

WEST COVINA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

February 9, 2021

The Board of Education of the West Covina Unified School District held a virtual Board meeting in compliance with the Governor of California's "Safer-at-Home Order" due to COVID-19.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by President Eileen Miranda Jimenez at 4:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS There was no public comment regarding Closed Session items.

CLOSED SESSION The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 4:31 p.m. to consider:

- A. Expulsion of 1 student
- B. Public Employee Appointment/Complaint/Discipline/Dismissal/Employment/Transfer (Government Code Section 54957)
- C. Conference with labor negotiators (Government Code 54957.6)
Employee Organization: Teachers Association of West Covina
Employee Organization: California School Employees Association, Chapter #91. Negotiator: Michael F. Seaman
- D. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(d)

The Board adjourned Closed Session at 6:02 p.m.

OPEN SESSION Open Session reconvened at 6:06 p.m.

Roll Call Present:

Members
Eileen Miranda Jimenez
Rose Lopez, Ed.D.
Michael Flowers
Juanita Cruz
Joe Magallanes

Angelina Martinez, Mt. SAC ECA, Student Representative

Superintendent
Charles D. Hinman, Ed.D.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Miranda Jimenez reported the following out of Closed Session:

In accordance with Education Code 48918(j), the Board will take final action in open session on the expulsion matters described in Item A of the Closed Session Agenda.

Moved by Dr. Lopez, seconded by Mr. Flowers, to expel Student #198099 for violation of Education Code Section 48900(a1), (.4), (.7) and 48915(b1), (b2).

Ayes: Miranda Jimenez, Flowers, Magallanes
Noes: Lopez, Cruz

BUSINESS SESSION

Approval of Agenda
and Consent Items
#156

Moved by Mr. Flowers, seconded by Ms. Cruz, to approve the agenda and consent items for the regular meeting of February 9, 2021, as presented.

Vote: Unanimous

Minutes of Meeting
#157

By consent, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of January 26, 2021, as presented.

Appointment of Student
Board Member
#158

By consent, to appoint D'Artagnan Chappell (CHS) as Student Board Member for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

Board Member
Conference Attendance
#159

By consent, to ratify conference attendance for Board Members Eileen Miranda Jimenez and Juanita Cruz to participate in the California School Boards Association Masters In Governance – The Brown Act Virtual Conference, January 29, 2021.

Board Member
Conference Attendance
#160

By consent, to approve conference attendance for Board Members Eileen Miranda Jimenez, Juanita Cruz, and Joe Magallanes to participate in the California School Boards Association Institute for New & First Term Board Members Virtual Conference, February 19 – 20, 2021.

Board Member
Conference Attendance
#161

By consent, to approve conference attendance for Board Member Eileen Miranda Jimenez to participate in the California School Boards Association Board Presidents Virtual Workshop, February 27, 2021.

Board Member Conference Attendance #162	By consent, to approve conference attendance for Board Members Eileen Miranda Jimenez, Dr. Rose Lopez, and Juanita Cruz to participate in the California School Boards Association Masters In Governance – Foundations of Effective Governance/Setting Direction Virtual Conference, March 12 – 13, 2021.
Information Report: COVID-19 Update #163	At this meeting, it was reported that we are nearing the percentage required by the County to open up schools again. Staff is ready for the updated COVID safety plan and how we will implement procedures and protocols. As far as vaccines are concerned, after the elderly, educators will have the opportunity to receive their shots, probably in the next 2 – 10 days. Scheduling will be either online or through an employee's own doctor. The County Department of Health will help with distribution of the vaccine.
Consultant Services Agreements #164	By consent, to approve the consultant services agreements, as presented.
Resolution for District of Choice Program #165	Moved by Ms. Cruz, seconded by Mr. Magallanes, to approve the resolution accepting the 260 District of Choice applications for the 2021 – 2022 school year, as presented. Vote: Unanimous
Personnel Report #166	By consent, to approve and/or ratify the personnel recommendations, as referred on Reference Pages C1-C1b, as presented.
2020 – 2021 Purchase Orders #167	By consent, to approve and/or ratify Purchase Orders, as presented, on Reference Page D1.
Warrants #168	By consent, to accept A and B Warrants, as presented on Reference Page D2.
Gifts to the District #169	By consent, to accept the gifts, on behalf of the district, as presented.

The Board recessed from 7:06 – 7:10 p.m.

Study Session –
Brown Act
#170

Sukhi Ahulwala from Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo concluded her presentation on the Brown Act. She finished outlining details about agenda planning and posting and began the with the topic of Closed Session, where she reviewed language used in Closed Session and emphasized the confidentiality of any discussion had during that time. She then reviewed Social Media Practices and the cautions Board Members must take in separating their role and activities as a Board Member with occasions and events in their personal lives.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Meeting of February 9, 2021 was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. by President Eileen Miranda Jimenez.

Michael Flowers, Clerk
Board of Education