

WEST COVINA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

April 27, 2021

The Board of Education of the West Covina Unified School District met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 27, 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 4:30 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. 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  
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d2) – Settlement with Employee No. HT0840051 and UJ2300825
- D. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation  
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraphs (d)(2) of Government Code Section 54956.9

The Board adjourned Closed Session at 5:54 p.m.

OPEN SESSION                      Open Session reconvened at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call                              Present:

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

Savana Smethurst, EHS, 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:

Moved by Ms. Cruz, seconded by Mr. Flowers, to approve the settlement agreement related to Employee ID #UJ2300825.

Vote: Unanimous

Moved by Dr. Lopez, seconded by Mr. Magallanes, to approve the settlement agreement related to Employee ID #HT0840051.

Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing: 2021 – 2022 A Public Hearing was hereby declared open at 6:05 p.m. for the Initial Proposals from the California School Employees' Association, and its Chapter #91 (CSEA) purpose of hearing testimony regarding the 2021 – 2022 Initial Proposals from the California School Employees' Association, and its Chapter #91 (CSEA).

There being no further comment, the Public Hearing was declared closed at 6:06 p.m.

Public Hearing: 2021 – 2022 A Public Hearing was hereby declared open at 6:06 p.m. for the District's Initial Proposals to the California School Employees' Association, and its Chapter #91 (CSEA) purpose of hearing testimony regarding the 2021 – 2022 District's Initial Proposals to the California School Employees' Association, and its Chapter #91 (CSEA).

There being no further comment, the Public Hearing was declared closed at 6:07 p.m.

Public Hearing: 2021 – 2022 A Public Hearing was hereby declared open at 6:07 p.m. for the Initial Proposals from the Teachers' Association of West Covina (TAWC) purpose of hearing testimony regarding the 2021 – 2022 Initial Proposals from the Teachers' Association of West Covina (TAWC).

There being no further comment, the Public Hearing was declared closed at 6:07 p.m.

Public Hearing: 2021 – 2022 A Public Hearing was hereby declared open at 6:08 p.m. for the District’s Initial Proposals to purpose of hearing testimony regarding the 2021 – 2022 District’s the Teachers’ Association of Initial Proposals to the Teachers’ Association of West Covina West Covina (TAWC) (TAWC).

There being no further comment, the Public Hearing was declared closed at 6:08 p.m.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

A member of the audience addressed the Board thanking them for their support of classified employees with a recently sponsored breakfast.

BUSINESS SESSION

Approval of Agenda and Consent Items #220

Moved by Mr. Flowers, seconded by Ms. Cruz, to approve the agenda and consent items for the regular meeting of April 27, 2021, as presented.

Vote: Unanimous

Minutes of Meeting #221

By consent, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of March 9, 2021, as presented.

Minutes of Meeting #222

By consent, to approve the minutes of the Special meeting of March 23, 2021, as presented.

Minutes of Meeting #223

By consent, to approve the minutes of the Special meeting of April 13, 2021, as presented.

Board Member Conference Attendance #224

By consent, to ratify conference attendance for Board Members Eileen Miranda Jimenez, Dr. Rose Lopez, Michael Flowers, Juanita Cruz, and Joe Magallanes to participate in the National School Boards Association 2021 Online Experience Conference, April 8 – 10, 2021.

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| <p>Board Policy – First and Second Reading #225</p>   | <p>By consent, to accept, for first and second reading, and adopt the following Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibit:</p> <p>BP/AR 0420.4, Charter Schools<br/> BP/E 0420.41, Charter School Oversight<br/> BP 0420.42, Charter School Renewal<br/> BP 0420.43, Charter School Revocation<br/> BP/AR 7160, Charter School Facilities</p>   |
| <p>Information Report: COVID-19 Update #226</p>   | <p>With data continuing to trend in the desired direction, the focus is on high school athletics and graduations. With athletics back for spring, everyone is excited to play sports again and take weekly tests to ensure safety. As for graduations, with the allowance of “informal social gatherings,” which equates to groups of 50 for outside events and 25 for inside events, staff is working out details to host in-person, socially distanced graduations!</p> |
| <p>Consultant Services Agreements #227</p>  | <p>By consent, to approve the consultant services agreements, as presented.</p>   |
| <p>Authorization for Extended Study Trip #228</p>   | <p>By consent, to approve the extended study trip, as presented.</p>  |
| <p>University of Southern California (USC) and the West Covina Unified School District (WCUSD) Memorandum of Understanding #229</p> | <p>By consent, to approve the memorandum of understanding between USC and WCUSD, as presented.</p>  |
| <p>Expanding Learning Opportunity Programs Summer 2021 #230</p>   | <p>By consent, to approve the expansion of existing summer programs at the elementary, middle, and high school levels to address learning loss caused by the pandemic and subsequent school closure.</p>  |
| <p>Personnel Report #231</p>  | <p>By consent, to approve and/or ratify the personnel recommendations, as referred on Reference Pages C1-C1d, as presented.</p>   |
| <p>University Student Fieldwork/Practicum Agreements #232</p>   | <p>By consent, to approve the University Student Fieldwork/Practicum Agreements, as presented.</p>  |

- Accept Initial Proposals from the California School Employees' Association, and its Chapter #91 (CSEA) #233 By consent, to accept the initial proposals from CSEA.
- Adopt District's Initial Proposals to the California School Employees' Association, and its Chapter #91 (CSEA) #234 By consent, to adopt the District's initial proposals to CSEA.
- Accept Initial Proposals from the Teachers' Association of West Covina (TAWC) #235 By consent, to accept the initial proposals from TAWC.
- Adopt District's Initial Proposals to the Teachers' Association of West Covina (TAWC) #236 By consent, to adopt the District's initial proposals to TAWC.
- Resolution – Classified School Employee Week #237 Moved by Dr. Lopez, seconded by Mr. Flowers, to adopt the resolution observing the week of May 16, 2021 as Classified School Employee Week.  
Vote: Unanimous
- Resolution – Day of the Teacher #238 Moved by Mr. Magallanes, seconded by Ms. Cruz, to adopt the resolution observing May 12, 2021 as Day of the Teacher.  
Vote: Unanimous
- Information Report: Williams/Valenzuela/CAHSEE Lawsuit Settlement 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report of Complaints and Resolutions #239 Staff presented a brief report to the Board of the Williams/Valenzuela/CAHSEE lawsuit settlement, as mandated by law. They were able to report no complaints on this issue.

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| 2020 – 2021 Purchase Orders<br>#240                  | By consent, to approve and/or ratify Purchase Orders, as presented, on Reference Page D1.  |
| Warrants<br>#241                                     | By consent, to accept A and B Warrants, as presented on Reference Page D2.   |
| Gifts to the District<br>#242                        | By consent, to accept the gifts, on behalf of the district, as presented.  |
| Award of Contracts<br>#243                           | By consent, to approve the award of contracts, as presented; further, to authorize budget transfers, purchase orders, and release of warrants in support of these contracts.   |
| One-Year Contract RFP 01:1819 Milk and Dairy<br>#244 | By consent, to approve the contract to Driftwood Dairy, as proposed in the RFP for Milk and Dairy, for one year; further, to authorize budget transfers, purchase orders, and release of warrants in support of this contract. |

The Board recessed from 6:57 – 7:07 p.m.

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| Study Session – Charter Schools<br>#245 | Attorney Sukhi Ahluwalia from Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud, & Romo was once again on hand to complete the presentation on Charter Schools. They continued the discussion by reviewing key elements regarding denial and renewal of charter petitions, new criteria for granting or denying a renewal, an overview of our District approved charter schools, and ended with a review of Proposition 39, a framework mandating the allocation of facilities between schools districts and charter schools, and the impact this will have for districts. |
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Dr. Lopez left the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT  
There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Meeting of April 27, 2021 was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by President Eileen Miranda Jimenez.

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Michael Flowers, Clerk  
Board of Education