

Paso Robles Joint Unified School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
June 22, 2021

MINUTES

A. OPEN SESSION

1. Announcement re "Live" Public Participation

An announcement was read in English and Spanish that Board meetings are now fully open to the public.

2. Public Comment

Public Comment protocols were read in English and Spanish.

3. Attendance/Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.

Present: Mr. Christopher Arend, Mrs. Dorian Baker, Mr. Chris Bausch, Mr. Lance Gannon. Mr. Tim Gearhart, Mr. Jim Reed, and Mr. Nathan Williams

B. PUBLIC COMMENT (for Closed Session Items)

1. Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items - To allow public comment prior to the Board's consideration of any closed session agenda item. Govt Code 54954.3

There were no requests to address the Board on closed session topics.

C. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:11 p.m.

1. Certificated Personnel Actions - Govt Code 54957 - Assignments/Replacements; Resignations/Retirements/Terminations; Position Closures

A motion passed unanimously to approve certificated personnel actions as presented in the attachment. Passed with a motion by Chris Bausch and a second by Dorian Baker.

2. Classified Personnel Actions - Govt Code 54957 - Assignments/Replacements; Resignations/Retirements/Terminations; Position Closures

A motion passed unanimously to approve classified personnel actions as presented in the attachment. Passed with a motion by Chris Bausch and a second by Nathan Williams.

3. Conference with Labor Negotiators - Government Code Section 54957.6

The Board received a report on CSEA negotiations from staff. No action taken.

4. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Government Code Section 54957

The Board discussed the summary of annual evaluations of the Superintendent received from board members. No action taken.

Closed Session ended at 6:15 p.m.

D. OPEN SESSION

The Board convened in Open Session at 6:20 p.m.

1. Report on Closed Session Action

Mr. Bausch reported the Board met in closed session to review and act on certificated and classified personnel actions, receive a report from staff regarding CSEA negotiations, and discuss the Superintendent Annual Evaluation.

2. Adopt Agenda

Brad Pawlowski requested that Item 1.2 be moved to follow immediately after Item G.1. Board members discussed the request. Prior to this agenda, there were two separate items covering the map approval and the sequencing approval. Counsel for the district advised that these two items can have action taken together, hence one item (1.2)

A motion passed to adopt the agenda as published with the exception of moving Item 1.2 to follow immediately after G.1. (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Tim Gearhart; 5-2).

AYES: Christopher Arend, Lance Gannon, Tim Gearhart, Jim Reed, Nathan Williams

NOES: Dorian Baker, Chris Bausch

E. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Trustee Gearhart led the pledge of allegiance.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Comments from the Public

In-person public comment from:

Monica Silva read her resignation from PRJUSD to the Board members.

Student Malia Gaviola retracted a comment she made in the Crimson Newsmagazine.

Dale Gustin regarding Main Street local summer events.

Yessenia Echeveria regarding translators and communication with the Hispanic community.

Heidi Holliday addressed the board members on their participation.

Staci Emmack regarding critical reasoning theory.

Sandy Eade regarding the PRHS drive-thru celebrations for awards and honors.

Brett Holliday addressed the board members on their participation.

Call-in public comment from:

Ruth Enriquez Bague regarding translation quality at meetings and a request to move presentation of the Grade Configuration Committee results to a meeting further out than the July 13, 2021, meeting so that staff and community members may attend in the fall.

Jesus Cendejas regarding diversity, equity and inclusion.

Camille Katz regarding teaching children race.

Emailed public comment was read by the recording secretary from:

Edie Anderson, Jay Adams and Klaus Schumann opposed to closing Georgia Brown Elementary.

Kim Paul and Darcy Kristy opposed to masks and vaccines for children.

Call-in public comment:

Rita Casaverde regarding poor English/Spanish translation.

Nancy Anastasia making a correction to her public comment from a previous meeting and agreeing with translation complaints.

2. California School Employees Association, Chapter #254

Chapter 254 President Jeannine Manninger had no comments for this meeting.

3. Paso Robles Public Educators

PRPE President Justin Pickard spoke of the district's robust summer programs for students, looking forward to new negotiations that begin tomorrow, and board discussion of area boundaries for better representation of the community. Mr. Pickard thanked the Blackbaud Giving Fund, SLO Emergency Operations Center and anonymous donors through DonorsChoose who have supported the classrooms and programs of PRJUSD.

4. Correspondence Received

No correspondence was received for this agenda.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing on Trustee Area Scenarios (Third Hearing)

Brad Pawlowski gave a brief summary of the By-Trustee Area elections and the previous two public hearings to gather community input. This was the final public hearing and the time to choose the final map and election sequencing option. Larry Ferchaw of Cooperative Strategies and Daniel McElhinney of Lozano Smith reviewed the final options and answered questions from the Board.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:19 p.m.

In-person public comment was heard from: Dale Gustin, Yessenia Echevarria, and Brett King.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:31 p.m. The Board members continued discussion

Item I.2 (moved by Trustee approval)

Adoption of Resolution No. 21-26 Initiating a Proposal to the San Luis Obispo County Committee on School District Organization for the Adoption of By-Trustee Area Elections

A motion passed to adopt Resolution No. 21-26, initiating a proposal to the San Luis Obispo County Committee on School District Organization for the adoption of By-Trustee Area Elections, and approving Scenario 4 Sequencing Option A (Trustee Areas 1,2, and 4 in the election year 2022; Trustee Areas 3,5,6, and 7 in the election year 2024).

(motion by Chris Bausch, second by Lance Gannon; 5-2).

AYES: Christopher Arend, Chris Bausch, Lance Gannon, Tim Gearhart, Nathan Williams

NOES: Dorian Baker, Jim Reed

H. CONSENT ITEMS

A motion passed unanimously to approve the consent agenda (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Dorian Baker).

1. Approve Board of Trustees' Meeting Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the June 8, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

2. Approve Updated Board Policy 5111 and Administrative Regulation 5111 – Admission (Second Reading)

Recommendation: Approve the Updated Board Policy 5111 and Administrative Regulation 5111 – Admission

3. Approve Updated Board Bylaw 9400 - Board Self-Evaluation (Second Reading)

Recommendation: Approve the Updated Board Bylaw 9400 - Board Self-Evaluation

4. Approve Purchase Order Listing

Recommendation: Approve Purchase Orders: 211713-211733 in the total amount of \$647,490.78.

5. Approve Payment Listing

Recommendation: Approve Payment Listing totaling \$106,924.43.

6. Approve Renewal of Illuminate Education Contract

Recommendation: Approve the renewal of Illuminate Education contract in the amount of \$45,161.58.

7. Approve 5th Installment of Springboard ELA Curriculum at PRHS

Recommendation: Approve the 5th installment of Springboard ELA curriculum at PRHS in the amount of \$46,993.79.

8. Approve Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Application

Recommendation: Approve Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Application

I. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Acceptance of Donations

A motion passed unanimously to approve and accept donations (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Nathan Williams).

3. Approve the 2021-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Babette DeCou reviewed the final LCAP documents and was available to the Board of Trustees for questions.

A motion passed unanimously to approve the 2021-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Lance Gannon).

4. Approve and Adopt the 2021-22 Financial Budget

Mr. Pawlowski previously presented the 2021-22 Proposed Budget at the June 8, 2021, meeting in its entirety. He was available for questions from the Board of Trustees.

In-person public comment was received from: Sheri Svendsen and Brett Holliday.

A motion passed unanimously to approve and adopt the 2021-22 Financial Budget (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Tim Gearhart).

5. Adoption of Resolution No. 21-25 Regarding the Education Protection Account (EPA) 2021-22

A motion passed unanimously to approve adoption of Resolution No. 21-25: Regarding the Education Protection Account (EPA) 2021-22, removing "on November 55" from the second line of the first recital. (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Chris Bausch).

6. Approve PRYDE Child Development Contract

A motion passed unanimously to approve PRYDE Child Development Contract CCTR 1247 (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Nathan Williams).

7. Approve One-Year Contract with Renaissance Learning (Accelerated Reader)

Erin Haley provided a review of the independent reading program for 2nd through 5th graders, its focus and implementation.

In-person public comment was received from: Michael Rivera with questions about how non-English speaking children will benefit from reading programs in the district.

A motion passed unanimously to approve the one-year contract with Renaissance Learning (Accelerated Reader) (motion by Dorian Baker, second by Tim Gearhart).

8. Approve One-Year Contract with One Cool Earth

Erin Haley presented the one-year contract specifications and answered questions from board members.

A motion passed unanimously to approve the one-year contract with One Cool Earth. (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Lance Gannon).

9. Approve the Purchase of LETRS Professional Learning Program

Erin Haley presented the LETRS program, the language professional development for Teachers of Reading and Spelling, and answered questions from board members.

A motion passed unanimously to approve the purchase of LETRS Professional Learning Program (motion by Dorian Baker, second by Tim Gearhart).

10. Approve the Purchase of Fountas and Pinnell Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) Program/Curriculum for Elementary Sites

Erin Haley presented the Fountas and Pinnell intervention program that supplements classroom literacy teaching for the elementary sites. Ms. Haley negotiated and announced a \$3,000 discount on the shipping cost.

A motion passed unanimously to approve the purchase of Fountas and Pinnell Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) Program/Curriculum for Elementary Sites (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Nathan Williams).

J. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Set Public Hearing for Facility Naming Committee Recommendations

The Public Hearing for the results of the Facility Naming Committee review and discussion of applications for facility naming will be presented at the board meeting on July 13, 2021. Notice of the hearing will be posted at least 10 days in advance and a press release sent to media in the county.

2. Local Indicators Included on California Dashboard

Erin Haley provided the five local performance indicators that the school district self-determines a rating for of met, not met, or not met for two or more years. This accountability allows the

district to improve instruction and supports. Ms. Haley answered questions from board members.

In-person public comment was received from:
Yessenia Echevarria, Heidi Holliday, and Brett Holliday

A motion passed unanimously to extend the meeting until 10:50 p.m. (motion by Lance Gannon, second by Tim Gearhart).

3. Discussion of Board Policy 6144 and Critical Race Theory (CRT)

The Board of Trustees determined that the total time allowed for the item was to be dedicated to public comment, not to Board member discussion.

In-person public comment was received from:
Mark Buchman, Courtney Haile, Jordan Martinez, Alexis Smith, Erin Cuarenta, Heather Nguyen, Desire Harris, Sara Gomez, and Rod Blackner, opposed to banning Critical Race Theory (CRT).
Dale Gustin, Heidi Holliday, Kirk Petrie, John Texeira, Michael Rivera, Sheri Svendsen, Brett Holliday, and Brett King, in favor of banning CRT.

Call-in public comment was received from:
Rita Casaverde, Carmen Bouquin, Camille Katz, Elena Garcia, and Ruth Enriquez Bague, opposed to banning CRT.
Peter Bryne in favor of banning CRT.

All emails received on this information item were compiled and sent to the members of the Board of Trustees and posted as a link in the Superintendent's Directly Speaking on the PRJUSD website on Friday, June 25, 2021.

A consensus was requested to determine if the Board of Trustees wanted this item on the agenda for the July 13, 2021 meeting. The majority of the Board responded with thumbs down.

K. SUPERINTENDENT/STAFF COMMENTS

There were no additional staff comments.

L. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

There were no additional board member comments.

M. INFORMATION/AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

There were no additional agenda item requests.

N. ADJOURNMENT

A motion passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 p.m. (motion by Chris Bausch, second by Dorian Baker).



Board Clerk



Board President