

#### San Juan Unified School District

Board of Education 3738 Walnut Avenue, Carmichael, California 95608

# Board of Education Minutes October 25, 2022

## **Regular Meeting**

Board of Education 6:00 p.m.

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

The October 25 regular meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. Michael McKibbin. The board meeting was held in person and was also streamed to the district's YouTube channel.

#### Roll Call

Present:
Michael McKibbin, Ed.D., president
Zima Creason, vice president
Pam Costa, clerk
Paula Villescaz, member
Absent:
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 a student expulsion in one case (Education Code section 48918[f]).

## Reconvene Open Session/Pledge of Allegiance (C)

At 6:30 p.m., the meeting was called back to order by the president, Dr. Michael McKibbin. Four members of the Del Campo High School Air Force Jr. ROTC led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **Minutes Approved (D)**

It was moved by Ms. Costa, seconded by Ms. Creason, that the minutes of the October 11 regular meeting be approved. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; ABSENT: Hernandez].

# Recognition: School Psychology Awareness Week (E-1a)

It was moved by Ms. Creason, seconded by Ms. Villescaz, to adopt Resolution No. A-418 proclaiming the week of November 7-11 as School Psychology Awareness Week. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; ABSENT: Hernandez].

#### **High School Student Council Reports (E-2)**

High School Student Council representatives Mel Somvang and Justin Orozco Ramirez from Encina Preparatory High School and Emma Pham Tran from Mira Loma High School updated the board on the goals, activities and achievements at their respective schools.

# Closed Session/Expulsion Actions (E-7)

Ms. Costa reported that the board voted 4-0 to accept a hearing panel's recommendation of one expulsion in case number S-7.

#### **Visitor Comments (F)**

Hal Goldfarb, on behalf of advocates for the Arden-Arcade area, expressed concerns regarding the Creekside project.

Abigail Palmquist spoke about expanding the district's dual enrollment policy.

Michael Seaman made comments regarding the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Creekside project.

Tom Nelson requested that the draft EIR comment period be extended for the Creekside project.

## Consent Calendar Approved (G-1/G-8)

It was moved by Ms. Creason, seconded by Ms. Costa, that the consent calendar items G-1 through G-8 be approved. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; Absent: Hernandez].

#### Personnel (G-1)

Appointments, separations, 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, construction and public works bids, piggyback contracts, zero-dollar contracts and bids/RFPs – approved as submitted.

## **Business/Financial Report (G-3)**

Warrants and payroll – approved as submitted.

#### Gifts (G-4)

Acceptance of gift to Encina Preparatory High School.

# Disposal of Surplus Property (G-5)

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

#### Governance Handbook (G-6)

Approval of proposed revisions to the Governance Handbook. (Discussed: 10/11/2022).

## New Board Bylaws and Revisions to Existing Board Bylaws (G-7)

Approval of the addition of new Board Bylaws 9100 Organization and 9224 Oath or Affirmation and approval of revisions to the following existing Board Bylaws: 9000 Role of the Board, 9005 Governance Standards, 9011 Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information, 9012 Board Member Electronic Communications, 9110 Terms of Office, 9121 President, 9122 Secretary, 9123 Clerk, 9124 Attorney, 9130 Board Meetings, 9140 Board Representatives, 9200 Limits of Board Member Authority, 9220 Governing Board Elections, 9222 Resignation, 9223 Filling Vacancies, 9230 Orientation, 9240 Board Training, 9250 Remuneration Reimbursement and Other Benefits, 9260 Legal Protection, 9310 Board Policies, 9321 Closed Session, 9322 Agenda Materials, 9323.2 Actions By the Board, 9324 Meetings and Records, and 9400 Board Self-Evaluation. (Discussed: 10/11/2022).

#### Revisions to Board Policy Titles and Deletion of Obsolete Board Policies (G-8)

Approval to adopt the recommended California School Boards Association (CSBA) policy titles for 81 identified board policies and approval to rescind/delete obsolete Board Policy 6162.52 High School Exit Examination and the following unnecessary Board Bylaws: 9312 Board Bylaws, 9313 Administrative Regulations, 9314 Suspension of Policies, Bylaws, Administrative Regulations and 9323.1 Order of Business.

# Amending District Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2023 (I-1)

Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education and Programs Kristan Schnepp gave a presentation regarding amending the district's graduation requirements for the Class of 2023. Ms. Schnepp provided historical context, noting that in 2016 the board approved increasing graduation requirements starting with the Class of 2023, which included additional courses in mathematics, science, and world language; however, with school closures occurring due to COVID-19, the disruption to students' education has impacted many of the current seniors and there is no state legislation to support the Class of 2023. Ms. Schnepp said that staff reviewed current data for seniors and gathered input from staff, students, and the community, and ultimately determined that there was a significant need to reduce the number of credits needed to graduate. Ms. Schnepp explained that the recommendation to amend the graduation requirements for the Class of 2023 would include the state minimum of 130 credits with a fourth year of English as an additional requirement. Board members made comments and

posed questions related to the recommendation, noting the need for communication about the requirements no longer aligning to the a-g requirements, and board members also expressed concerns regarding the Class of 2024. Action was scheduled for November 15.

# Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements (I-2)

Ms. Schnepp explained that the proposed revisions to Board Policy 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements cleans up previous language, reflects the newly proposed graduation requirements and eliminates the additional graduation requirements for Casa Roble Fundamental High School. Action was scheduled for November 15.

#### 2021-2022 End of Year Data Summary (I-3)

Deputy Superintendent of Schools and Student Support Melissa Bassanelli introduced Director of LCAP and Continuous Improvement Gian Tornatore and Assistant Director of Assessment, Evaluation and Planning Chris Smith who gave a presentation on the 2021-2022 end of year data summary, including the results of the 2022 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) tests. Dr. Tornatore reviewed the CAASPP testing timeline and he also provided background information to situate the data in context, noting the impact of COVID-19 case rates, staff and student absences and state-run system outages. Dr. Tornatore also presented information about the CAASPP participation rates by district, school type and student group, and he shared that the state dashboard has a new look for 2022. Mr. Smith presented the results of the data that included summative metrics related to English language arts, mathematics, English language proficiency, chronic absenteeism and suspension, and he also presented data for targeted student groups. Dr. Tornatore explained how the district is responding to the data, specifically addressing the actions being implemented in order to reduce disparities and improve overall outcomes. Board members acknowledged the results of the data and expressed concerns regarding the suspension data, and they also posed questions about how to sustain current practices with the use of one-time funds, the possibility of receiving concentration dollars in the future, the goals and strategies used to monitor progress, and how to translate data into classroom actions, which staff addressed.

# Resolution No. 4044: CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration and Environmental Finding and Project Approval for the Arcade Fundamental Middle School New Construction Lease/Leaseback Project (I-4)

Chief Operations Officer Frank Camarda presented the item, explaining that the 30-day public review period process produced no comments. It was moved by Ms. Costa, seconded by Ms. Villescaz, to board adopt Resolution No. 4044, adopting the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), including a Mitigated Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), consisting of approval of findings that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; ABSENT: Hernandez].

# Resolution No. 4045: Arcade Fundamental Middle School Facilities Lease Amendment No. 2 (I-5)

Mr. Camarda presented the item. It was moved by Ms. Villescaz, seconded by Ms. Creason, to board adopt Resolution No. 4045, approving the second amendment to the lease agreement for the Arcade Fundamental Middle School new construction project no. 001-9512-P1 between San Juan Unified School District and Clark/Sullivan Construction. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; ABSENT: Hernandez].

# Proposed Revisions to Board Bylaw 9323 Meeting Conduct (I-6)

General Counsel Linda Simlick presented the item. After discussion, the board agreed to make amendments to the following two sections of the proposed bylaw revisions: (1.) Meeting Procedures – eliminate paragraph three related to the 10:30 p.m. time cap and (2.) Public Participation – amend item five, paragraph two to read: "In general, individual speakers will be allowed two minutes to address the board on each agenda or non-agenda item, and the board will limit the total time for public input on each item to 30 minutes. However, in exceptional circumstances when necessary to ensure full opportunity for public input, the board president may, with agreement of the majority of the board, adjust the total amount of time allowed for public input in 15-minute increments. The president may also ask members of the public with the same viewpoint to select a few individuals to address the board on behalf of that viewpoint."

It was moved by Ms. Villescaz, seconded by Ms. Creason, that the revisions to Board Bylaw 9323 Meeting Conduct be approved as amended. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; ABSENT: Hernandez].

## **Tentative Agreement: Teamsters Union Local No. 150 (I-7)**

Senior Director of Labor Relations Daniel Thigpen presented the item. It was moved by Ms. Villescaz, seconded by Ms. Costa, that the tentative agreement between the Teamsters Union Local No. 150 and the San Juan Unified School District be approved. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; ABSENT: Hernandez].

## Salary Schedule Adjustments: SJAA, Cabinet (I-8)

Mr. Thigpen presented the item. It was moved by Ms. Creason, seconded by Ms. Costa, that the salary schedule adjustments for the San Juan Administrators Association (SJAA) and Cabinet be approved. MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1 [AYES: McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Villescaz; NOES: None; ABSENT: Hernandez].

# **Board Reports (J)**

Ms. Villescaz reported that she visited several school sites over the past few weeks, where she had a wide range of conversations, and she thanked the sites for hosting her.

Ms. Costa acknowledged that Mr. Hernandez has been on the board for ten years and this is his first absence.

Ms. Creason reported that she visited with teacher librarian Brandi Veal at Del Campo High School, that she attended Arden Park Recreation and Park District's Fall Festival, she acknowledged the work of the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and she noted that October 24 was Diwali.

Dr. McKibbin shared information about the recent events that he attended: the middle school cross country event, along with Ms. Bassanelli, acknowledging the work of Middle School Athletics Director Dana Smith and the numerous coaches; the Del Campo High School homecoming halls, where he, along with Ms. Bassanelli and Mr. Hernandez, participated as judges; the grand opening of Mariposa Elementary School's Community Room, thanking community partners and the district's Family and Community Engagement (FACE) department for their participation; and the Haunted Casa Trunk or Treat event at Casa Roble Fundamental High School.

# Future Agenda (K)

There were no items added to the future agenda.

## Adjournment (L)

At 9:08 p.m., there being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned.

Melissa Bassanelli for
Michael McKibbin, Ed.D., President

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Kent Kern, Executive Secretary

Approved: 11/15/2022

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