

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION



March 19, 2024 Closed Session 6:00 p.m. / Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Mr. Gary Knackstedt, President; Dr. Rommel Bal, Vice-President; Ms. Sherry Alexander, Clerk; Mrs. Susan Macfarlane; Mr. Joe Nava; Mr. Courtney Porter; and Mr. Jeff Stroh

**Administrative Staff:** Mr. Neil Young, Superintendent; Dr. Robert Sahli, Associate Superintendent, Education Services; Dr. Allen Dosty, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel; and Mr. Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer

Meeting Recorder: Mrs. Michelle Armstrong, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the James Areida Education Support Center, 1305 East Vine Street, Lodi, CA, and broadcast on YouTube.

### **Public Comment on Closed Session Items**

The mother of a student spoke concerning their child's discipline case, Item B-7 Expulsion: Student # 23/24-9-66.

Desiree Wise, President, California School Employees Association, Lodi Chapter #77, commented on bargaining and one-time funds.

## **Adjourn to Closed Session**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session.

## **Reconvene Open Session**

The meeting reconvened at 7:10 p.m. Attendance was recorded, and Board Member Courtney Porter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Moment of Silence**

President Knackstedt shared that Kenneth Baumbach of the Maintenance & Operations Department had recently passed away. Board extended their condolences to the Baumbach family, and to the staff at Maintenance & Operations.

#### **Closed Session**

President Knackstedt reported the following action was taken in Closed Session:

#### **Personnel Matters**

Mr. Nava motioned, Mrs. Macfarlane seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve the appointment of Alyssa Barban as Elementary Principal, effective date, and location, to be determined.

Dr. Bal motioned, Mr. Porter seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve the appointment of Horace Taylor Jordan-Henderson as High School Assistant Principal, effective 2024/2025 school year, location to be determined.

Mr. Stroh motioned, Mr. Nava seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve the appointment of Laura Aguirre as Elementary Vice Principal, effective 2024/2025 school year, location to be determined.

Mr. Porter motioned, Mr. Stroh seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve the appointment of Jennifer Allen as Elementary Vice Principal, effective date, and location, to be determined.

Ms. Alexander motioned, Dr. Bal seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve the appointment of Joyann Smith as Elementary Vice Principal, effective 2024/2025 school year, location to be determined.

## **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation**

Mr. Nava motioned, Mrs. Macfarlane seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve Claim #635117.

## **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Young had nothing to report.

## **Comments from Employee Group Representatives**

Desiree Wise, President, California School Employees Association, Lodi Chapter #77, commented on recruitment of classified employees for the upcoming school year and requested Board to look at the salary schedule to bring it up to minimum wage.

Lisa Lennon-Wilkins, President, Lodi Education Association (LEA), thanked Board for the completed MOU for school site closures and commented on ongoing negotiations. She spoke about attending an upcoming conference in Hawaii.

### **Comments from the Public**

Tamathy Braden, Paraeducator-Severely Handicapped, Creekside Elementary, spoke about increasing the one-time funds for CSEA.

## **Public Comments on Consent Agenda A**

Lisa Lennon-Wilkins, President, Lodi Education Association (LEA), commented on Item A-1. She spoke about the amended agreements with Windwalker Security and Gutierrez, Perry & Villarreal.

Desiree Wise, President, California School Employees Association, Lodi Chapter #77, commented on Item A-1 & A-13. She spoke about CSEA submitting a "request for information" in regard to Windwalker. She stated that both Windwalker and Item A-13 are services that CSEA could provide.

## **Consent Agenda A, Routine Business**

Mr. Porter pulled Item A-1.

Item A-2	Warrant Rep	port (Mr. Kahn)	
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- Item A-3 Approval of Certificated and Classified Personnel Matters (Dr. Dosty)
- Item A-4 Resolution 2024-18 Authorization to Advertise and Solicit Bids for the Valley Robotics Academy/Henderson Classroom Remodel Project No. 0826-8426 (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-5 Resolution 2024-27 Award Contract for Internet Service Provider (ISP) Services (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-6 Resolution 2024-28 Authorization to Advertise and Solicit Bids for the J.A.E.S.C. Roofing Replacement Project No. 3213-4416-11 (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-7 Resolution 2024-29 Award of Contract and Authorization to Begin Work for the Lodi High School Demolition & New Flooring in Six Classrooms Project No. 0825-8425-4 (Mr. Kahn)

- Item A-8 Resolution 2024-30 for the Transition Partnership Program (TPP) a cooperative contract between Lodi Unified School District and the Department of Rehabilitation for July 2024-June 30, 2027 (Mr. Warren)
- Item A-9 Resolution 2024-31 Authorization to Publish a Request for Proposals for CalSHAPE Program Services (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-10 Resolution 2024-32 Award of Contract and Authorization to Begin Work for the Lodi High Paving Project No. 0825-8425-3 (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-11 Resolution 2024-33 Authorization to use Sole Source Provider Eaton Bus Ducting Equipment (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-12 Resolution 2024-34 Authorization to Advertise and Solicit Bids for the Ronald E. McNair High School Bus Duct Gear Replacement Project No. 9800-0000 (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-13 Addition of Hanna Interpreting Services to the 2023-2024 Non-Public Agency Master Contract (Mr. Warren)
- Item A-14 Proposed revisions to Board Policy 0440.1 Cybersecurity and Data Privacy; Board Policy 3100 District Budget; Board Policy 3330 Use of District Funds for Payment of Meals and/or Refreshments at District Functions; Board Policy 3544 Equipment Assigned to Schools; Board Policy 3561 Lending School Property; Board Policy 3570 Consultants; Board Policy 3580 District Records; Board Policy 7000 Concepts and Roles; Board Policy 7110 Facilities Planning; Board Policy 7140 Construction-Selection of Architects; Board Policy 7150 Facilities Site Selection; Board Policy 7160 Cellular Towers; Board Policy 7170 New Construction-Naming of Facilities; Board Policy 7214 Facilities-General Obligation Bonds; Board Policy 7310 New Construction-Naming of Facilities (Mr. Kahn)
- Item A-15 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 5, 2024 (Mr. Young)
- Item A-16 Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 12, 2024 (Mr. Young)
- Item A-17 Minutes of the Study Session Meeting of March 12, 2024 (Mr. Young)

Mr. Nava moved, Dr. Bal seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve Consent Agenda A, Routine Business, as amended.

## Individual Action on Items Pulled from Consent Agenda A – Routine Business Item A-1 Contracts List

Mr. Porter asked if the services that Windwalker provides is something that district staff can fill.

Mr. Kahn replied, stating that is possible, but the need for overnight security was needed immediately.

Mr. Porter moved, Mr. Nava seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve Item A-1 Contracts List.

## **Public Comments on Consent Agenda B**

No comments were received for Consent Agenda B.

## Consent Agenda B - Student Discipline Cases

- Item B-1 Expulsion: Student # 23/24-12-60
- Item B-2 Expulsion: Student # 23/24-9-61
- Item B-3 Expulsion: Student # 23/24-9-62
- Item B-4 Expulsion: Student # 23/24-10-63
- Item B-5 Expulsion: Student # 23/24-10-64
- Item B-6 Suspended Expulsion: Student # 23/24-8-65
- Item B-7 Expulsion: Student # 23/24-9-66

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Mrs. Macfarlane moved, Mr. Nava seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve Consent Agenda B, Student Discipline Cases, as presented.

### **Other Action Items**

#### Item OAI-1 Transportation Plan 2024

Mr. Kahn explained that Board will review and adopt the plan again in three years unless changes are needed before the three-year renewal.

Mr. Nava moved, Mr. Stroh seconded, and the Board voted to unanimously approve Item OAI-1 Transportation Plan 2024.

## Reports

Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 3110 Transfer of Funds; Board Policy and Rule 3230 Federal Grant Funds; Board Policy and Rule 3260 Fees and Charges; Board Policy 3316 Purchases of Equipment by Student Organizations; Board Policy, Rule and Exhibit 3320 Claims Against the District; Board Policy and Rule 3325 Conferences/Meals/Travel Expenditures; Board Policy and Rule 3330 Use of District Funds for Payment of Meals and/or Refreshments at District Functions; Board Policy 3400 Management of District Assets/Accounts; Board Policy 3430 Investing; Board Rule 3440 Inventories; Board Policy 3452 Student Activity Funds; Board Policy and Rule 3460 Financial Reports and Accountability; board Policy 3470 Debt Issuance and Management; Board Policy 3470.1 Fraud; Board Policy and Rule 3515.4 Recovery for District Property Loss or Damage

Mr. Kahn presented the proposed revisions to Board for review.

Ms. Alexander asked if less policies can be brought to a meeting a one time, due to the amount of time it takes to review.

Board Revisions and Additions to Board Policies and Rules: 3553 Free and Reduced Price Meals; 5111 Admission; 5111.1 District Residency; 5116.2 Involuntary Student Transfer; 5141 Health Care and Emergencies; 5141.52 Suicide Prevention; 5145.6 Parent/Guardian Notifications; 5145.13 Response to Immigration Enforcement; 5146 Married/Expectant/Parenting Students

Dr. Sahli presented the proposed revisions to Board for review.

**Public Comments** 

Lisa Lennon-Wilkins, President, Lodi Education Association (LEA)

## **Board Member Advisory Committee Reports**

Superintendent Young stated he scheduled a meeting with the City of Stockton to discuss rundown buildings in front of McNair High School.

Mr. Porter requested a meeting with City of Lodi to discuss the traffic control issues in front of school sites.

Mr. Stroh spoke about dangerous driving at Lakewood Elementary crosswalks.

### **Comments from the Board**

Ms. Alexander wished everyone a restful two-week break.

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Mrs. Macfarlane and Mr. Knackstedt spoke about attending the mission presentations with the fourth-grade class at Elkhorn School.

Mr. Knackstedt spoke about attending the job fair at Lincoln Technical Academy and that the crosswalk warning lights at Creekside Elementary are not working.

Mr. Stroh spoke about how nervous he was reading books in classrooms but what a neat experience it was.

Dr. Bal spoke about attending freshman interviews at Middle College High School and having a successful meeting with the RBET committee.

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The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.	
Clerk of the Board	President of the Board