



**POWAY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
AT A REGULAR MEETING**

April 8, 2021
District Office Community Room

CLOSED SESSION

Board President Ginger Couvrette called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. to receive public comment on the closed session agenda items. There were no public comments, and all Board members convened to closed session in the Board Conference Room. The closed session was adjourned at 5:00 p.m., and Board members reconvened in the Community Room to begin their regular meeting and relay any reportable action taken during closed session.

REGULAR MEETING

1.0 CALL TO ORDER – PUBLIC SESSION

2.0 CLOSED SESSION

- 2.1** Conference with Legal Counsel Pending/Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Codes 54954.5, 54956.9, 54956.9(a), 54956.9(d)(2) or (3), 54956.9(d)(1) or (4), and 54956.9(e)(3)
- a.** Name of case: *Sanford v. Poway Unified School District*, Superior Court
Case No. 37-2019-00003926-CU-PO-CTL
Legal Counsel: David A. Veljovich, Esq.
 - b.** *A.A., et al. v. Gavin Newsom, et al.*; SD Superior Court Case No. 37-2021-00007536
Legal Counsel: Mark R. Bresee
 - c.** Case No. ADR-02262021
 - d.** Case No. OAH-2020110709
 - e.** Case No. OAH-2021010770
- 2.2** Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation Pursuant to Government Codes 54954.5, 54956.9, 54956.9(d)(2) or (3), and 54956.9(d)(4), 54956.9(e)(2)-(5), 54957, and 54957.1
- 2.3** Pupil Personnel – Student Expulsion(s), Disciplinary Matter(s), and Other Confidential Student Matters Pursuant to Education Codes 35146, 48900(c), 48912, 49070, and 54957
- 2.4** Negotiations – PFT, PSEA Unit I and Unit II, Management/Confidential Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6
- a.** Agent Negotiator: James Jimenez
- 2.5** Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Resignation/Nonreelection Pursuant to Government Codes 54954.5(e), and 54957

- 2.6 Public Employee Appointment/Employment Pursuant to Government Code 54957
- 2.7 Conference with Real Property Negotiator Pursuant to Government Code 54956.8
 - a. **Real Property:** Approximately 11.23 Acres of land located at Four Gee Road; APN 678-070-25 (“Property”).

Negotiating Parties: Poway Unified School District, real property negotiator Ron Little, Associate Superintendent, Business Support Services.

3.0 RECONVENE / CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.1 Board President Ginger Couvrette reconvened the meeting in Public Session at 6:03 p.m. and invited everyone to join as she led the salute to the flag.

3.2 Report Out of Closed Session

2.1-a: Clerk Patel reported that in the matter of Conference with Legal Counsel Pending/Existing Litigation, **Name of case: *Sanford v. Poway Unified School District, Superior Court Case No. 37-2019-00003926-CU-PO-CTL***. On a motion by Ms. O’Connor-Ratcliff and a second by Dr. Sytsma, the Board voted to approve a settlement agreement to resolve a claim and release the District from all claims and liability pertaining to the matter.

Ayes: Couvrette, Patel, O’Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Abstain: Zane. Motion carried, 4-0.

2.1-c: Clerk Patel reported that in the matter of Conference with Legal Counsel Pending/Existing Litigation, **Case No. ADR-02262021**, on a motion by Mr. Zane and a second by Dr. Sytsma, the Board voted to approve the final settlement.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O’Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

2.1-d: Clerk Patel reported that in the matter of Conference with Legal Counsel Pending/Existing Litigation, **Case No. OAH-2020110709**, on a motion by Mr. Zane and a second by Ms. O’Connor-Ratcliff, the Board voted to approve the final settlement.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O’Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

2.1-e: Clerk Patel reported that in the matter of Conference with Legal Counsel Pending/Existing Litigation, **Case No. OAH-2021010770**, on a motion by Mr. Zane and a second by Dr. Sytsma, the Board voted to approve the final settlement.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O’Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

There was no other reportable action taken in closed session.

3.3 Members in Attendance

All Board members were in attendance, including Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

3.4 Welcome to Public

Student Board Member Emily Bylsma welcomed the public and offered instructions on the procedure for addressing the Board during the Public Comments segment of the meeting.

3.5 Approval of Agenda/Sequence

On a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Dr. Patel, the agenda/sequence was approved as presented with item 11.1 moved by staff to be heard prior to item 6.0 on the agenda. Preferential vote Aye by Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

4.0 ORAL PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Student Board Representatives

Student Board representatives Sophie Chittle from Poway High School, Kody Mongold from Westview High School, Mona Zheng from Del Sur Elementary School, and Lily Paez from Los Penasquitos Elementary School reported on events and activities at their respective schools.

4.2 Public Comments

PUSD has moved to live public comments (via Zoom) and is no longer accepting written comments to be read aloud at the meeting. If you wish to address the Board directly during the meeting, fill out a public speaker request form: bit.ly/PUSDSpeakerRequestForm.

The speaker request form must be submitted during the following times on the day of the Board Meeting:

- Closed Session Public Speaker Requests: 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Open Session Public Speaker Requests: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Upon submission of the form, you will receive instructions on how to join via Zoom or by telephone. **Individual speakers are limited to 3-minutes, and there is a 15-minute time limit per topic.** When time is up, your microphone will be muted.

To Submit Written Comments:

If you wish to provide written comments as part of the record, you may submit your comments to bit.ly/PUSDWrittenComments. **Written comments will not be read aloud during the meeting, but will be provided to the Board Members.** Once the Board Agenda is posted on the Monday prior to the Board Meeting, written comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on the day of the Board Meeting. Written comments are limited to 400 words. Please be advised that any communications directed to the Poway Unified School District, including Board members and District staff, are subject to disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act. Communications will not be edited for redactions, except in compliance with State law.

Public Comment: Erika Vanderspek spoke about racism.

4.3 AVID 8th Grade and Senior Standouts

This item was presented as a presentation and information item only.

4.4 Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Awards

This item was presented as a presentation and information item only.

5.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

5.1 Approval of Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of Minutes

5.2 Consent Calendar – Personnel Support Services

- a. Approval of Certificated Personnel Report No. 10-2021
- b. Approval of Classified Personnel Report No. 10-2021
- c. Approval of the Williams Settlement Quarterly Report for March 2021
- d. Approval of Resolution No. 46-2021 Entitled “Acknowledgment of National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week – May 3-7, 2021”
- e. Approval of Resolution No. 47.2021 Entitled “Acknowledgment of California Classified School Employee Week – May 16-22, 2021”
- f. Ratification of Offer of Voluntary Student Accident Insurance for 2021/2022 School Year
- g. Approval of Clinical Education Affiliation Agreement with California State University, San Marcos

5.3 Consent Calendar – Business Support Services

- a. Approval/Ratification of Contractual Services Report No. 09-2021
- b. Ratification of District Purchase Orders
- c. Ratification and Approval of District Commercial Warrants, Revolving Cash Fund Expenditures and Purchase Card Transactions for March 2021
- d. Approval of Resolution No. 43-2021 Entitled “Acknowledgment of School Bus Drivers’ Day April 27, 2021”
- e. Approval of Resolution No. 44-2021 Entitled “Acknowledgment of School Lunch Hero Day on May 7, 2021”
- f. Acknowledgement of Enrollment Report No. 6/2020-2021
- g. Authorization to Piggyback on a Bid Awarded by National Cooperation Purchasing Alliance
- h. Award Bid 2021-20 Two Way Portable Radio Equipment

5.4 Consent Calendar – Learning Support Services

- a. Approval of Resolution No. 45-2021 Entitled “California Adult Education Week April 18-24, 2021”
- b. Approval of San Diego County Office of Education Outdoor Education Program Fees and Charges 2021-2022
- c. Approval of 2021-2022 Science Outreach Program Field Trip Agreement
- d. Approval of Local Plan and San Diego County Office of Education and San Diego County Districts Plan for Serving Expelled Pupils 2021-2024

- e. Approval of Updated California School Boards Association (CSBA) Board Policy 6142.8 Comprehensive Health Education

5.5 Consent Calendar – Student Support Services

5.6 Consent Calendar – Technology and Innovation

- a. Authorization to Piggyback on a Bid Awarded by National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance

5.7 Consent Calendar – Superintendent

- a. Acceptance of Gift(s)

On a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Dr. Patel, the Consent Calendar was approved as presented.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

As approved in Agenda item 3.5 Agenda/Sequence, item 11.1 was heard prior to agenda item 6.0.

11.1 Appointment of Student Board Member to Serve During the 2021-2022 School Year

On a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Ms. O'Connor-Ratcliff, the Board approved the appointment of Winnie Xu to serve as the 2021-2022 Student Board Member and Sonia Somasundaram as the alternate if for some reason Winnie Xu cannot serve. Preferential vote Aye by Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

6.0 PERSONNEL SUPPORT SERVICES

6.1 Approval of Salary Allocation for New Classification – Behavioral Intervention Technician

On a motion by Ms. O'Connor-Ratcliff, and a second by Mr. Zane, the Board approved Salary Allocation for New Classification – Behavioral Intervention Technician as presented.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

7.0 BUSINESS SUPPORT SERVICES

8.0 LEARNING SUPPORT SERVICES

8.1 Proposed Adoption of Middle School Supplemental Texts – First Reading

This item was presented as first reading only.

8.2 Proposed Adoption of Elementary K-5 History/Social Science (H/SS) Instructional Program – First Reading

This item was presented as first reading only.

8.3 Poway Unified School District 2020-2021 Reopening Update

On a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Patel, the Board approved slide 26 staff recommendation #1: Approve the expansion of High School on-campus learning to 4-days per week through the remainder of the school year, June 18, 2021. Preferential vote Aye by Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

On a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Dr. Patel, the Board approved slide 26 staff recommendation #2: Approve the expansion of Middle School on-campus learning to 4-days per week effective April 19, through the remainder of the school year, June 18, 2021. Preferential vote Aye by Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

Following discussion, on a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Dr. Sytsma, the Board approved slide 27 staff recommendation #3: Approve Painted Rock Elementary to pilot the 4 hours and 10 minutes expanded elementary on-campus learning, effective April 20, 2021, through the remainder of the school year, June 18, 2021. Preferential vote Aye by Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

Following discussion, on a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Dr. Patel, the Board approved slide 27 staff recommendation #4: Approve the expansion of elementary on-campus learning to 4 hours and 10 minutes, effective April 26, 2021, through the remainder of the school year, June 18, 2021. Preferential vote Aye by Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

Following discussion, there was a general consensus among Board Members in support of the continued work for slide 28 staff recommendation #5: Approve learning plans, funding, and staffing for K-12 summer options scheduled June-July 2021 and slide 19, K-12 Summer Learning Offerings.

Public Comments: Danielle Allphin, Nichole Jones, and Jack Fleck gave public comments regarding the Poway Unified School District 2020-2021 Reopening Update.

8.4 Approval of Resolution No. 50-2021 Entitled "Expanded Reopening of Schools for the 2020-2021 School Year and the 2021-2022 School Year"

On a motion by Mr. Zane, and a second by Dr. Sytsma, the Board approved Resolution No. 50-2021 as presented. Preferential vote Aye by Student Board Member Emily Bylsma.

Ayes: Couvrette, Zane, Patel, O'Connor-Ratcliff, and Sytsma. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

9.0 STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

10.0 TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

As approved in Agenda item 3.5 Agenda/Sequence, item 11.1 was heard prior to agenda item 6.0.

11.0 SUPERINTENDENT

11.1 Appointment of Student Board Member to Serve During the 2021-2022 School Year

12.0 **REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

12.1 **Board Member Reports**

Board members reported on their activities and events attended since the previous meeting.

12.2 **Superintendent's Report**

The following updates on current issues and events were presented:

- Dr. Kim Phelps spoke about the California School Public Relations Association (CalSPRA) recognizing PUSD's Chief Communication Officer Christine Paik and Communications Specialist Olivia Schouten with five "Excellence in Communication" awards at the virtual state conference last month.
- Dr. Kim Phelps spoke about Black Mountain Middle School being one of only nine schools in San Diego honored as a California Distinguished School and Adobe Bluffs Elementary School has been selected as the 2021 "Impact Award" recipient for the Innovation in Education Awards by Classroom of the Future for their Mandarin Immersion and Foreign Language in Elementary School programs.

(a) **Student Recognition**

Accomplishments and awards earned by students were recognized.

(b) **Staff Recognition**

Accomplishments and awards earned by staff were recognized.

(c) **School Recognition**

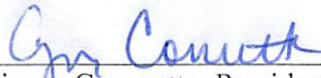
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13.0 **CLOSED SESSION**

There were no additional items discussed in Closed Session.

14.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.



Ginger Couvrette, President



Dr. Darshana Patel, Clerk



Dr. Marian Kim Phelps, Secretary

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