



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 30, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

Members Present in Person: Mr. Garcia and Mr. Long
Members Present by Phone: Ms. Cadman, Ms. Karsch and Ms. Taylor
Others Present: Dr. Judson, Ms. Sprague, Mr. Claflin, and Mr. Embleton

1. Call to order

President Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. stating this meeting is by video and telephonic webinar, and that microphones for the participating public will be kept on mute for all portions of the meeting with the exception of the public comment and public hearing periods. When the meeting was called to order, President Garcia performed an attendance roll call wherein Member Karsch, Member Taylor and Member Cadman, indicated they were present by video and Member Long and Member Garcia indicated they were present in person. President Garcia announced that a roll call vote would be taken and recorded on each motion made at this meeting and that all open sessions of the board meeting are audio recorded and may capture sounds of those participating in the meeting. President Garcia asked those participating in the meeting to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comment

Pursuant to Board Policy 9324, Board Minutes and Recordings: "The minutes shall reflect the names of those individuals who comment during the meeting's public comment period as well as the topics they address."

- A. Comments on agenda items.
- Rita Walia commented via email regarding reopening schools.

President Garcia requested to the Board of Trustees to take a 10 minute recess due to technical difficulties, on a motion by Member Karsch and seconded by Member Cadman, and carried by unanimous roll call vote, with all members present voting yes. Recessed at 6:42 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 6:52 p.m.

- A. Comments on agenda items continued.
- Rita Afarian commented via email regarding school reopening and needs for special education students.
 - Stacie Roth commented via email regarding concerns for students with IEP's and reopening schools.
 - Mahbooba Hussaini commented via email regarding concerns for reopening schools and in favor of virtual learning.
 - Robert Ortiz Archila commented via telephonic webinar regarding community assistance needed with technology if distance learning.
 - Kimberly Burgraff commented via telephonic webinar regarding concerns with distance learning.
 - Lisa Yang commented via telephonic webinar commented regarding concerns with distance learning.
 - Maya Bustami commented via telephonic regarding concerns for reopening schools.
 - Rose Lee commented via telephonic regarding equity for all students and in favor of reopening schools.

3. Review / Adopt Agenda

The Board of Trustees adopted the agenda as presented on a motion by Member Long, seconded by Member Taylor, and carried by a unanimous roll call vote, with all members present voting yes.

4. Superintendent's Presentation

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Superintendent Judson shared comments on the opening of school for 2020-21. He shared three planning committees, composed of teachers, administrators and classified employees have met and provided feedback and recommendations on the three learning plans: Virtual Learning, Hybrid Schedule and Healthy Work/Learning Environment.

Michele Jacks, Etiwanda Teachers Association President, shared her gratitude and appreciation regarding the collaboration on working with the Board Members, Cabinet, Administrators and teachers in regards to prioritizing student learning, student safety and student social and emotional developments as it relates to the three learning plans.

Superintendent Judson shared the instructional model options for school opening: Hybrid Model, Virtual Learning Model and Home School Model.

Jeannie Tivolazzi, Director of LCAP and Communications, shared the second reopening survey results for the 2020-21 school year, which included possible reopening scenarios, school start date scenarios and child care scenarios.

- Member Garcia asked how many families right now utilize our child care. Ms.Tivolazzi stated she would need to research that and will follow-up.
- Member Karsch asked if they will be hearing details about the models. Superintendent Judson stated that yes, there is about 70 more slides to share with the Board.

Laura Rowland, Director of Personnel and Pupil Services, shared the draft Healthy Learning and Work Environment committee guidelines.

Superintendent Judson shared the 2020-21 Instructional Days / Minutes with the passage of the new budget and the trailer bill legislations that supported the budget. Superintendent Judson shared that the school start date is an ongoing discussion.

- Member Karsch asked the Hybrid Model as presented, has either two full days or 4 partial days, in both models, would that 5th day count towards the instructional day? Superintendent Judson stated yes, teachers would need to assign work independently or virtually, based upon the time value it could count for that 5th day.

Superintendent Judson, shared the Hybrid Model committee recommendations for intermediate school students, elementary students, TK and K students, special education and additional instructional support.

- Member Karsch asked if we will continue using the Google platform, and on the off days or Mondays, will the teachers provide interaction like distance learning? Superintendent Judson, summarized that in both models the teachers are teaching all day long for four days with students and it could be a combination of both packet work or online.
- Member Karsch asked if we went with the virtual Hybrid model regardless of the two day or four day model, families will still be given the option to integrate independent study/EASE instead of the hybrid model? Superintendent Judson replied we are recommending offering all three models to the board.
- Member Garcia asked how do you envision the interaction of the one on one aides with SDC students and social distancing. Superintendent Judson stated we need make sure we provide staff with additional PPE's, in terms of face masks, gloves, covering and coveralls. Member Garcia asked if this can be added to committee work to update at the next meeting. Superintendent Judson stated yes.

Superintendent Judson shared the strengths and concerns regarding each of the hybrid models.

Charlayne Sprague, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction/Pupil Services, shared the Virtual Learning model used the survey data and family feedback to update the Distance Learning Plan. Charlayne Sprague shared information regarding childcare on how we can provide childcare for our employees offering a summer camp option and stated the Hybrid Model will pose some challenges with space availability in childcare. Charlayne Sprague addressed the childcare question from Member Garcia earlier, stating 15% of families needed childcare or about 2100 children, the families in the survey would amount to about 894 children that will need childcare.

Doug Clafin, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, shared the considerations and challenges for Grab-and-Go lunch for the different learning models. Mr. Clafin also shared the transportation considerations and challenges with routing and costs with the distance learning models.

4. **Superintendent's Presentation (continued)**

Damita Walton, Director of Pupil Services, shared plans for the mental health needs of students and staff upon return either in person or virtually.

President Garcia asked the Board of Trustees for comments.

- Member Karsch asked about survey data, as parents were preferable to half-day Hybrid Model, did we have the same results with the teachers' survey? Ms. Tavalazzi replied, yes.
- Member Taylor asked if we made accommodations regarding masks, as a lot of learning happens by viewing a teacher's face and a child's face? Laura Rowland stated we do have access to clear face shields to be utilized by teachers as needed.
- Member Taylor asked how we plan on keeping masks on small children. Laura Rowland responded that it will be a process we have to work through. Small children may need to have a break and activities that will have to be built into the day.
- Member Taylor stated she wanted clarity on if we will be offering EASE/homeschool option, as we are offering one type of hybrid and then will make a decision at our next board meeting as to which type of hybrid learning model that will look like, either half day or two day a week. Are we also offering distance or virtual learning families that choose this model or will they need to select an EASE option if they choose to not to return. Superintendent Judson stated it will be a Board decision and stated our recommendation will most likely include three different options. They could select the Virtual Model, EASE Model or Hybrid Model. Superintendent Judson also shared about the masks. In the a.m./p.m. model, it is a shorter period of time for kids to be on campus during the day. It's a 3 hour span versus the 6+ hours span. It maybe easier for some of the younger kids to be able to follow the social distancing. We know it will be a teacher role to enforce safety hygiene.
- Member Taylor asked if staff will be offered the option to be in virtual distancing learning only? If our EASE program expands, can some of them move if they are nervous about coming into a class? Terry Embleton, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel, stated some staff have shared their concerns that they are over 65 and have some underlying health conditions that would prevent them from coming back, and these are accommodations that we could possibly provide for our staff and be handled on a case by case scenario.
- Member Taylor asked what about our specialized programs, like band and how would we continue that program. Superintendent Judson shared that we will need to work that out with our instrumental music staff, either have kids meet virtually or come early, or late.
- Member Taylor asked, assuming those activities would be outside of the scheduled hybrid period of time, because we are offering no electives? Superintendent Judson answered yes, we want to focus on the core curriculum areas as much as we can. We may find creative solutions to have face to face band time while on campus.
- Member Cadman stated she had no questions and commented she was happy to hear they have a parental choice. It's very important that the parents realize that they are going to be choosing the situation that is best for their family and they are responsible for the individual choice of their kids' education. Thank you for the choices.
- Member Long offered no comments.
- President Garcia commented relating to the scheduling of families, one of option was defaulting to alphabetical order and wanted to promote the option choice with the possibility of parents having children in multiple schools, so navigating this will be difficult and really wanted to comment that parents be given the choice.

- B. After discussion, the Board of Trustees took action to add a regular board meeting on Thursday, July 9, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., on a motion by Member Taylor and seconded by Member Cadman and carried by a unanimous roll call vote, with all members present voting yes.

5. **Board/Staff Comments or Suggested items for discussion at Upcoming Meetings.**

*=Attachments

- Member Taylor asked if the next board meeting will be a zoom meeting or at the board room? Superintendent Judson stated the board could do whatever they would like. The board could be physically present, in one room, while socially distancing. However, the public could not attend. It would still be a telephonic webinar format for the public
- Superintendent Judson thanked the tech staff for resolving the 100 person capacity issue of tonight’s zoom meeting and stated we will need to think about the format for the next public meeting.
- Member Cadman asked about seeing if we could revisit the August board meeting dates.
- President Garcia thanked everybody for redesigning the educational system, everything from child nutrition, transportation, child care and core instructions and commending all the committee members for all the work they have done.

6. **Closed Session**

The Board of Trustees adjourned to Closed Session at 8:49 p.m. regarding item A

- A. Conference with Labor Negotiator
(Government Code 54957.6)
District Negotiator: Terry Embleton, assistant superintendent of personnel services
Bargaining Unit: Etiwanda Teachers Association

7. **Reconvene to Open Session**

The Board of Trustees reconvened into Open session at 9:15 p.m.

- A. No action to report from closed session

8. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m., on a motion by Member Long, seconded by Member Taylor and carried by unanimous roll call vote, with all members present voting yes.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 9, 2020.



Respectfully Submitted



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