

**NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
GOVERNING BOARD**

February 12, 2020
6:00 PM
Administrative Center
1500 "N" Avenue
National City, CA 91950

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:

Present:

Ms. Barbara Avalos
Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda
Ms. Maria Dalla
Ms. Alma Sarmiento

Absent:

Mr. Brian Clapper

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Barbara Avalos, called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None

3. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

4. CLOSED SESSION - 4:00 P.M.

Closed session was held from 4:02 p.m. to 5:55 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session.

5. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

6. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Barbara Avalos, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

7. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President, Barbara Avalos, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

8. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Jocelyn Gomez took roll call.

9. PRESENTATIONS

9.A. California Schools Voluntary Employees Benefits Association (VEBA) State of the Trust Presentation.

Laura Josh, General Manager, Marketing, Sales and Product Development gave a presentation regarding the California Schools Voluntary Employees Benefits Association (VEBA) State of the Trust.

9.B. Recognize Ms. Valeria Haymes Lopez, Palmer Way School, Administrative Assistant-School, as National School District Employee of the Month for February 2020.

Mr. Alfonso Denegri, Principal, Palmer Way School, recognized Ms. Valeria Haymes Lopez, Administrative Assistant-School, as the National School District Employee of the Month for February 2020.

Board Member, Maria Dalla, presented Ms. Haymes Lopez with a certificate and an engraved District pen.

9.C. Introduce and welcome the new employees.

Leticia Hernandez, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources introduced and welcomed the new employees.

Board President, Barbara Avalos, presented each new employee with a District pin.

10. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None

11. AGENDA

11.A. Accept agenda.

Motion Passed: Accept agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

12. APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Motion Passed: Consent Calendar passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

12.A. Minutes

12.A.I. Approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 22, 2020.

12.B. Administration

12.C. Human Resources

12.C.I. Ratify/approve recommended actions in personnel activity list.

12.C.II. Accept the employee resignations/retirements.

12.D. Educational Services

12.E. Business Services

12.E.I. Ratify/approve purchase orders, contracts and warrants as summarized and detailed in Exhibit A.

13. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

13.A. Adopt Resolution #19-20.17 supporting Schools and Communities First.

Motion Passed: Adoption of Resolution #19-20.17 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

13.B. Renew National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) membership for Barbara Avalos, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, Brian Clapper and Maria Dalla.

Motion Passed: Renewal membership passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

14. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

14.A. Approve the Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) for each National School District elementary school and the District office.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval of the plans passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

14.B. Amend contract #CT3045 with South Bay YMCA for Before and After School program for the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion Passed: Amendment of contract #CT3045 passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

14.C. Approve contract #CT3695 with Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center to provide parents nutrition and cooking classes for Las Palmas School.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval of contract #CT3695 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

14.D. Approve contract #CT3705 with Mobile-ed Productions to provide a mobile museum focusing on student learning of STEAM at Lincoln Acres School.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval of contract #CT3705 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

Financial Impact:

General Fund - Site

14.E. Approve contract #CT3708 with Play-Well TEKnologies for engineering classes at Rancho de la Nación School.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval of contract #CT3708 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Absent Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

Financial Impact:

General Fund - Site

14.F. Approve Memorandum of Understanding #CT3711 with WestEd for administration of the California Healthy Kids Survey during the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval of Memorandum of Understanding #CT3711 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda
Absent Mr. Brian Clapper
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

15. HUMAN RESOURCES

15.A. Approve 2020-2021 school year work calendar.

Motion Passed: Approval of the work calendar passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda
Absent Mr. Brian Clapper
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

15.B. Approve Internship Agreement #CT3709 between the Gwynedd Mercy University and National School District.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval of Internship Agreement #CT3709 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda
Absent Mr. Brian Clapper
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

16. BUSINESS SERVICES

16.A. Discuss potential seating area project in drop-off/pick-up area at Ira Harbison School.

Mr. Christopher Carson, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services and Mr. David Castillo, Director of Maintenance and Operations shared information regarding a potential seating area project for drop-off/pick-up at Ira Harbison School.

16.B. Approve fee waiver for Use of Facilities at Lincoln Acres School.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval to fee waiver passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda
Absent Mr. Brian Clapper
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

16.C. Award contract #CT3707 to GigaKOM for Internal Connections Firewall for District Network for E-Rate Funding Year 2020.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, contract #CT3707 awarded to GigaKOM passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda
Absent Mr. Brian Clapper
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

16.D. Accept gifts.

Motion Passed: Acceptance of gifts passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda
Absent Mr. Brian Clapper
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

17. BOARD WORKSHOP

18. BOARD/CABINET COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Sarmiento thanked all those who have made donations over the years for the kids. She was happy to know people and the community want to help the National School District students.

Ms. Betancourt-Castañeda thanked the Palmer Way Parent Teacher Association (PTA) for their generous donation to sixth grade camp. She thanked VEBA for their wonderful presentation. She congratulated Ms. Haymes Lopez on her Employee of the Month recognition. She wished everyone a happy Valentine's Day.

Ms. Dalla echoed the previous sentiments and thanked everyone for attending the Board meeting. She wished everyone a happy Presidents' Day

Mr. Carson clarified his misunderstanding regarding the funding source question to Dr. Kraft and Ms. Betancourt-Castañeda. He welcomed the new employees and thanked Mr. David Castillo for the Ira Harbison seating area presentation.

Dr. Hernandez thanked the Board for the approval of the graduate student internship.

Dr. Kraft celebrated the work that VEBA is doing and she shared that she has had the opportunity to join several VEBA classes, which she enjoyed. She thanked Ms. Hayes for the implementation of the new English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) system. She wished everyone a happy Valentine's Day and a great long weekend.

Dr. Brady invited the Board to the District's Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Donation Event at Lincoln Acres School on Thursday, February 13th. She thanked the Eric Paredes Save A Life Foundation for the donation that allows the District to upgrade its AEDs systemwide. The San Diego Project Heart Beat will be teaching students on the proper way to use AEDs and how to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). She shared that Ms. Young, Principal, Ira Harbison School, will be hosting a short informal garden opening ceremony also on Thursday, February 13th.

She shared that on March 10th, Mr. Vernon Billy, CEO & Executive Director, California School Boards Association (CSBA), will be visiting the District. She shared two options with the Board on how to accommodate all Board members interested in joining the visit, whether it would be a Special Board Meeting or a staggered schedule. She also shared that the Census Bureau partnered with Peachjar to disseminate information about the Census to all K-12 parents.

Ms. Avalos welcomed the new employees. She thanked everyone for their patience with her conducting the meeting and navigating through the agenda. She shared that she attended the PTA Officers meeting at Lincoln Acres, the Human Trafficking Parent Event at Central, the District Parent Advisory Committee (DPAC) meeting, District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) meeting, the 17th District Delegate meeting, and the Education for the Future meeting. She wished everyone a happy Valentine's Day.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Board President, Barbara Avalos, adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Clerk of the Governing Board

Secretary to the Governing Board