

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

April 11, 2018  
6:00 PM  
Administrative Center  
1500 "N" Avenue  
National City, CA 91950

**Attendance Taken at 6:07 PM:**

Present:

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, called the public meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

**2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Tamlyn McKean, NCETA, spoke regarding negotiations.

**3. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

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

Closed session was held from 4:08 p.m. to 6:05 p.m.

Prior to adjourning the meeting, Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, announced that in accordance with Government Code Section 54957.1 (a)(2), which is a provision in the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Governing Board in closed session took action by a 3-2 vote to approve the initiation of a legal action by legal counsel for the District - Currier & Hudson. If the action is formally commenced, the action and defendant will be disclosed. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, Brian Clapper and Maria Dalla voted yes. Barbara Avalos and Alma Sarmiento voted no.

**5. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

**6. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, called the public meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

**7. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **8. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Jocelyn Sandoval took roll call.

## **9. PRESENTATIONS**

### **9.A. Recognize Mrs. Maria Terriquez, Olivewood School, as the National School District Volunteer of the Month for February 2018.**

Recognized Mrs. Maria Terriquez, Olivewood School, as the National School District Volunteer of the Month for February 2018. Principal, Mrs. Beverly Hayes, introduced Mrs. Terriquez and commented on her many fine qualities.

On behalf of the Governing Board, Ms. Maria Dalla presented Mrs. Terriquez with a certificate and a logo clock.

### **9.B. Recognize Mrs. Bianca Ramirez, Instructional Assistant-Special Education, Lincoln Acres School, as National School District Employee of the Month for April 2018.**

Recognized Mrs. Bianca Ramirez, Instructional Assistant-Special Education, Lincoln Acres School, as the National School District Employee of the Month for April 2018. Lincoln Acres Principal, Ms. Luz Vicario, introduced Mrs. Ramirez and commented on her many fine qualities.

On behalf of the Governing Board, Ms. Alma Sarmiento presented Mrs. Ramirez with a certificate and a District logo watch.

## **10. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Mirsha De La Tore, parent, spoke in support of teachers.

Mr. Brian McKeeney, NCETA spouse, spoke in support of teachers.

Mr. Juan Carrillo, NCETA spouse, spoke in support of teachers.

Mr. Ryan Johnson, NCETA spouse, spoke in support of teachers.

Ms. Christina Benson, NCETA, spoke regarding negotiations.

Ms. Miriam Aguilar Escobar, LULAC, spoke regarding student protection and curriculum.

## **11. AGENDA**

### **11.A. Approve agenda.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve agenda Passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

**Yes** Ms. Barbara Avalos

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

## **12. CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**Motion Passed:** Approve Consent Calendar Passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos  
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda  
Yes 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 March 14, 2018.**

### **12.B. Administration**

**12.B.I. Approve the National School District Governing Board meeting schedule for the 2018-19 school year.**

**12.B.II. Approve the Quarterly Report to the San Diego County Office of Education on Williams Complaints.**

### **12.C. Human Resources**

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

**12.C.II. The employee resignations/retirements on the attached list were accepted by Leticia Hernandez, Director, Human Resources.**

**12.C.III. Adopt 2018-2019 school year work calendar.**

### **12.D. Educational Services**

**12.D.I. Adopt Resolution #17-18.17, declaring the week of April 16 through April 20, 2018 as the "Week of the Young Child."**

### **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 #17-18.18 affirming the dedication of the District to provide a safe school environment and positive school climate for all students.**

**Motion Passed:** Adopt Resolution #17-18.18 affirming the dedication of the District to provide a safe school environment and positive school climate for all students Passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**14. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

**14.A. Approve Consultant Contract #CT3485 with Wayne Houchin to provide an anti-bullying assembly for Palmer Way School third through sixth grade students.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve Consultant Contract #CT3485 with Wayne Houchin to provide an anti-bullying assembly for Palmer Way School third through sixth grade students Passed with a motion by Ms. Barbara Avalos and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**14.B. Approve contract #CT3487 with Premier Healthcare Services for a Licensed Vocational Nurse for the remainder of the school year to be assigned to student #3431120668 for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve contract #CT3487 with Premier Healthcare Services for a Licensed Vocational Nurse to be assigned to student #3431120668 for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**14.C. Presentation from community partner, Olivewood Gardens, on its program and continuing work with National School District.**

Corey Madueño, Olivewood Gardens, gave a presentation regarding the Olivewood Gardens program and continuing work with National School District.

**14.D. Presentation and progress report on the 2017-2018 National City Collaborative Family Resource Center.**

Jose Mireles, Eva Watts, and Angelica Benitez gave a presentation on the progress of the National City Collaborative Family Resource Center.

**15. HUMAN RESOURCES**

**15.A. Conduct Public Hearing pursuant to Government Code Section 3547 regarding the proposal from the National School District to the California School Employees Association (CSEA) and its National Chapter 206 to open negotiations for the 2018-2019 School Year.**

The public hearing was opened at 7:43 p.m.

Dr. Leticia Hernandez, Director of Human Resources, spoke regarding the proposal.

The public hearing was closed at 7:44 p.m.

**16. BUSINESS SERVICES**

**16.A. Consideration and appointment of Marisol Flores and Manuela Ramirez to the Measure N and HH Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.**

**Motion Passed:** Appoint Marisol Flores and Manuela Ramirez to the Measure N and HH Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**16.B. Approve the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and Bylaws of the San Diego County Special Education Legal Alliance for the purpose of joining the Alliance.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, Approve the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and Bylaws of the San Diego County Special Education Legal Alliance for the purpose of joining the Alliance Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**16.C. Approve CT3488 with Nyhart Actuary & Employee Benefits to perform the Other Post-Employment Benefits Actuarial Valuation for the National School District.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, Approve CT3488 with Nyhart Actuary & Employee Benefits to perform the Other Post-Employment Benefits Actuarial Valuation for the National School District Passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

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

#### **16.D. Accept gifts.**

**Motion Passed:** Accept gifts Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

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

#### **17. BOARD WORKSHOP**

##### **17.A. Review and discuss suggested revisions and updates to Board Policies and Administrative Regulations.**

The Governing Board and staff reviewed and discussed suggested revisions and updates to Board Policies and Administrative Regulations. Policies BP/AR3451.2, AR3543 and AR3550, were pulled for further review and will be brought back with the next round of policies.

#### **18. BOARD/CABINET COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Dalla thanked everyone for their informative presentations.

Mr. Clapper shared that he attended the theater presentation at Lincoln Acres. He shared that he enjoyed his visits to Central School and Maintenance & Operations. He invited everyone to hear an El Toyon student sing at the National City Public Library on April 23.

Ms. Avalos congratulated the Employee of the Month and the Volunteer of the Month. She gave kudos to the Kitchenistas.

Ms. Sarmiento shared that she attended the Broadway production at Lincoln Acres School.

Dr. Hernandez thanked the principals for their work with the campus student supervisors.

Mr. Carson gave kudos to the staff in Purchasing, CNS and M&O for their hard work during Spring break on the Classroom Redesign Challenge.

Dr. Brady shared that the issue with backpacks and vandalism has been resolved. She shared that there will be a Special Board Meeting to update the Board on the facilities projects as well as a Special Board Meeting to tour of the newly redesigned classrooms. She congratulated Ms. Vicario for all her work with English Learner students. She thanked Executive Cabinet and the Board for their hard work on updating Board policies.

Ms. Betancourt-Castañeda congratulated the Employee of the Month and the Volunteer of the Month. She apologized for missing the theater presentation at Lincoln Acres School.

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

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Clerk of the Governing Board

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Secretary to the Governing Board