Action Report #21-01
- Gift Action Report #21-01
- Personnel Action Report #21-01
- Agreement for Consultant Services – BB Enterprises Inc – District Office
- Agreement for Consultant Services – Beth Sussman – District Office
- Agreement for Consultant Services – American Heart Association – State Preschool
- Agreement for Consultant Services – Joseph Peck – District Office
- Agreement for Consultant Services – The Chameleons -District Office
- Request for Approval of Service Agreement with SchoolWorks, Inc. to Provide a School Facilities Needs Analysis (Developer Fee Study – Level 2)
- Approve Construction Contract with AMG & Associates, Inc., for Sulphur Springs Union School District Project No. 20200301-PT, Construction of New 12-Classroom Building and Related Site Improvements
- Call for Special Board Meeting: January 19, 2021 – 7:00PM
- Brenda Sparks Consultant Agreement Renewal (through 12-30-20)
- Brenda Sparks Consultant Agreement Renewal (1-1-21)

**Conference,**  
*Attendance & Dashboard Update*

Dr. Fullwood and Dr. Randall presented the Board of Trustees with an update on District attendance and the California Dashboard.

**Conference,**  
*Williams Quarterly Report*

Dr. Randall presented the Williams Quarterly Report for October 1 to December 31, 2020, noting no complaints were received during this time period.

**Conference,**  
*Construction Update: SS Community School Project*

Dr. Kawaguchi and Mr. Dean Matthews, Director of Projects and Facilities, provided the Board of Trustees with an update on the 12-classroom wing project at Sulphur Springs Community School.

**Conference,**  
*Governor Newsom's 'Safe Schools for All' Plan, Update*

Dr. Kawaguchi provided the Board of Trustees an update on Governor Newsom's 'Safe Schools for All' Plan that was released on December 30, 2020.

**Agenda Order Change**

Mr. Chase changed the order of the agenda. Trustees took action on the following Consent Calendar item: VIII.Q.

**Action,**  
*Variable Term Waiver Meri Jane Vitiello Chase-Aye DeFigueiredo-Aye MacDonald- Aye Jellings-Aye Weinstein- Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the Variable Term Waiver for Meri Jane Vitiello.

**Action,**  
*MOU-Reopening of  
School  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein- Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the MOU-Reopening of School (Special Ed).

**Action,**  
*R-21-01: South Coast  
Air Quality  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein- Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve Resolution R-21-01: The Board of Trustees of the Sulphur Springs Union School District to Participate in the South Coast Air Quality Management District Lower-Emission School Bus Program.

**Action,**  
*Business Services  
Report #21-13  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein- Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the Business Services Report #21-13.

**Correspondence and  
Board Information**

Dr. Kawaguchi announced that the Many Families One Community event will be an all virtual program February 16-18, 2021.

Mrs. MacDonald welcomed everyone back from Winter Break. She mentioned that her school recently started back in session, and she noticed that the students seemed to have more confidence and are more comfortable with Distance Learning.

Mrs. Weinstein also welcomed everyone back. She reassured parents that our District's #1 priority is the safety of the children and staff. She also mentioned that her family was hit with COVID-19, and she is grateful that everyone is safe.

Mrs. Jellings said that she was bummed that Winter Break was over, and she is extremely grateful to the teachers for all they do.

Mr. DeFigueiredo echoed his colleagues' comments in regards to welcoming everyone back. He also acknowledged the challenges we are facing. Mr. DeFigueiredo mentioned the new Agenda Online software that the District is currently using. He said that it reads easier and it is a great tool for the public to follow our meetings better.

Mr. Chase also noted the new Agenda Online software. He thought it was more customized on detail. He also thanked his colleagues for trusting him and electing him as Board President. He noted that it is a great honor.

**Closed Session,**  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein- Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to adjourn to Closed Session at 8:19PM for discussion regarding:

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

**Reconvene to Open**  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings- Aye*  
*Weinstein- Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to reconvene the meeting at 8:26PM.

**Report of Closed Session,**

In Closed Session, the motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, the Board took unanimous action to approve the termination of a probationary certificated employee effective this date pursuant to Education Code section 44948.3. Employee No. DV533992.

**Reconvene to Closed Session,**  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein- Aye*

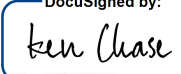
The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to adjourn to Closed Session at 8:29PM for discussion regarding:

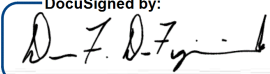
- Potential Litigation
- Labor Negotiations
- Property Negotiations
  - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code:  
Property: Proposed Skyline Ranch school site as identified by Pardee Homes, Developer  
Agency negotiator: Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent; Yuri Calderon, MillerCalderon, Inc.; Michael Toy, Parker & Covert, LLP.  
Negotiating parties: Skyline Ranch Developer Pardee Homes  
Under negotiation: Conditions, Price and Terms of Payment

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

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to adjourn the meeting at 10:38PM.

February 10, 2021

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Mr. Ken Chase, President

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Mr. DeFigueiredo, Clerk