

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

September 09, 2020

6:00 PM

Virtual

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President, Barbara Avalos called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Clerk, Brian Clapper, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL**

**Attendance taken at 6:16 p.m.:**

Present:

Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Mr. Brian Clapper

Ms. Maria Dalla

Ms. Alma Sarmiento

Absent:

Ms. Barbara Avalos

Updated Attendance:

Ms. Barbara Avalos was updated to present at: 6:22 p.m.

Mrs. Jocelyn Gomez took roll call.

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

CSEA E-Board Chapter 206 and its Union Members, submitted a public comment regarding negotiations.

## **5. PRESENTATIONS**

### **5.A. Recognize the Child Nutrition Services Department Employees for the Month of September 2020.**

Recognized the Child Nutrition Services Department Employees for the Month of September 2020.

On behalf of the Governing Board, Human Resources presented the team with a certificate and "Live Friendly" mug.

### **5.B. Introduce and welcome the new employees.**

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

On behalf of the Governing Board, Human Resources presented each new employee with a District pin.

## **6. AGENDA**

### **6.A. Accept Agenda.**

**Motion Passed:** Acceptance of Agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

Absent Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

## **7. APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**Motion Passed:** Approval of the Consent Calendar 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

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Absent Ms. Alma Sarmiento

### **7.A. Minutes**

**7.A.I. Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on August 25, 2020.**

**7.A.II. Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on August 26, 2020.**

**7.A.III. Approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on August 26, 2020.**

**7.B. Administration**

**7.C. Human Resources**

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

**7.C.II. Accept the employee resignations/retirements.**

**7.D. Educational Services**

**7.E. Business Services**

**7.E.I. Adopt Resolution #20-21.17 for Gann Appropriations Limit for the 2020-21 fiscal year.**

**7.E.II. Ratify/approve purchase orders, contracts and warrants as summarized and detailed in Exhibit A.**

## **8.GENERAL FUNCTIONS**

**8.A. Updates and discussion on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.**

Dr. Brady, along with Executive Cabinet, updated the Governing Board on District-wide collaboration during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **9. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

**9.A. Presentation of the National School District 2020-2021 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan.**

Dr. Sharmila Kraft gave a presentation on the National School District 2020-2021 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan.

**9.B. Approve the National School District 2020-2021 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (Exhibit B).**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, approval of the National School District 2020-2021 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan 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

**9.C. Approve contract #CT3764 with Achieve3000 Inc. for implementation at all National School District schools for the 2020-2021 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, approval of contract #CT3764 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda 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

**9.D. Approve contract #CT3765 with Benchmark Education Company to provide professional learning to National School District teachers for the English Language Development component of Benchmark Advance.**

For the record, the contract cost for #CT3765 should not exceed the total as written: \$10,800.

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, approval of contract #CT3765 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

**9.E. Approve consultant contract #CT3767 with SWING Education to provide substitutes and tutoring services.**

**Motion Passed:** Approval of consultant contract #CT3767 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  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**9.F. Approve the purchase of SeeSaw licenses for National School District for the 2020-2021 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, approval for the purchase of SeeSaw licenses passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

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

**9.G. Approve the purchase of digital subscription for Renaissance myON News and Renaissance myON Reader for National School District for the 2020-2021 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Approval of the digital subscription purchase for Renaissance myON News and Renaissance myON Reader 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  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**9.H. Approve the renewal of digital subscription for Imagine Español for National School District for the 2020-2021 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Approval for the renewal of Imagine Español digital subscription 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  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**10. HUMAN RESOURCES**

**10.A. Approve the appointment of the attached Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) Council members for the 2020-2021 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, approval of the Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) Council members appointment 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  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

## **11. BUSINESS SERVICES**

### **11.A. Approve the 2019-2020 Unaudited Actuals Financial Reports (Exhibit C).**

Dr. Brady and Ms. Erina Cowart gave a report on the 2019-2020 Unaudited Actuals Financial Reports.

**Motion Passed:** Approval of the 2019-2020 Unaudited Actuals Financial Reports passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

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

### **11.B. Approve contract #CT3769 with Managed Health Network to provide an Employee Assistance Program for non-benefited staff.**

**Motion Passed:** Approval of contract #CT3769 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

### **11.C. Approve membership for District Administrators in the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) for the 2020-2021 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, approval of membership for District Administrators in the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) 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  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Yes Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

### **11.D. Accept gifts.**

**Motion Passed:** Acceptance of gifts passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

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

## **12. BOARD WORKSHOP**

## **13. BOARD/CABINET COMMUNICATIONS**

Due to technical difficulties Ms. Sarmiento missed the vote for agenda item 7 and commented that she would have voted “yes” to item 7 if present at that time.

Ms. Betancourt-Castañeda thanked everyone who was present. She welcomed the new employees and congratulated the Child Nutrition Services department for their recognition. She thanked all who gave a presentation this evening. She thanked all staff for the hard work on Distance Learning as well as the reopening of schools. She thanked all the Board members for always putting children first.

Ms. Dalla thanked the National School District's staff for their hard work that is ultimately for the well-being and academic achievement of the students. She inquired about Integrity Charter filing a Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCAP) and if the Board is required to review it.

Mr. Clapper thanked the Child Nutrition Services department for all their hard work during these hard times. He thanked all who gave a presentation this evening, including Ms. Erina Cowart who worked alongside Dr. Brady for their presentation. He shared that he misses visiting the schools and students. He thanked Ms. Erina Cowart and Dr. Brady for addressing one of his questions of where the leftover money goes. He wished everyone a good evening.

Dr. Hernandez welcomed the new employees. She wished everyone a good night.

Dr. Kraft thanked staff, Board members and families for their hard work in helping our students strive. She wished everyone a good evening. She wished an early happy birthday to Dr. Hernandez.

Dr. Brady thanked Ms. Erina Cowart and Dr. Kraft for preparing the presentation reports. She thanked the Board members for their questions and the time they take to prepare for the meetings. She thanked Dr. Hernandez for sharing the positive staff highlights. She commented on the requirements for reopening of schools. She also shared information regarding the requirements for the reopening of preschool and commented that the District is working closely with Ms. Charmaine Lawson, Director of Early Childhood Education, and will give updates as soon as they receive them. She wished a happy birthday to Mr. Joe Ferris, Ms. Barbara Avalos and Dr. Hernandez.

Due to technical difficulties Ms. Avalos missed the vote for agenda item 6.A. and commented that she would have voted “yes” to item 6.A. if present at that time. She thanked everyone for their hard work and presentations, including Dr. Hernandez, Ms. Erina Cowart. She shared that she nominated Mr. Gerardo Murillo, Custodian-Night, for the San Diego County School Boards Association (SDCSBA) 18th Annual "Honoring Our Own" Awards and won. She thanked everyone who was present at the meeting. She wished everyone a good night.

#### **14. ADJOURNMENT**

Board President, Barbara Avalos, adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

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Clerk of the Governing Board

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Secretary to the Governing Board