



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 11.1h

**Meeting Date:** August 5, 2021

**Subject:** Approve Minutes of the June 24, 2021, 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 June 24, 2021, Board of Education Meeting.

**Background/Rationale:** None

**Financial Considerations:** None

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

**Documents Attached:**

1. Minutes of the June 24, 2021, Board of Education Regular Meeting

<p><b>Estimated Time of Presentation:</b> N/A <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

## Board of Education Members

Christina Pritchett, President (Trustee Area 3)  
Lisa Murawski, Vice President (Trustee Area 1)  
Darrel Woo, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 6)  
Leticia Garcia (Trustee Area 2)  
Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)  
Chinua Rhodes (Trustee Area 5)  
Lavinia Grace Phillips (Trustee Area 7)  
Isa Sheikh, Student Member

Thursday, June 24, 2021

4:30 p.m. Closed Session

6:00 p.m. Open Session

## Serna Center

Community Conference Rooms

5735 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Sacramento, CA 95824

(See Notice to the Public Below)

# MINUTES

2020/2143

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

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC ATTENDANCE BY LIVESTREAM

Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting may do so by livestream at: <https://www.scusd.edu/post/watchmeetinglive>. No physical location of the meeting will be provided to the public.

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by President Pritchett, and roll was taken.

#### Members Present:

President Christina Pritchett  
Vice President Lisa Murawski  
Second Vice President Darrel Woo  
Leticia Garcia  
Jamee Villa  
Student Member Isa Sheikh

#### Members Absent:

Lavinia Grace Phillips (arrived at 4:38 p.m.)  
Chinua Rhodes (arrived via Zoom at 4:41 p.m.)

## 2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:

Public comment may be (1) emailed to [publiccomment@scusd.edu](mailto:publiccomment@scusd.edu) (2) submitted in writing, identifying the matter number and the name of the public member at the URL <https://tinyurl.com/SCUSDcommentJune24> or (3) using the same URL, submitting a request for oral comment only when the matter is called, instead of written comment. Regardless of the method by which public comment is submitted, including a request for oral comment, the submission deadline for closed and open session items shall be no later than noon, June 24. Individual public comment shall be presented to the Board orally for no more than two minutes or other time determined by the Board on each agenda item. Public comments submitted in writing will not be read aloud, but will be provided to the Board in advance of the meeting and posted on the District's website. The Board shall limit the total time for public comment presented on each agenda item, including communications and organizational reports, to 15 minutes in length. With Board consent, the President may increase or decrease the length of time allowed for public comment in length of

Public Comment:  
Caroline Cabias  
Daniel Darby  
Judy Farina  
Pat Scott  
Lamaia Coleman  
Flora Sanchez  
John Meyers  
Francis Smith

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

4.1 The Pledge of Allegiance

4.2 Broadcast Statement

4.3 Stelar Student – Destinee Griffin an 8<sup>th</sup> Grade student at Fern Bacon Middle School was introduced by Member Villa

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

Counsel Anne Collins made the following announcement

- x By unanimous approval of 0, the Board approved San Francisco County Superior Court Case No. CPM-5-514477

Superintendent Aguilar made the following announcement:

- x By unanimous approval of 0, the Board approved the appointment of Chase Tafoya as Principal of Albert Einstein Middle School

President Pritchett made the following announcement:

- x By unanimous approval of 0, the Board approved a positive evaluation of Superintendent Aguilar for the 2020-21 school year. She reported also that this means that the Superintendent's employment agreement is extended through June 20, 2025.

#### 6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

President Pritchett asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made to approve by Second Vice President Woo and seconded by Member Villa. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.

#### 7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

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Public Comment:

Alice Mercer  
Carl Pinkston  
Daniel Darby  
David Aleman  
Donielle Prince  
John Doe  
John Meyers  
Lamaia Coleman  
Mo Kashmiri  
Renee Webster Hawkins  
Terrence Gladney  
Jose Martinez  
Kense Martinez  
Michelle Rubalcava  
Elizabeth TenPas  
Rhonda Rios Kravitz  
Elizabeth Griswold  
Cecilia Flores  
Rebekah Turnbaugh  
Patricia Wentzel  
Tere Flores  
Lauren Cronin Wolkov  
Salena Pryor  
Kengo Akiyama  
Laurel Hollis  
Alan Saunders  
Jo Ann Solov  
Mark Dempsey  
Elizabeth Griswold  
Kate Lenox  
Jason Weiner

8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 Employee Organization Reports:

Information

*f* SCTA – Nikki Milevsky reported on behalf of SCTA

9.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

9.1 Recognition of Outgoing Student Board Member Isa Sheikh Information  
(President Pritchett and Superintendent Aguilar)

President Pritchett noted how Student Board Member Sheikh's tenure lasted throughout the pandemic, and she commended him for his exceptional voice to the Board, District, and students, listing his many achievements during the past year. She presented him with a marble apple and card.

Student Member Sheikh spoke about his selection to the role of Student Board Member and what that meant over the past year, as well as some of his perceptions of being selected and being on the Board.

Public Comment:

Daniel Darby  
Gwynnae Byrd  
Michael Minnick  
Renee Webster Hawkins

Board Comments:

Member Garcia thanked Student Member Sheikh for all his hard work in being the student voice for student needs and said he has made the District proud.

Vice President Murawski said that the student body could not have had a more courageous and dedicated person as representative. She thanked him for using his voice.

Superintendent Aguilar thanked Student Board Member Sheikh and said he has not often met someone at this age that has the ability to unpack very difficult and complicated policy matters. He said that he is a gifted leader and hopes he comes back to visit after he has completed his studies at the University of Notre Dame.

The Board took a break of five minutes to celebrate with Student Member Sheikh.

9.2 Resolution No. 3212: Resolution on Use and Expectations of Information  
One-Time Funds for Personnel Costs to Address the COVID  
Pandemic and Post Pandemic Needs (Isabella Garcia)

Member Garcia introduced the resolution and the reasons for bringing the resolution forward. She said the resolution is an attempt to strike a balance between using one-time funds to hire the necessary personnel to address learning loss and to clarify these hires are temporary unless ongoing funds are identified to keep these positions. She said the resolution specifically memorializes actions by the state and District in response to the pandemic and the need to continue to serve students, recognizes the historic \$313 million dollars in one-time funds from state and federal governments to help address learning loss, and that, despite this influx of funds, the District's unrestricted general fund budget is still projecting a structural deficit. It aligns with prior resolution 3180, which recognizes the existing structural deficit, and prior resolution 3100, which requires that, beginning with the 2022-23 budget or after the deficit is eliminated, to establish a reserve of no less than

five percent. The resolution also declares the Board's commitment to use a portion of 1 onetime funds to hire additional staff and approves the Superintendent to hire additional staff and pay for additional hires in the years 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-24. It recognizes that these positions will go away unless ongoing savings or additional ongoing revenues are identified to keep some or all of these positions beyond 2024. It also directs the Superintendent to provide updates to the Board on the expenditure of the funds for these positions and to provide information on how any or all of these positions may be retained long-term without continuing to report a qualified or negative budget. At this time, she also made additional changes to the language in the resolution per a document that she had already shared with other Board members.

Public Comment:

Daniel Darby  
Nikki Milevsky  
Phil Garcia  
Renee Webster-Hawkins  
Terrence Gladney

Board Comments:

Vice President Murawski thanked Member Garcia for her leadership and said she supports the changes introduced. She said she has minor edits to enhance clarity that she would share with Member Garcia. She stated that she believes it is important to make the Board's intentions clear.

President Pritchett also thanked Member Garcia for her work on the resolution.

Superintendent Aguilar said work will be done on the language that the resolution will come back to the Board before the end of the fiscal year. He asked for direction from the Board on tying this back to LCAP and SPSA goals that had been stated.

Member Garcia said it is an important point to tie this back to the LCAP. She said even the federal funds call out very specific student subgroups.

Vice President Murawski said that we need to use an equity framework.

Member Rhodes said we need to always look at how these resolutions impact the most marginalized groups and how they tie to the LCAP.

9.3 SELPA Local Plan: Connecting Special Educational Vision, Program, and Finance (Christine Baeta, Dr. Sadie Hedegard, and Giovanni Linares)

Informa

SELPA Director Geovanni Linares and Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Adrian Vargas gave the introduction. The team presented the annual budget and service plan, a plan for greater transparency, and next steps.

Public Comment:  
Renee Webster Hawkins  
Rich Vasquez



10.1 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Adoption (Vincent Harris and Steven Ramirez)

Action

The team gave a description of LCAP adoption and presented on alignment across District plans, a timeline, components of the LCAP, LCFF budget overview for parents, LCAP goals, contributors and groups, key updates since the 6/10/21 public hearing, exhibits in the LCAP, expenditures appendix for SCUSD, early literary focus, a revision of goal statements, an assessment of what works, dashboard local indicators for 2021, local indicator alignment to LCAP metrics, opportunities for growth moving forward, dependent charter plans, and their recommendation.

Public Comment:

Atasi Uppal

Mohammad Kashmiri

Renee Webster Hawkins

Rich Vasquez

Board Comments:

President Pritchett thanked staff involved in the forming of the LCAP and the LCAP/PAC.

Board Member Sheikh said staff has done an incredible job during this entire process in developing the LCAP and in including all the stakeholders. He thanked all involved for listening.

Member Garcia thanked staff. She said the process felt very robust this year. She thanked the committee PAC members as well for helping create this three year LCAP plan.

Vice President Murawski said this is a really good plan, and she appreciates all the hard work and volunteer work that went into it. She looks forward to the communication piece.

Member Rhodes said the removal of silos to help better impact our system is extremely important. He gave a shout out to the LCAP members and thanked them. He said the infusion of the work of other groups is commendable.

Member Garcia made a motion to approve the LCAP, and Second Vice President Woo seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Student Member Sheikh motioned to extend the meeting to 1:30 a.m., and Vice President Murawski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



college and career experience Ms. Espinosa said that the District has been in conversation with a couple construction business partners and that people from the STEM program have wanted to give robotics demonstrations. Member Villa said she would like to see interaction with local businesses. Ms. Espinosa said the District is open to expanding options. Member Villa asked how music opportunities were derived for seventh and eighth grade versus elementary. Ms. Baeta explained that this was a primary place to ensure that we were expanding our ability for equity and that it was a good area to enrich the system. She said it is also part of a broader plan to develop arts and music.

Student Member Sheikh said he is very happy to see the inclusion of college and career visits and also the Sly Park opportunity for sixth graders. He asked how the District is going to attract quality candidates when the positions have a year-end date.

Superintendent Aguilar said the Board is committed to creating a budget structure in which these programs and services can be sustained long term; he said that although they do not control all of that, there will be a focus on it. He said that also there may be other districts looking to hire very similar positions and there was a meeting recently with partners at Sacramento State to see how coordination, with a human resources perspective, can be achieved. Chief Human Resource Officer Cancy McArn spoke to this as well.

Member Phillips said she does not like the idea of creating jobs and then taking those jobs away from people after only two years. She noted that we have a grant writer and asked if any consideration has been given to hiring another grant writer to try and draw more revenue. Mr. Harris responded that we have analyzed our grant writing capacity and fortunately our current grant writer is in a great position to manage all current opportunities. Member Phillips asked, so if we have maxed out on the amount of grants for which we can apply, where are we going to get the rest of the money to make up for the fact that we will not have the financial ability to keep these positions in a couple of years. She said the additional benefit to students feels very temporary. She wants to make sure that everything that can be done is being done to guarantee that most of these positions can be kept when the time runs out. Mr. Harris offered that as we are aware of grants, we will continue to apply.

Member Garcia said she agrees; she wants to hire and retain. This is why the resolution contains having the Superintendent come back with a plan that includes identifying additional federal and state ongoing revenues and that identifies savings through negotiated and nonnegotiated solutions for all ongoing dollars that can be used to retain some of these positions.



years. Mr. Vargas shared that this figure is the difference between

Superintendent Aguilar also thanked Dr. Godina and commended staff for their work on the mid-year review process

Second Vice President Woo made a motion to move from Conference to Action, and Vice President Murawski seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Second Vice President Woo then motioned to approve, and Student Member Sheikh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## 11.0 PUBLIC HEARING

### 11.1 Public Hearing:







## 15.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Pritchett asked to adjourn the meeting in the memory of Michael F. Berrigan. Mr. Berrigan was a longtime employee of the District. He began his career at the District as a