

WEST COVINA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

March 9, 2021

The Board of Education of the West Covina Unified School District met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 in the Edgewood High School Cafeteria, 1301 Trojan Way, West Covina, California.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by President Eileen Miranda Jimenez at 4:31 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 4:32 p.m. to consider:

- A. Public Employee Appointment/Complaint/Discipline/Dismissal/Employment/Transfer (Government Code Section 54957)
- B. 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
- C. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Two Cases)
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d1) – Case No. 206198; OAH Case No. 202011054
- 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 6:04 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

D'Artagnan Chappell, WCHS, Student Representative

Superintendent

Charles D. Hinman, Ed.D.

REPORT OF ACTION
TAKEN IN CLOSED
SESSION

Mrs. Miranda Jimenez stated there was nothing to report out of Closed Session.

Moved by Ms. Cruz, seconded by Mr. Magallanes, to approve the settlement agreement related to Case No. 206198.

Vote: Unanimous

Moved by Mr. Magallanes, seconded by Mr. Flowers, to approve the settlement agreement related to OAH Case No. 2020110054.

Vote: Unanimous

ITEMS FROM THE
FLOOR

Members of the audience addressed the Board thanking them for their support of a fundraising program and gave input regarding the agenda item on reopening of school.

BUSINESS SESSION

Approval of Agenda
and Consent Items
#191

Moved by Dr. Lopez, seconded by Mr. Magallanes, to approve the agenda and consent items for the regular meeting of March 9, 2021, as presented.

Vote: Unanimous

Minutes of Meeting
#192

By consent, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of February 23, 2021, as presented.

Minutes of Meeting
#193

By consent, to approve the minutes of the Special meeting of March 2, 2021, as presented.

Board Member
Conference Attendance
#194

By consent, to approve conference attendance for Board Members Dr. Rose Lopez and Juanita Cruz to participate in the California School Boards Association Masters In Governance – School Finance Virtual Conference, April 23 & 24, 2021.

Board Member
Conference Attendance
#195

By consent, to approve conference attendance for Board Member Eileen Miranda Jimenez to participate in the California School Boards Association Masters In Governance – School Finance Virtual Conference, May 6 & 7, 2021.

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| Special Board of Education Meeting #196 | By consent, to approve the date of April 13, 2021 to hold a Special Board Meeting to hold a Study Session on Collective Bargaining. |
| Reopening Schools for Hybrid/Simultaneous In-Person Instruction #197 | Moved by Ms. Cruz, seconded by Mr. Flowers, to approve the Hybrid/Simultaneous plan and schedule, as presented. Vote: Unanimous |
| Information Report: COVID-19 Update #198 | With data continuing to trend in the right direction and, per the Department of Public Health, thanks to the vaccine distribution, we are moving towards the next tiers. As of now, districts are allowed to hold in-person graduations in June with restrictions. We have been in discussion with principals and will come back to the Board with recommendations. |
| Consultant Services Agreements #199 | By consent, to approve the consultant services agreements, as presented. |
| Resolution to Declare April as Autism Awareness Month #200 | By consent, to approve the resolution declaring April as Autism Awareness Month. |
| Adoption of the Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Pupils #201 | By consent, to adopt the 2021 Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Pupils. |
| Dual Language Immersion Summer Academy #202 | By consent, to approve the Dual Language Immersion Summer Academy, as presented. |
| 2021 Extended School Year (ESY) #203 | By consent, to approve the 2021 ESY, as presented. |
| Options for Youth (OFY), Duarte Inc. and the West Covina Unified School District (WCUSD) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the 2021 Summer School Program #204 | By consent, to approve the MOU between OFY and WCUSD starting on July 1, 2021. |

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| 2021 Secondary Summer School Programs #205 | By consent, to approve the 2021 Secondary Summer School Programs, as presented. |
| Summer Literacy Camp #206 | By consent, to approve the Summer Literacy Camp, as presented. |
| COVID-19 Testing for West Covina Unified School District Athletics #207 | By consent, to approve the COVID-19 testing for West Covina Unified School District Athletics, as presented. |
| Personnel Report #208 | By consent, to approve and/or ratify the personnel recommendations, as referred on Reference Pages C1-C1a, as presented. |
| Certification of Athletic Coaches #209 | By consent, to certify that the District has met the provisions of Title 5, CCR, Section 5593 with respect to the employment of temporary athletic team coaches. |
| 2020 – 2021 Purchase Orders #210 | By consent, to approve and/or ratify Purchase Orders, as presented, on Reference Page D1. |
| Warrants #211 | By consent, to accept A and B Warrants, as presented on Reference Page D2. |
| Resolution for Interfund Transfer #212 | By consent, to adopt this resolution to transfer funds, as presented. |
| 2020 – 2021 Second Interim Report #213 | Moved by Dr. Lopez, seconded by Ms. Cruz, to approve the Second Interim Report, as presented, with a positive certification. Ayes: Miranda Jimenez, Lopez, Flowers, Cruz Noes: Magallanes |
| Summer Swim Lesson Program #214 | Moved by Mrs. Miranda Jimenez, seconded by Dr. Lopez, to approve the Summer Swim Lesson Program, as presented. Vote: Unanimous |

The Board recessed from 8:10 – 8:25 p.m.

Study Session –
Budget
#215

Dr. Passalacqua presented the Board information about school district budgets and the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF). He began with a general breakdown of the thousands of accounts in the District, how the budget is comprised, the process and role of outside agencies, types of revenues, budget acronyms, and the process the District goes through each year with the budget reports before, during, and after State projections and assumptions. He stressed that, due to the Board's long history of being fiscally conservative and the renewed projections coming from the State, the District looks to continue to be in good shape.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Meeting of March 9, 2021 was adjourned at 9:39 p.m. by President Eileen Miranda Jimenez.

Michael Flowers, Clerk
Board of Education