

# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 12.1f

**Meeting Date:** May 2, 2024

**Subject:** Approve Minutes for the March 7, 2024 Regular Board of Education Meeting

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Read Conference/Action
  
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Superintendent's Office



# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

## Board of Education Members

Lavinia Grace Phillips (Trustee Area 1)  
President  
Jasjit Singh (Trustee Area 2)  
Vice President  
Chinua Rhodes (Trustee Area 3)  
Second Vice President  
Tara Jean (Trustee Area 4)  
Christina Pritchett (Trustee Area 3)  
Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)  
5735 Avenue  
amento, CA 95824

# MINUTES

2023/2419

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

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.

Members Present:

## DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

No public comment

## 3.0

- 3.2 Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA SEIU, TCS, Teamsters, UPE, Non-Represented/Confidential Management (Cancy McArn)
- 3.3 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint
- 3.4 Government Code 54957- Public Employee Appointment
  - a) Approve - Assistant Superintendent, Facility Support Services
  - b) Approve – Principal, Father Keith B. Kenny
- 3.5 Government Code Section 54957—Public Employee Employment (Positions: Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent)
- 3.6 Government Code Section 54957—Public Employee Performance Evaluation—Interim Superintendent, Interim Deputy Superintendent
- 4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  - 4.1 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Allen
  - 4.2 Broadcast Statement by Student Board Member Segura
  - 4.3 Stellar Student introduced by Board Member Jasjit Singh
- 5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
 

There were 3 announcements that came out of closed session.

  - The Board approved 2 settlement agreements each related to special education services by a vote of 6 to 0 with Member Jeane absent.
  - The Board approved the appointment of Christopher Ralston as Assistant Superintendent for Facilities Support Services by a vote of 6 to 0 with Board Member Jeane absent.
  - Previously, the Board interviewed Superintendent Search Firms, but did not approve a contract with any of the firms. While initially, the Board considered hiring a search firm to recruit outside candidates, so (s)-1 (,C0.002 Twu r)-1 (e)4 (c)red Supævie2 (c)1e Ber zoveciewe 48d Supeesistant Super ( R)le (e)4 (d (s)-1 (,(r)-1 (e)-1 )1 (oar)-1 oaW n d2 (e

## 7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may address the Board on agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Public comment may be (1) emailed to [publiccomment@scusd.edu](mailto:publiccomment@scusd.edu); (2) submitted in writing through the district's website at <https://www.scusd.edu/subpublic-comment>; or (cm Tc 0 Tw 22.169 7.4 4-agp-5.8 (d)2.4 ( ))TJ 0su w ae d

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- f Student Advisory Council- No update
- f Community Advisory Committee- No update
- f District English Learner Advisory Committee- No update
- f Local Control Accountability Plan/Parent Advisory Committee  
No update
  
- f Black/African American Advisory Board- Last night, B/AAAB approved seven new members. There will be a welcoming event for the new members at Serna. On the heels of the Black History Month resolution from last month, they hope to further partner with the District and include staff in their space to figure out how to best work together to get the remaining recommendations implemented wholeheartedly.
  
- f Community Schools Advisory Committee- The committee is making progress. Last night, they came up with draft bylaws, so they will be finalizing and voting on that, so they're ready for the next meeting. On Tuesday, there are interviews for the Community Schools Training Specialist position. Hoping to move forward with the 18 school principals and site reps trained, so they can get going, and hopefully by the end of the year, hiring the Site Community Schools Training Specialist.
  
- f Native American Parent Committee- The committee voiced their concern on the liability insurance and asked the Board to find a solution to prevent them from not using their elders to carry on their traditions. The committee invited the Board and community to the mural unveiling at Miwok Middle School on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

## 9.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- 9.1 Actualizing English Learner Reclassification: Success and Opportunities for Emergent Bilingual Students in SCUSD  
Dr. Olga Simms

Staff presented on multilingual literacy department outcomes, provided an overview of emergent bilingual students in SCUSD, shared criteria for reclassification, went over English learner academic performance data, case stories, and next steps.

Public Comment:  
No public comment

Board Comment:  
Member Rhodes asked what should we be doing to better identify students who should be reclassified earlier.  
Member Rhodes is interested in seeing data broken do

by school site and area. In regard to page 11, Member Rhodes wanted to know what are the academic supports to help interrupt the numbers and what is currently being done. Also, Member Rhodes wanted to know how staff is engaging with families. Member Rhodes asked how it has been building up our DELAC/ELAC on the ground floor. Member Pritchett shared that she liked the infographics, and asked if they are provided in different languages for parents. Member Pritchett shared that she was disturbed by the case study on slide 22, and wanted to know what we could be doing better.

Member Villawanted to know when we look at the data and identify a student, how often are staff following up?

Member Phillips wanted to know if there is any consideration for African American vernacular English being a language that can be utilized to increase progress for students.

Member Segura wanted to know, when it comes to gathering data, is it primarily by standardized testing? Member Segura shared that ~~times~~ standardized tests don't directly reflect a student's ability within a classroom and performance, and wanted to know if there were any other processes in place for tracking active progress.

## 10.0 PUBLIC HEARING

### 10.1 Public Hearing: AB 1200 Public Disclosure and Approval of MOU between SCUSD and SCTA (a Marking)

Cancy McArn shared the key provisions of SCUSD and SCTA overall. Jessie Castillo shared the fiscal impact for the AB 1200.

Public Comment:  
No public comment

Board Comment:  
Member Kayatta shared that he wanted to celebrate what the team and labor partners have done. Member Kayatta thanked staff for transparency around the Omnibus provisions

11.1 Independent Audit Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023, Submitted by Crowe LLP (Janea Marking)

Jeff Jensen, a partner with Crow LLP, shared the independent audit report to the Board.

Public Comment:

No public comment

Board Comment:

Member Phillips wanted to know if there were any extenuating circumstances for the students who did not have their immunizations when they were enrolled.

Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Singh. The Board voted 6-0 with Member Jeane absent.

11.2 2023-24 Second Interim Financial Report (Janea Marking)

Janea Marking shared the budget reporting cycle, revenues, expenditures, surplus/deficit and fund balance, multi-year projections, enrollment trend and other funds, and summary and certification.

Public Comment:

No public comment

Board Comment:

Member Kayatta thanked Ms. Marking for her work as well as for her transparency and insight. Member Kayatta would like to make a motion that we approve the second interim financial report with a positive certification rather than a qualified certification.

Member Villa shared that as Board members, they do not do the staff's work, and they should not be telling staff how to do their job. When staff brings the Board recommendations, she believes it is coming from true information that staff work so hard on every day.

Member Singh thinks it is possible to be both. Member Singh shared that we have great staff, but they also have assets on the Board and appreciates Member Kayatta, who brings this amazing lens.

Member Phillips asked what is a solid time for a certification to actually matter, if we are talking about pushing a positive certification based on principle.

Member Kayatta shared that what he is recommending is based on facts that he understands about our budget situation. This is not about the principle, which is important. Member Kayatta truly believes that the Distri

has a positive budget certification currently. Member Kayatta shared that the Board has information that they are allowed to consider on the Ed Code, that's not necessarily appropriate for staff to consider ~~with~~ their recommendation.

Member Pritchett is worried that we're looking at it as we're putting up a veil of people looking in, which worries her a bit. Member Pritchett asked Ms. Marking, when you wrote down a qualified certification, how come you didn't put positive certification instead?

Member Kayatta made a motion to approve the ~~2023-~~

on.



12.1 Superintendent's Report (Lisa Allen) Interim Superintendent Allen congratulated the C.K. McClatchy girls' basketball team for their historic upset and incredible run in the CIF Nor Cal regional tournament. Interim Superintendent Allen thanked C.K. McClatchy for hosting the Sac City Unified All City Music Concert on Leap Day. On February 29<sup>th</sup>, CUSD had their hiring event, and she thanked Dr. Tiffany Smith-Simmons and HR team for working to fill positions across the District. Interim Superintendent thanked the Communications Team for promoting the hiring event and working to get news coverage out that day. Last Friday, Interim Superintendent Allen attended the California School Public Relations Association Conference, where the Communications team was awarded two awards for their efforts to highlight new projects within the District. Also,

13.1a 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  
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## 15.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

9 March 21, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting

9 April 4, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting

## 16.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

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Lisa Allen, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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