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**Board of Education/District Administration Office
July 20, 2021
Regular Meeting Agenda
Closed Session: 5:30 pm / Regular Session: 6:30 pm**

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A. Regular Session

1. Call To Order

President Ford called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Public Comments On Closed Session Items Only

No public comment. The Board adjourned closed session.

B. Closed Session

- 1. Public Employee Appointment (Government Code §54957)
Title/Description of Position to be Filled: Principal, Secondary [3],
Director, Educational Technology Services [1] (Becchio)**
- 2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code §54957) Title of Employee to be Reviewed: Superintendent (Ford)**
- 3. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Government Code §54957) (Becchio) Number of Cases: Two**

C. Return to Regular Session

1. **Opening of Meeting**

President Ford reconvened the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Members present:

Kate Ford, President
Rose Munoz, Vice President
Wendy Sims-Moten, Clerk
Laura Capps, Board Member
Virginia Alvarez, Board Member

Staff present:

Dr. Hilda Maldonado, Superintendent
Steve Venz, Chief Operations Officer
Ana Escobedo, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education
Shawn Carey, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Dr. Frann Wageneck, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services
Kim Hernandez, Assistant Superintendent Fiscal Services
Dr. John Becchio, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Dr. Patricia Madrigal, Executive Director of Partnerships and Community Engagement
Brian Rowse, Chief Information Officer
Camie Barnwell, Chief of District Communications
Sandra Trujillo, Executive Assistant
Adriana Morales, Administrative Assistant

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Simultaneous bidirectional interpretation in English and Spanish was provided.

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American Sign Language was provided.

4. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Superintendent Dr. Maldonado led the Pledge.

5. **Announcement of Closed Session Action**

Motion to approve the appointment of Sonia Amaral as the Principal of La Cuesta and Alta Vista made by Virginia Alvarez seconded by Wendy Sims-Moten. The Motion

Passed by a vote of Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0.

Ayes: Alvarez, Capps, Ford, Munoz, Sims-Moten

Motion to approve the appointment of Mauricio Ortega as Director of ETS made by Rose Munoz seconded by Virginia Alvarez. The Motion Passed by a vote of Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0.

Ayes: Alvarez, Capps, Ford, Munoz, Sims-Moten

President Ford stated the Board took the following action:

- A motion was made by Ms. Alvarez and seconded by Ms. Sims-Moten to unanimously approve the appointment of Sonia Amaral as the Principal of La Cuesta and Alta Vista. The motion was approved unanimously by the Board.
- A motion was made by Ms. Munoz and seconded by Ms. Alvarez to approve the appointment of Mauricio Ortega as Director of ETS. The motion was approved unanimously by the Board.

6. Superintendent's Report - The superintendent and/or his designee may report about various matters involving the districts. There will be no board discussion except to ask questions, refer matters to staff, or make brief announcement or brief report. No action will be taken unless listed on the subsequent agenda.

Superintendent Dr. Maldonado introduced Kim Hernandez, new Assistant Superintendent of Fiscal Services. Ms. Hernandez shared a little bit about her herself and provided a brief update on important legislative and fiscal impacts that had transpired since the Board last met.

Dr. Maldonado shared they will be hosting a Leadership Institute next week for District Leaders and explained plans to monitor student progress. She also shared a district org chart regarding the new positions that were created.

Dr. Maldonado congratulated the Santa Barbara Soccer Club's Under-18 Boys for their opening win at the U.S. Youth Nationals in Florida. She also shared the official dedication and ribbon cutting of Santa Barbara High's Peabody Stadium was held on July 3rd. Dr. Maldonado thanked donors, leaders and staff as well as those who saw the project from beginning to end. Lastly, Dr. Maldonado recognized the Santa Barbara High Dons boys Water Polo team, who won the California State High School Water Polo Championships in Orange County. She introduced Coach Mark Walsh who shared a few words.

7. **Board Comments and Correspondence**

Student Board Member Dawson Kelly encouraged people of his age to get vaccinated. He expressed his plan as a Student Board Member is focused on being proactive instead of reactive when it comes to making decisions. He invited the public to reach out to him with any comments.

Ms. Alvarez shared she visited several Summer of Learning school sites and enjoyed engaging with the students and teachers. She thanked teachers, principals, and staff for all their work that went into the Summer of Learning.

Ms. Capps shared two correspondences, one regarding the Newcomer Session and the second regarding modifying the school schedule for the next school year.

Ms. Sims-Moten shared she visited the Summer of Learning program at La Cumbre Junior High. She welcomed Student Board Member Dawson Kelly and Assistant Superintendent of Fiscal Services Kim Hernandez.

Ms. Munoz shared she attended the No Kid Hungry Summer School concert series and enjoyed meeting students and volunteers. She also attended the Peabody Stadium Dedication Ceremony and thanked everyone who was involved. She encouraged the considerations of vaccinations and wearing masks.

President Ford thanked Samuel Espinoza for his years of service and wished him a happy retirement. She acknowledged Dr. Maldonado's birthday and congratulated Ms. Sims-Moten on receiving the LEAP Award. She shared she attended the Peabody Stadium Dedication and thanked everyone who was involved. She also shared that all 6.2 million students in California, will have the opportunity to eat school meals for free, regardless of their family's income in the coming year.

8. **Public Comments, Non-agenda Matters within Jurisdiction of the Board of Education**

Public Comment:

1. Jennifer Williams
2. Rosanne Crawford
3. Sheridan Rosenberg
4. Sunita Beall

D. **Acceptance of Donations**

1. Acceptance of Donations for July 20, 2021 (Hernandez)

Motion to accept the donations for July 20, 2021 with gratitude made by Wendy Sims-Moten seconded by Virginia Alvarez. The motion Passed by a vote of Ayes - 4, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 1.

Ayes: Alvarez, Capps, Ford, Sims-Moten

Absent: Munoz

E. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda except item E.10 made by Wendy Sims-Moten seconded by Laura Capps. The Motion Passed by a vote of Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0.

Ayes: Alvarez, Capps, Ford, Munoz, Sims-Moten

Public Comment:

1. None

At this time the board will act on the items listed below. These items are considered to be routine and are normally approved by a single vote of the board without separate discussion in order to conserve time and permit focus on other matters on this agenda. Individual consent items may be removed and considered separately at the request of a board member or staff. The superintendent and staff recommend approval of all Consent Agenda items.

General Consent Items

1. Approval of Special Education Contracts for July 20, 2021 (Wageneck/Schettler)
2. Approval of Contract between Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) and Santa Barbara Unified School District for the 2021-22 School Year (Carey and Escobedo)
3. Approval of Renewal of Agreement with Aeries Software for Aeries Student Information System (Rowse)
4. Approval of Renewal of Agreement with ParentSquare for ParentSquare Parent Engagement Platform (Rowse)
5. Acceptance of Quarterly Williams Uniform Complaints Report for the Santa Barbara Unified School District for the Period Ending June 30, 2021 (Venz)
6. Approval to Apply for 2021-22 Categorical Funding for Santa Barbara Unified School District in Consolidated Application (Venz)

Education and Instruction

7. Staff Travel: Out-of-State and/or in Excess of \$3,000 (Escobedo)
8. Approval of Contract for Services with Crescendo Education Group (Joe Feldman) for School Year 2021-2022 (Carey)

Personnel

9. Approval of Human Resources Recommendations (Becchio)

Business and Finance

10. Ratification of Contracts/Grants and Memorandums of Understanding under \$10,000 Each for July 20, 2021 (Hernandez)

Motion to approve the Ratification of Contacts/Grants and Memorandums of Understanding under \$10,000 Each for July 20, 2021 made by Laura Capps seconded by Rose Munoz. The Motion Passed by a vote of Ayes - 3, Nays - 0, Abstain - 2, Absent - 0.

Ayes: Capps, Ford, Munoz
Abstain: Alvarez, Sims-Moten

11. Acceptance of Changes to Authorized Signatures and Submission of Authorized Signature Forms F(1) and G(1) to the Santa Barbara County Education Office (Hernandez)
12. Approval of Direct Payments for Services Rendered in Amounts Due over \$10,000 Each for July 20, 2021 (Hernandez)
13. Approval of Purchase Order Report for July 20, 2021 (Hernandez)

Facilities

14. Approval of Agreement for Architectural Services with Kruger, Benson, Ziemer Architects, Inc. (KBZ) for New Classrooms and Site Improvements Project at La Colina Jr. High School. (Vizzolini)
15. Approval of Contract Award for the Dos Pueblos High School Orchestra Pit Safety Netting Project (Vizzolini)

F. Action Agenda

1. Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators (Becchio) 5 minutes

Motion to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators made by Laura Capps seconded by Virginia Alvarez. The Motion Passed by a vote of Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0.

Ayes: Alvarez, Capps, Ford, Munoz, Sims-Moten

Public Comment:

- None

Ms. Sims-Moten asked for clarification on the meaning of CLAD and BCLAD. Ann Peak clarified CLAD is California Language Acquisition and Development Certificate and BCLAD is the Bilingual California Language Acquisition and Development Certificate which is part of what enables teachers to teach students that are multilingual learners.

G. Report/Discussion Agenda

1. ** 7:00 PM - Time Certain ** COVID-19 Board Report #24 (Executive Cabinet) 20 minutes

Dr. Wageneck presented the COVID-19 Report #24 noting the following:

- Santa Barbara County COVID case rates have increased consistently since June with a pronounced increase in July
- The District will continue to follow guidelines from California Department of Public Health and Santa Barbara Public Health
- There are 1,950 students in summer school, zero cases of COVID amongst students and staff, and one positive COVID case from a high school athlete
- The framework for COVID testing for the school year will be brought to the Board at the next Board Meeting on August 10th
- The District continues to work with neighborhood clinic to figure out ways that they can provide vaccination clinics and will be communicating with families about the importance of vaccinations and serving those families regarding their interest in on-campus vaccinations during return to school events

Steve Vizzolini provided an updated on cleaning, disinfecting and ventilation protocols. Dr. Wageneck shared they are currently updating their COVID Safety Plan and will bring the completed plan at the August 10th Board Meeting.

Public Comment:

1. Jamie Davin
2. Dani Piola
3. Heather Blancho
4. Justin Shores

2. ** 8:00 PM - Time Certain ** Summer of Learning Report Number #10 (Educational Services Team) 20 minutes

Ana Escobedo presented the Summer of Learning Report #10 noting the following:

- The Leadership Summer Institute Equity in Action will occur the week of July 26-30, 2021 at Santa Barbara High School
- Summer of Learning attendance rate averages are 88% for Elementary, 83% for Junior High, and 85% for High School
- Enrichment Learning Opportunities continue for Summer of Learning students
- 13 high school students have graduated from the Summer of Learning and more are anticipated to come

- Upcoming Summer Bridge Program for Kindergarten, 6th Grade to Middle School and 8th grade to High School are scheduled to occur throughout this and next month
- Extended SOL opportunities for elementary include giving students backpacks with fiction and non fiction literature to practice reading and comprehension skills

Dr. Maldonado shared Ms. Carey and high school principals are working to plan Summer School Graduations.

Public Comment:

- None

Ms. Alvarez requested the attendance slide include the total number of student for clarification.

3. First Reading and Discussion of Exhibit 5144, Discipline Guidelines 20 minutes
(Wageneck)

Dr. Wageneck presented the Response to Behavior Guidelines Report.

Public Comment:

- None

H. (If Needed) return to consent items designated for Discussion

I. Coming Events

- Summer School, June 14 - July 23, 2021
- Latino Leaders Roundtable, July 22, 2021
- Leadership Team Summer Institute, July 26-30, 2021
- First Day of School, August 17, 2021

J Future Agenda items

- COVID report #25
- Summer of Learning #11
- Response to Behavior Board Guidelines
- Approval of Teachers Curriculum Institute (TCI) for the junior high social studies instructional materials pilot
- Approval of Renewal of Annual Educational Platforms
- Sped Para-Professional Training
- Legislative Changes & Fiscal Impact to SBUSD
- A-G Requirements Review

Ms. Alvarez asked for an update to be provided on the Independent Studies requirement and its projected fiscal impact.

K. Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 10, 2021
Regular Board Meeting, 6:30 PM
Public Remote Virtual Participation Only

L. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.