



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 11.1j

**Meeting Date:** December 21, 2019

**Subject:** Approve Minutes of the November 21, 2019, Board of Education Meeting

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Superintendent's Office

**Recommendation:** Approve Minutes of the November 21, 2019, Board of Education Meeting.

**Background/Rationale:** None

**Financial Considerations:** None

**LCAP Goal(s):** Family and Community Empowerment

**Documents Attached:**

1. Minutes of the November 21, 2019, Board of Education Regular Meeting

<p><b>Submitted by:</b> Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent <b>Approved by:</b> N/A</p>
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# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

**Thursday, November 21, 2019**

**4:30 p.m. Closed Session**

**6:00 p.m. Open Session**

**Board of Education Members**

*Jessie Ryan, President (Trustee Area 7)*

*Darrel Woo, Vice President (Trustee Area 6)*

*Michael Minnick, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Trustee Area 4)*

*Lisa Murawski (Trustee Area 1)*

*Leticia Garcia (Trustee Area 2)*

*Christina Pritchett (Trustee Area 3)*

*Mai Vang (Trustee Area 5)*

*Olivia Ang-Olson, Student Member*

**Serna Center**

*Community Conference Rooms*

*5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue*

*Sacramento, CA 95824*

## ***MINUTES***

***2019/20-10***

***1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL***

*The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Ryan, and roll was taken.*

- 3.1 *Government Code 54956.9 - Conference with Legal Counsel:*
  - a) *Existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code section 54956.9 (Black Parallel School Board, et al. v. SCUSD, et al., Case No. 2:19-cv-01768-TLN-KJN, OAH Case No. 2019080715, OAH Case No. 2019060569, and SCTA v. SCUSD, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2019-80003106)*
  - b) *Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9 (One Potential Case)*
  - c) *Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(4) of Government Code section 54956.9 (One Potential Case)*
  
- 3.2 *Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining CSA, SCTA Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA, SEIU, TCS, Teamsters, UPE, Non-Represented/Confidential Management (District Representative Cancy McArn)*
  
- 3.3 *Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment*
  
- 3.4 *Education Code 35146 – The Board will hear staff recommendations on the following student expulsion(s):*
  - a) *Expulsion #1, 2019-20*
  - b) *Expulsion #2, 2019-20*
  - c) *Expulsion #3, 2019-20*

**4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- 4.1 *The Pledge of Allegiance*
  
- 4.2 *Broadcast Statement (Student Member Ang-Olson)*
  
- 4.3 *Stellar Student Recognition: Native Youth of Sacramento*
  - *Presentation of Certificate by President Ryan*

**5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

*Counsel Jerry Behrens announced that, by a vote of 6-0 with Board Member Murawski absent, the Board approved the following Special Education settlement matters: OAH Case No. 2019080715 and OAH Case No. 2019060569.*

**6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION**

*President Ryan asked for a motion to adopt the agenda in memory of Patrick Green. A motion was made by Member Murawski and seconded by Second Vice President Minnick. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.*

*Public Comment:  
Nikki Milevsky*

**7.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

*7.1 Approve Resolution No. 3111: Recognition of National Native American Heritage Month, November 2019 (Christina P. C. Narvaez) 5 minutes*

*Christina P. C. Narvaez, Youth Services Program Associate, presented. President Ryan read the resolution, and then a motion was made by Member Pritchett to approve. Vice President Woo seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Framed resolutions were presented to Susan Morla*



*President Ryan noted that we have also increased the FAFSA completion rates in the last two years from 47 to 69 percent.*

*Member Garcia said it was powerful to hear about the great things going on at Hiram Johnson High School and about the college students returning to their high schools to mentor. She also noted how difficult the college application process can be when there is no one to help an individual. She also spoke about FAFSA and noted that \$500 million dollars in aid and grant support is not being utilized; she spoke about how the FAFSA is a gateway to grants and scholarships for higher income students and that she wants to make sure we are opening this door for every single student. She asked about exploring the possibility of changing Board policy in terms of graduation requirements to include completion of the FAFSA as a requirement. Mr. Harris answered that staff had a conversation with the Board Policy Committee this week. Member Vang gave the specifics on the outcome of that meeting and noted that an update will be ready to present in February. Superintendent Aguilar provided further details and information on research that has been completed so far on this matter. Member Garcia said she is glad to hear there will be a much larger conversation about this proposal, as it brings uniform access to all students across the District.*

*Member Pritchett said she appreciates the work that is being done and congratulated the team on the high percentage of students that are now completing the FAFSA. She requested that during college application workshops there be a table with someone from the building trades.*

*Member Murawski thanked the presenters and asked for interpretation on some of the slides. Ms. Espinosa gave further explanation.*

*Vice President Woo asked where the Black College Expo will be held. Ms. Espinosa said it will be held at Sacramento State on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. She also said that the Historically Black Colleges and Universities College Fair is held in early September, and as of last year Sacramento State and the consortium has hosted both.*

*President Ryan thanked Ms. Espinosa for her work. She spoke about the importance of the data sharing memo of understanding and said that, in addition to an increase in enrollment at the Los Rios Community College District, she thinks an increase in direct placement into transfer level Math and English is a result of AB 705. She relayed from President Nelsen at Sacramento State that the District is sending them prepared students. President Ryan suggested, regarding the college eligibility packets, that, if they are not being mailed directly, we include some sort of promise or pathways form that families sign to acknowledge receipt. She also suggested that a cost of college calculator be included in the tools being developed and on the website.*

*Superintendent Aguilar said that as the presentation generated a lot of interest in the FAFSA, we can come back at a future date to talk about it.*



*to students and families. Ms. Narvaez said that there are several different methods, recruiting, the form is available at all their big events year round, and information is mailed out once per year. They also e-mail, have information on the website, and there is a phone bank. Member Garcia asked how students are targeted. Ms. Narvaez said that her department is given each student that has checked American Indian when registering. Member Garcia asked how it is determined what services will be provided. Ms. Narvaez said that cultural offerings are determined by the community, while grant fund spending includes input from the parent committee to determine what the objectives will be. However, tutoring has always been a main stay for the program.*

*President Ryan acknowledged the students and families in the program and spoke about how history, culture, and inclusion is so critical. She thanked Ms. Narvaez for her work in the District.*

*9.3 Approve Resolution No. 3113: Resolution of the Board of Education on the Sacramento City Unified School District Ordering a School Bond Election, and Authorizing Necessary Actions in Connection Therewith (Nathaniel Browning and Anna Javed)*

*Nathaniel Browning, Policy and Governance Manager, explained that staff will present an opportunity to bring additional resources into the District to modernize learning spaces that will enhance teaching and learning, increase campus safety and security, and improve curb appeal in our aging facilities. He further explained that the resolution is to place a \$750 million dollar general obligation bond on the March 2020 ballot. He introduced Anna Javed, GIS/Facilities Manager, Cathy Dominico of Capitol Public Finance Group, Eugene Clark-Herrera of Orrick, Herrington, and Sutcliffe, and Mark Covington of DLR Group. They explained that the District is reaching the end of the Measures Q and R bond programs, and they went over the facilities master plan, polling, a bond financial summary, proposed ballot language, bond project list components, and next steps.*

*Public Comment:*

*Kevin Ferreira*

*Gary Peifer*

*Board Member Comments:*

*Before taking Board comments, President Ryan asked for an amendment to the proposal. She stated that the California Education Code requires the establishment of a Bond Oversight Committee to consist of seven active members, and five of the members must be as follows: one from the business community, one from a senior citizens community or related to a senior citizens organization, one which represents a tax payer organization, one who is a parent or guardian of a child within the District, and one PTO representative who is a parent within the District. President Ryan asked that the two remaining spots be filled with: someone who is active in a*



*community based organization and someone who serves as a representative from labor.*

*Second Vice President Minnick commented that he appreciated that the presenters specifically mentioned the importance of equity amongst sites, and he read the language pertaining to this from the contract.*

*Member Garcia said she is excited to support this bond. She asked for an amendment to the bond language to set aside one percent of the \$750 million dollars, or \$7.5 million, for preschool education with the goal of increasing access to preschool education in the District by increasing capacity, to include modernizing existing preschool facilities and classrooms and building new preschool classrooms and facilities. Also, she wants to make sure we are consistent with our equity lense.*

*President Ryan said she is supportive of this important addition, both through an equity lense, an ability to grow enrollment, and to meet the needs of our student population across the District.*

*Member Pritchett said she also supports this through the Inrol equity dsEiabili-2(t)-4(l4u1(ol). A)I( n .i,xc Twn[(, f)-2(or2(o m)4(at)-2(i)-22(, and t)-c),b1(i)-5.9(n1(ol). A*

*alternative transportation infrastructure, and as she had requested that be added, she was happy to see it included. However, she said that there is one other thing she thinks is missing, safe and accessible drinking water projects. President Ryan asked Mr. Browning to speak about the ability to install hydration stations. Mr. Browning said that this is on the project list. Member Murawski then asked about ballot wording. She asked if it is possible to further emphasize that there are annual audits by a citizens oversight committee. Mr. Clark-Herrera answered that this is included as the last line of the 75 word summary. Member Murawski asked if there is any way to expand on that. Mr. Clark-Herrera responded to all of the Board's feedback by saying that there is data supporting this particular formulation of the language, and from his experience it is better not to amend the language. He advised to keep the language as is and recommended, if the Board approves this resolution, to emphasize additional information in other communications, for example, the existing practices, audits, and oversights connected with Measures R and Q in order to demonstrate past management. Member Murawski asked if the word Arts could be added. Mr. Browning said that it can be added in a second line behind Science.*

*Member Vang said she is also excited to be supporting this bond. She asked what question was asked that determined that 60 percent of those polled are in support of the bond. Ms. Dominico answered that it was pretty similar to the ultimate ballot language: "in order to upgrade, repair, construct and equip science labs, career training centers and school facilities that support college and career readiness in Science, Math, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Skilled Trades, keep instructional technology up to date, and improve student safety and campus security, shall the Sacramento City Unified School District measure, authorizing \$750 million dollars in bonds at legal rates be adopted, levying five cents per \$100 assessed value, \$38 million annually, while bonds are outstanding with citizens' oversight and all money locally controlled." Member Vang asked if, when polling, did they pull voter attitudes toward the District, given our financial situation. Ms. Dominico replied that no, it did not specifically call out the District's financial situation as a lead-in question, but it did go through some key positive and negative messages throughout, and some of the negative message did contain specific questions about the District's financial situation. Essentially, the District's budget did not drastically impact how people viewed the measure. Member Vang said that she feels it is important to mention, regarding if it is an annual oversight or independent citizen oversight, that it will be an independent citizen oversight. She also said she supports the amendment to make sure that there is a CBO representative and labor representative on the oversight committee along with Member Garcia's request that one percent be earmarked for preschool facilities. She asked all labor partners and parents for their help in getting this passed.*

*Second Vice President Minnick stated that he is concerned about Member Garcia's carve out for preschool because he wants to make this the least restrictive to the Board and to staff as possible. He noted that it seems as*



*under the air quality monitors. He added that the vaping detectors could not be purchased as a stand-alone item, but if we were to retrofit a restroom it could be installed. This is because the monitors do not have a useful life that is long enough to purchase with a 25 year bond.*

*President Ryan asked to confirm that, while it is recommended that the Board develop a companion policy, the Board is able to add her recommendation to the oversight committee, the provision pertaining to preschool (recognizing that how that unfolds beyond the language shared can be determined in the companion resolution that will be put forward in the coming weeks), and the word Arts to the proposed ballot language tonight. She also noted that there is not one place where we say “students”.*

*Member Pritchett moved to take the item from Conference to Action with the proposed changes. Vice President Woo seconded. Ms. Dominico stated that only one word can be added, either “Arts” or “students”. Member Garcia suggested changing “update older schools” by eliminating the word “older”. Mr. Clark-Herrera asked for the amendments in writing, and President Ryan said she will provide that. The motion was unanimously approved with the changes. Member Pritchett then moved that the resolution be approved with the changes made. Vice President Woo seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.*

- 9.4 *Approve the Submission of Credential Waiver Applications to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (Cancy McArn)* **Conference/Action**

*Cancy McArn, Chief Human Resources Officer, and Tami Mora, Credential Auditor, presented. Ms. Mora went over the need for the waiver applications and the requirements and processing of the waivers.*

*Public Comment:  
None*

*Board Member Comments:*

*Second Vice President Minnick motioned that the Item be moved from Conference to Action. Member Murawski seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved with President Ryan absent from the dais. Member Murawski then motioned that the Item be approved. Member Murawski seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved with President Ryan absent from the dais.*

## **10.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

***Generally routine items are approved by one motion without discussion. The Superintendent or a Board member may request an item be pulled from the consent agenda and voted upon separately.***

### **10.1 Items Subject or Not Subject to Closed Session:**

***10.1a Approve Grants, Entitlements and Other Income Agreements, Ratification of Other Agreements, Approval of Bid Awards,***

*Approval of Declared Surplus Materials and Equipment, Change Notices and Notices of Completion (Rose F. Ramos)*

