

SULPHUR SPRINGS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

October 25, 2023

MINUTES

Meeting Location:

Fair Oaks Ranch Community School
19414 West Sierra Estates Drive
Newhall, CA 91321

STAFF PRESENT:

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

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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

Call to Order, Roll Call

Mrs. Weinstein called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:04 PM and noted the roll.

Pledge of Allegiance

Lilah Byrd, Fair Oaks Ranch Community School sixth-grade student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda,

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

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 by voice vote to approve the Agenda.

Approval of Special Minutes, October 10, 2023

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

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 by voice vote to approve the Minutes of the October 10, 2023, Special Board Meeting.

Approval of Regular Minutes, October 11, 2023

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

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 by voice vote to approve the Minutes of the October 11, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

Hearing Session, Site Presentation – Fair Oaks Ranch Community School

Ms. Julie McBride, Principal at Fair Oaks Ranch Community School, welcomed everyone and shared a presentation highlighting students, staff, and activities at Fair Oaks Ranch Community School.

The Board of Trustees and Ms. Julie McBride presented certificates of recognition to the following individuals:

- April Brewer - Certificated Employee
- Moira Nolasco - Certificated Employee
- Melissa Marcus - Certificated Employee
- Maxi Lou Bautista - Classified Employee

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

Mrs. Weinstein asked if any advanced requests to address the Board had been received. There was one advanced request 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-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 by voice vote to approve the Consent Calendar, as follows:

- Conference Action Report #23-18
- Field Trip Action Report #23-18
- Gift Action Report #23-18
- Personnel Action Report #23-18
- Flewelling & Moody Project #3068 Valley View Community School Architectural Proposal
- Approval of Proposal from Impact Sciences to Conduct and Oversee Engagement with State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), Schools Division to Develop a Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) Workplan and Public Participation Plan for the Skyline School Site
- Consultant Agreement - 3screens.com - Mint Canyon Community School
- Consultant Agreement - Carlos Lopez - Canyon Springs State Preschool, Leona Cox State Preschool, and Mint Canyon State Preschool
- Consider approval of correction of typographical error on Change Order number 5, 6, and 7 to Construction Agreement with AMG & Associates, Inc. for Project No. 2021-01-PT

Action Calendar,
*Goalbook Toolkit
Invoice for 2023-24
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Aye*

Mr. Paul Frisina, Executive Director of Special Education and Student Support Services, presented to the Board of Trustees, information about Goalbook Toolkit.

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a voice vote, to approve the invoice reflecting the cost of providing 50 user licenses for one year for the Goalbook Toolkit.

Action Calendar,
*SELPA Community
Advisory Committee
Member Appointments
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Aye*

Mr. Paul Frisina presented the SELPA Community Advisory Committee Member Appointments to the Board of Trustees.

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 by a voice vote, to approve the SELPA Community Advisory Committee Member Appointments.

Action Calendar,
*Inclusive Primary
Playground- Mint
Canyon Community
School
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Aye*

Dr. Kawaguchi presented information regarding the new inclusive transitional kindergarten/kindergarten playground for Mint Canyon Community School students to the Board of Trustees.

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 5-0 by a voice vote, to approve the Inclusive Primary Playground- Mint Canyon Community School, Sun Country Playgrounds, INC., price proposal and scope of work as presented.

Action Calendar,
Memorandum of Understanding Between Sulphur Springs Union School District and CBD College
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Aye

Dr. Jay Greenlinger, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel/Pupil Services presented to the Board of Trustees the Memorandum of Understanding between the Sulphur Springs Union School District and CBD College concerns the placement of a Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant student.

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 by a voice vote, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between Sulphur Springs Union School District and CBD College.

Action Calendar,
Provisional Internship Permit for Kiara Gunn
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Aye

Dr. Greenlinger presented to the Board of Trustees a Provisional Internship Permit for Kiara Gunn, who will be assigned to the fourth-grade teacher vacancy at Leona Cox Community School.

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 5-0 by a voice vote, to approve the Provisional Internship Permit for Kiara Gunn.

Action Calendar,
Resolution R-23-58 Board Member Denis DeFigueiredo, Compensation
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Abstain
MacDonald-Aye

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 4-0-1 by voice vote with one abstention to approve the Resolution R-23-58 Board Member Denis DeFigueiredo, Compensation.

Action Calendar,
Resolution R-23-59 Board Member Lori MacDonald, Compensation
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Abstain

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 4-0-1 by voice vote with one abstention to approve the Resolution R-23-59 Board Member Lori MacDonald, Compensation.

Action Calendar,
Business Services Report #23-18
Weinstein-Aye
Jellings-Aye
Chase-Aye
DeFigueiredo-Aye
MacDonald-Aye

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by voice vote to approve the Business Services Report #23-18.

Correspondence and Board Information

Dr. Kawaguchi shared a presentation of the Pinetree Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new 12-classroom wing, Student Support Center, modernization of the former school office to 2 new primary classrooms and a teacher workroom, and 2 inclusive playgrounds. She shared photos of the well-attended ceremony. It was a wonderful event all together culminating the construction project that began in 2018 and completed in 2023.

Mrs. MacDonald shared that she missed the last meeting because she was preparing her home for her son's wedding and it was amazing.

Mr. DeFigueiredo shared that the presentation of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony increased his regrets for not being able to make it to the event. He shared that he missed the last Board meeting because he was in Boston with his family. He shared that he got to go to his grandchildren's school, and while he might be bias, he thinks the Sulphur Springs Union School District is doing it better here in the Santa Clarita Valley than how they are in Massachusetts. He is glad to see that his son and daughter are very involved with their children's schools.

Mr. Chase shared that he attended the CLASS Education Foundation Everyday Heroes Annual Fundraiser at College of the Canyons, Canyon Country Campus. He shared that Dr. Fullwood has great "MC" skills, and she did a wonderful job hosting. He shared that the team did a fantastic job, and he thanked the CLASS Education Foundation. He gave a shout out to Ms. Kathleen Kinney, the District Choir teacher. He was impressed with her skills to get the choir students on task and singing scales. She then led them in a wonderful performance. It was a great event that raised money, and grants were given out. He shared that he also attended the Pinetree Ribbon Cutting ceremony, and he had a fantastic experience talking to our Mayor, taking a tour of the new building, and visiting the upper grade classrooms.

Mrs. Jellings shared that she graduated from Pinetree Community School so it felt very special for her to attend the Ribbon Cutting ceremony. She shared that it was a brand-new school, and that her niece performed the song "Grit," in Ms. Passerelle's 2nd grade class. She shared that the Pinetree student council was great, and the choir was amazing, they sounded angelic.

Mrs. Weinstein shared that she attended the CLASS Education Foundation Everyday Heroes Annual Fundraiser event as well, and it was great. The event was well put together, like clockwork, well attended, and that it was the best venue at the Canyon Country Campus. People who attended had a great time. She is very proud of the CLASS Education Foundation event and the Pinetree Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Thank you to Dr. Kawaguchi and the team who put it all together.

**Items For The
November 8, 2023
Meeting At Leona
Cox Community
School**

Cooperative Strategies will be presenting information regarding the District's Demographic Report.

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

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald and passed 5-0 by voice vote to adjourn to Closed Session at 8:11 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 section 54956.9(d)(1))
Case Numbers: 23CHCV01229, 23CHCV00744, 23CHCV02541

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-Aye

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 by voice vote to adjourn the Board Meeting at 11:15 PM.

November 8, 2023



Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, President



Mrs. Paola Jellings, Clerk