



San Juan Unified School District

Board of Education

3738 Walnut Avenue, Carmichael, California 95608

**Board of Education Minutes
June 22, 2021**

Regular Meeting

Board of Education

5:00 p.m.

Open Session/Call to Order/Announcement of Closed Session Topics (A)

The June 22 regular meeting was called to order by the president, Paula Villescaz. The board meeting was held in person and also livestreamed on the district's YouTube channel.

Roll Call

Present:

Paula Villescaz, president

Michael McKibbin, Ed.D., vice president

Zima Creason, clerk

Pam Costa, member

Saul Hernandez, member

Visitor Comments: Closed Session (A-1)

There were no closed session visitor comments.

Closed Session (B)

The meeting was then recessed with the board convening in closed session to consider an expulsion in one case (Education Code section 48918[f]); to conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1) – two cases – Name of Case: Magali Kincaid, Benito Juarez Neighborhood Association, Neighborhood Elections Now, Juan Yniguez, Carolina Flores, Damaris Canton v. San Juan Unified School District, Complaint for Violation of the California Voting Rights Act and in the Alternative, For Violation of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and the California Constitution, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-00286475 and Name of Case: Carolina Flores, Neighborhood Elections Now, Petitioners, vs. San Juan Unified School District, Paula Villescaz, in her official capacity of Board President, Respondents, Verified Petition for Writ of Mandate Pursuant to the First Amendment, the California Constitution, California Public Records Act, and the Ralph M. Brown Act; and Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2021-80003644-CU-WM-GDS; to discuss with negotiator Jim Shoemaker, Assistant Superintendent of Schools and Labor Relations, regarding CSEA Chapter 127 General/Operations support, Chauffeurs/Teamsters Local No. 150 Transportation, Supervisors, Teachers and Certificated Supervisory units and regarding non-represented groups: management and confidential units (Government Code section 54957.6); and to discuss two personnel matters (Government Code section 54957) – Public Employee Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance (Government Code section 54957(b)(1)) Title: Certificated employee and superintendent's evaluation.

Reconvene Open Session/Pledge of Allegiance (C)

At 6:30 p.m. the meeting was called back to order by the president Paula Villescaz. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Ms. Villescaz explained the two methods (in person or electronically) available to submit public comment for tonight's meeting.

Minutes Approved (D)

It was moved by Ms. Costa, seconded by Dr. McKibbin, that the minutes of the June 8 regular meeting be approved. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

Recognition (E-1)

It was moved by Dr. McKibbin, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, to adopt Resolution No. A-406 recognizing Deputy Superintendent Kent Stephens. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

Staff Reports (E-2)

Deputy Superintendent of Schools and Student Support Melissa Bassanelli provided an update regarding the district's summer school offerings.

Board-appointed/District Committees (E-3)

Timothy Slape, chair of the Bond Oversight Committee, provided an annual update on the work of the committee.

Tom Nelson, chair of the Local Control and Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Committee (LCAP PAC), thanked the people who have contributed to the work of the LCAP PAC committee this school year.

Employee Organizations (E-4)

SJTA President Bill Simmons thanked the board and district for the collaborative efforts to provide the best education possible for San Juan students.

Closed Session/Expulsion Actions (E-6)

Ms. Creason reported that the board voted unanimously to accept a hearing panel's recommendation of one suspended expulsion in case number S-04; also, the board has completed its evaluation of Superintendent Kern for the 2020-2021 school year, and the board voted unanimously to give him a positive evaluation, and based on the positive evaluation, Superintendent Kern will receive the benefit identified in his employment contract.

Visitor Comments (F)

[in person]

Maria Grijalva requested the continuation of hybrid board meetings and she expressed support for a seven-district board.

Marina Gabel said she supports a seven-member board and she spoke about recall efforts that are underway.

Juan Yniguez thanked Kent Stephens for his work and he expressed support for continued Zoom access at board meetings.

Katie Reid made comments and expressed support for offering in-person classes and services.

Magali Kincaid spoke about the need to reinstate Zoom as an option for board meetings.

[via electronic comment form, and read aloud by Senior Director of Community Relations Trent Allen]

Amber B. commented on the administration at Rio Americano High School.

Consent Calendar Approved (G-1/G-15)

It was moved by Ms. Creason, seconded by Ms. Costa, that the consent calendar items G-1 through G-15 be approved. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

Personnel (G-1)

Appointments, leaves of absence, separations, reassignments/change in work year, job description/salary range change and cabinet contracts/extension of contract – approved as submitted.

Purchasing Report (G-2)

Purchase orders and service agreements, change orders and construction and public works bids – approved as submitted.

Business/Financial Report (G-3)

Warrants and payroll – approved as submitted.

Gifts (G-4)

Acceptance of gifts to Camp Winthers.

Disposal of Surplus Property (G-5)

Approval to dispose of surplus property pursuant to board policy 3270 and Education Code sections 17545 and 17546.

2020-2021 Actuarial Report (OPEB) (G-6)

Approval of 2020-2021 Actuarial Report (OPEB – other post-employment benefits).

2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Aspire Alexander Twilight Secondary Academy and Aspire Alexander Twilight College Prep Academy (G-7)

Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Aspire Alexander Twilight Secondary Academy and Aspire Alexander Twilight College Prep Academy.

2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for California Montessori Project (G-8)

Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for California Montessori Project.

2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Gateway International School (G-9)

Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Gateway International School.

2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Golden Valley Orchard Charter and Golden Valley River Charter (G-10)

Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Golden Valley Orchard Charter and Golden Valley River Charter.

2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Options For Youth (G-11)

Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Options For Youth.

2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Visions In Education (G-12)

Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Annual Independent Financial Audit Report for Visions In Education.

Grant: Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant 2021-2022 (G-13)

Approval to implement the following grant, if funded: Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant 2021-2022.

California State Preschool Programs (CSPP) and Children's Center (CCTR) Contracts and Resolutions (G-14)

Approval of the California State Preschool Programs (CSPP) and Children's Center (CCTR) contracts and adoption of Resolution No. 3060 (CSPP-1409) and Resolution No. 3061 (CCTR-1195) for fiscal year 2021-2022.

Resolution No. 3062: Del Campo High School Design-Build Agreement Amendment No. 5 (G-15)

Adoption of Resolution No. 3062, approving the fifth amendment to the design-build agreement for the Del Campo High School new science/media commons building project no. 207-9512-N1 and CTE modernization project nos. 207-9495-N1, 207-9495-N2 and 207-9495-N3 between San Juan Unified School District and XL Construction Corporation.

Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) (I-1)

Deputy Superintendent of Schools and Student Support Melissa Bassanelli and Director of Continuous Improvement and LCAP Gianfranco Tornatore gave a presentation that provided additional background information regarding the development of the LCAP including the co-planning that took place for LCAP PAC meetings, the process to recruit LCAP PAC members and community outreach. Board members made comments and posed questions, which staff addressed. It was moved by Ms. Costa, seconded by Dr. McKibbin, that the revisions to the 2021-2024 LCAP be approved. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

Choices Charter School Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) (I-2)

Director of Admissions and Family Services Michele Flagler introduced Director of Choices Charter School Tony Oddo who presented the Choices Charter School LCAP for action. It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Ms. Costa, that the revisions to the Choices Charter School 2021-2024 LCAP be approved. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

California Voting Rights Act Update (I-3)

General Counsel Linda Simlick presented a revised timeline for the restart of the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) transition process, which will begin on July 1, 2021, in alignment with the provisions of Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-08-21. Superintendent Kern offered additional details regarding the planned community forums.

Public Comments: [in person]

Katie Reid stated that the San Juan Parents Association supports the transition to by-trustee areas and increasing the board to seven members.

After public comment, board members made comments and posed questions, which staff answered. Mr. Hernandez asked how people will learn about the input gathered at the community forums, which Superintendent Kern shared an online posting is being considered. Ms. Creason encouraged broad and timely advertising of the community forums. Ms. Costa inquired about the start time for the meetings, which Superintendent Kern stated would be 6:30 p.m. Dr. McKibbin expressed the need for outreach to non-student households. Ms. Villescaz noted that this will be a significant shift in governance and she encouraged widespread communication about the process.

Adoption of the 2021-2022 Budget (I-4)

Deputy Superintendent Kent Stephens presented the item for action and thanked the fiscal services team for its work. It was moved by Ms. Creason, seconded by Dr. McKibbin, to adopt the proposed 2021-2022 budget, including the Education Protection Account (EPA) spending plans for the district and Choices Charter School, the excess reserves in the ending fund balance and the district staffing standards, and approve the revisions to the 2020-2021 budget. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

Accountability Dashboard: Local Indicators (I-5)

Senior Director of Secondary Schools and Programs Kristan Schnepf presented the item and introduced Director of Assessment, Evaluation and Planning Susan Green who gave a presentation on the measurement of progress for the six local indicators related to the state accountability dashboard.

Choices Charter School Accountability Dashboard: Local Indicators (I-6)

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COVID-19 Update (I-7)

Superintendent Kern provided an update on the latest conditions related to the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts on the district, which included information on workplace and school site mask guidance.

Public Comment: [via electronic comment form, and read aloud by Senior Director of Community Relations Trent Allen]

Robert Nelson expressed support for students not having to wear masks.

Tentative Agreement: San Juan Teachers Association (I-8)

Assistant Superintendent of Schools and Labor Relations Jim Shoemake presented the item and stated that the one-time, off-schedule payment will not increase employees' base compensation. There being no public comments, it was moved by Ms. Costa, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, that the tentative agreement between the San Juan Teachers Association (SJTA) and San Juan Unified School District (SJUSD) be approved. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

Salary Schedule Adjustments and One-Time, Off-Schedule Payment: SJAA, Cabinet, Confidential, Unrepresented (I-9)

Mr. Shoemake presented the item and stated that the one-time, off-schedule payment will not increase employees' base compensation. There being no public comments, it was moved by Dr. McKibbin, seconded by Ms. Creason, that the salary schedule adjustments and one-time, off-schedule payment for San Juan Administrators Association (SJAA), Cabinet, Confidential Group and Unrepresented Specialists be approved. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez].

Tentative Agreement: San Juan Professional Educators Coalition (I-10)

Mr. Shoemake presented the tentative agreement with the San Juan Professional Educators Coalition for discussion. There being no questions or comments from the board, action was scheduled for July 1.

Tentative Agreement: Teamsters Union Local No. 150 (I-11)

Mr. Shoemake presented the tentative agreement with the Teamsters Union Local No. 150 for discussion. There being no questions or comments from the board, action was scheduled for July 1.

Tentative Agreement: San Juan Supervisors Association (I-12)

Mr. Shoemake presented the tentative agreement with the San Juan Supervisors Association for discussion. There being no questions or comments from the board, action was scheduled for July 1.

Board Reports (J)

Dr. McKibbin reported that he attended the Kids Helping Kids event that recently took place at Target.

Future Agenda (K)

There were no items added to the future agenda.

Visitor Comments (L)

There were no visitor comments.

Adjournment (M)

At 8:19 p.m., there being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned.



Paula Villescaz, President



Kent Kern, Executive Secretary

Approved: 07/01/2021

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